

Hospice Eligibility

Renal Disease

A patient with renal disease may be eligible for hospice if:

- Refuses dialysis or renal transplant
- Level of serum creatinine is elevated and continues to rise

Symptoms of renal disease include:

- Confusion, uncontrolled nausea and vomiting, itchy skin, restlessness
- Low output of urine
- Elevated level of potassium despite treatment
- Uncontrollable fluid retention

Eligibility increases if a patient also suffers from:

- COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease)
- Advanced heart or liver disease
- Sepsis is present
- Is older than 75
- Malnutrition
- Gastrointestinal bleeding



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