COMPETENCY TESTING: EVALUATING PATIENT'S READINESS TO GO HOME
Start planning for Independence the 1st day!

The Simple Act of Disclosing Clear Expectations will set the ground work for success.
☑ Each of our home programs have:
☑ Training Checklists
☑ Skills Checklists
☑ Post test/exams

FORMAL EXPECTATIONS
EXAMPLES OF PERITONEAL DIALYSIS CHECKLIST & TESTING
EXAMPLES OF HOME HEMODIALYSIS TESTING AND CHECKLIST
NXSTAGE ONLINE TRAINING HAS:
CUSTOMIZED TRAINING SCHEDULE (CMS LIKES IT!)
PATIENT LEARNING CHECKPOINTS TO PASS
WITH CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION
☑ SUPPORT BEFORE GOING HOME:
☑ BIOMED TO THEIR HOME TO ASSESS WATER AND DRAIN OPTIONS IF HHD
☑ RN HOME VISIT TO ASSESS WHERE SUPPLIES CAN BE STORED AND IF ENVIRONMENT CLEAN
☑ WATER TESTING

OBSERVING IF THE HOME IS READY
Learner must be show physical readiness:
A) Pain
B) Fatigue
C) Fear and/or anxiety
D) Support system
E) Frame of mind e.g. Risk Taking Behavior

OBSERVING THE PATIENT FOR READINESS
Initiative & Motivation
A strong desire to take responsibility for their care
Following training safety & physicians guidelines
Problem solving skills
Proactive, positive attitude

OBSERVING THE PATIENT FOR READINESS
- Observe return demonstrations to see whether patient has learned the necessary psychomotor skills for a task
- Ask the patient to restate instructions in his or her own words
- Ask the patient questions to see whether there are areas of instructions that need reinforcing or re-teaching
- Employ teach back also called the “show me” method
MORE THAN JUST:
CAN THEY COMPLETE A SET OF TASKS
ARE ALL THE CHECK MARKS AND DATES ON THE DOCUMENTS
DID THEY ANSWER A SUFFICIENT % OF THE QUESTIONS ON THE TEST RIGHT

YOUR BEST NURSING JUDGEMENT
HOME
DIALYSIS—
IS OUR
FUTURE
QUESTIONS?

I do sympathize with you, sir, but I’m afraid it cannot be viewed as ‘carry on’ luggage.