

## PUBLIC NOTICE



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### Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands  
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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### “Changes to Dialysis Policies in Response to COVID-19”

Effective immediately and until further notice, in light of the current events and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendation against the threat of COVID-19, the Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation (CHCC) Dialysis Center is taking precautionary and safety measures to ensure that patients remain healthy and protected during their treatment. At this time, we are temporarily not allowing visitors and caregivers to remain chairside during treatment unless the patient is non-ambulatory and has a medical condition in which a patient becomes totally dependent on caregivers for their basic needs. We ask that caregivers wait patiently outside the treatment area until the treatment is completed. Other visitors while a patient is in active treatment are currently not allowed, most especially for patients in isolation.

**Patients, you are also asked to call the Dialysis Center ahead of time at 236-8303/4 if you have a new cough, fever, shortness of breath, or any other symptoms that are unusual for you. You will still be dialyzed but we will be prepared for and give instructions for your arrival and for your caregiver.**

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this time.

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