

WAC 246-826-302 Minimum training standards for mandatory hemodialysis technician training programs. (1) Administration and organization: The hemodialysis technician training must be provided by a licensed health care practitioner, as required by RCW 18.135.020. The health care facility or health care practitioner shall be responsible for the development, implementation, and evaluation of the training program, and clinical experiences.

(2) Training program record retention requirements: The training program shall maintain the orientation checklists and any appropriate training documentation while the hemodialysis technician is employed with the health care facility or health care practitioner.

(3) The training program for new hemodialysis technicians must be a minimum of six to eight weeks. The hemodialysis technician shall complete training in both didactic and supervised clinical instruction. The training program shall (a) extend over a period of time sufficient to provide essential, sequenced learning experiences, which enables the trainee to develop competence and shall (b) show evidence of an organized pattern of instruction consistent with principles of learning and sound educational practices.

(4) Supervised clinical experience must provide opportunities for the application of theory and for the achievement of stated objectives in a patient care setting. Training through supervised clinical experience must include clinical learning experiences to develop the skills required by hemodialysis technicians to provide safe patient care. The preceptor must be physically accessible to the hemodialysis technician when the hemodialysis technician is in the patient care area.

(5) The dialysis facility may accept documentation of a hemodialysis technician's successful completion of training objectives in another dialysis facility or accredited academic institution if it is substantially equivalent to the core competencies described in WAC 246-826-303. The dialysis facility that accepts the documentation assumes responsibility for confirming the core competency of the hemodialysis technician.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.135.030 and 18.135.020. WSR 02-06-115, § 246-826-302, filed 3/6/02, effective 4/6/02.]