

4723-23-01 **Definitions.**

For purposes of this chapter the following definitions apply:

(A) "Delegation" means the transfer of responsibility for the performance of a selected task or activity from a licensed health care professional authorized to perform the task or activity to an individual who does not have the authority to perform the task or activity.

(B) "Dialysis care" means performing and monitoring dialysis procedures which include initiating or discontinuing dialysis, drawing blood, administering medications authorized by division (C) of section 4723.72 of the Revised Code, and responding to complications that arise in conjunction with dialysis.

(C) "Dialysis technician intern certificate" means a certificate issued to an individual who has not passed the dialysis technician certification examination but meets the requirements set forth in section 4723.76 of the Revised Code.

(D) "Dialysis training program" means a program approved by the board according to rule 4723-23-07 of the Administrative Code that consists of not less than three hundred twenty clock hours of instruction including both of the following:

(1) A minimum of one hundred clock hours of theoretical instruction in a classroom setting; and

(2) A minimum of two hundred twenty clock hours of supervised clinical experience.

(E) "Discontinue" means to cease or stop.

(F) "Inactive status" means the status of the certificate of an individual who has made a written request that the board place the certificate on inactive status. An individual with an inactive certificate does not hold a current, valid certificate and is not authorized to provide dialysis care.

(G) "Initiate" means to start or to begin.

(H) "Monitor" means to collect objective and subjective data and observe the dialysis patient for signs or symptoms of any change in physiological or psychosocial status or complications related to dialysis, to check or regulate the performance of the machines used in performing dialysis, and to report any irregularity to the physician or licensed nurse as appropriate.

(I) "Ohio certified dialysis technician" or "OCDT" means an individual who holds a certificate to practice as a dialysis technician issued by the board according to section 4723.75 of the Revised Code.

(J) "Lapsed" means the status of a certificate of an individual who did not meet all the

requirements of certificate renewal, and who did not request that the board place the certificate on inactive status prior to the renewal deadline.

(K) "Site visit" means an announced or unannounced visit to a dialysis training program by a board representative to determine whether the program meets or maintains the minimum standards required by the board.

(L) "Supervise" or "supervision" means initial and ongoing direction, procedural guidance, observation, and evaluation; and, except when dialysis care is being performed in the patient's home, requires a dialysis technician to be in the immediate presence of a physician or registered nurse.

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