



Total number of patients observed during audit: \_\_\_\_\_

X. Total hand hygiene opportunities observed: \_\_\_\_\_

Y. Total successful hand hygiene opportunities: \_\_\_\_\_

Hand hygiene adherence = Y / X

Please report Y & X monthly

**GUIDE TO HAND HYGIENE OPPORTUNITIES IN HEMODIALYSIS**

Hand Hygiene Opportunity category (1 through 5)	Specific Examples
<b>1. Prior to aseptic procedures</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prior to cannulation or accessing catheter</li> <li>• Prior to performing catheter site care</li> <li>• Prior to parenteral medication preparation</li> <li>• Prior to administering IV medications or infusions</li> </ul>
<b>2. Prior to touching a patient</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When moving from machine to patient</li> <li>• Prior to entering station to provide care to patient</li> <li>• Prior to contact with vascular access site</li> <li>• Prior to adjusting or removing cannulation needles</li> </ul>
<b>3. After body fluid exposure risk</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After exposure to any blood or body fluids</li> <li>• After contact with other contaminated fluids (e.g., spent dialysate)</li> <li>• After handling used dialyzers, blood tubing, or prime buckets</li> <li>• After performing wound care or dressing changes</li> </ul>
<b>4. After touching a patient</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When leaving station after performing patient care</li> <li>• After removing gloves</li> </ul>
<b>5. After touching patient surroundings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After touching dialysis machine</li> <li>• After touching other items within dialysis station</li> <li>• After using chairside computers for charting</li> <li>• When leaving station</li> <li>• After removing gloves</li> </ul>

*Please make note of the following during this session.*

	Yes	No	Not applicable	Comments
There is a sufficient supply of alcohol-based hand sanitizer				
There is a sufficient supply of soap at handwashing stations				
There is a sufficient supply of paper towels at handwashing stations				
There is visible and easy access to hand washing sinks/soap or hand sanitizer				

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS / OBSERVATIONS:**