

## **Study shows CDC intervention tools decrease infection rates for hemodialysis patients**

Bloodstream infections are the second leading cause of death for hemodialysis patients. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) prevention tools, also called the Core Interventions, provide dialysis facilities with a guide on how to prevent bloodstream infections. A recent study found that dialysis facilities that implemented CDC's infection prevention tools such as improving staff hygiene and increasing patient education on better catheter maintenance, had a 44 percent decrease in bloodstream infections for patients. These resources are free and available to anyone on the CDC's website.

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