

Constantino, Mike

From: Lawrence, John [jlawrence@nxstage.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2017 11:34 AM
To: Constantino, Mike
Subject: [External] Re: follow-up to your letter

Hi Mr. Constantino,

Thank you for your email.

The 19 in-center patients you refer to (as reported by Kristin G our office to your office on a monthly basis) all have prescription more than 3x/wk (e.g., 4x, 5x or 6x/wk). As stated in our CON application, our non-traditional approach to dialysis includes of "4-6 times-a-week in-center hemodialysis." This more frequent center dialysis allows patients, where medically justified according to their physician's prescription, to enjoy the clinical benefits of more frequent therapy even if, for a number of reasons, they are unable to dialyze at home. Consistent with the conditions of our permit, not-- and have never-- treated patients on a 3x/wk prescription

Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns

Best,

John

On Wed, Aug 9, 2017 at 8:13 AM, Constantino, Mike <Mike.Constantino@illinois.gov> wrote:

John:

We received your letter dated August 4, 2017. Our concern is with the number of patients that you folks have been reporting as receiving temporary dialysis at the facility. As of June 30, 2017 you folks reported 19 patients receiving dialysis three times a week at the facility. That number appears high. Is this normal?

Thanks

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