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## FACT SHEET 027

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## RENAL DIALYSIS

Renal Dialysis can be provided as emergency health care in Spain, as well as other EU countries, under the existing reciprocal health arrangements. A current European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) which has replaced the E111 will have to be produced on the first day of treatment at the Spanish Renal Unit, unless the patient is attending a private renal care unit and has either private medical insurance or pays for their treatment up front.

The Renal Units tend to be very busy so visitors to Spain from the UK must make their arrangements for dialysis **before they leave the UK** to ensure that they have a definite reservation in a Dialysis Unit. They should also obtain the Spanish form P10 prior to leaving the UK. Their UK Renal Unit will help with this and provide details of the various Renal Dialysis Units plus other relevant details as appropriate.

The information given on the other side of the Fact Sheet is a copy of the letter sent out by the renal unit, operated by ASHDO S.A, located in the San Jaime Hospital, Torrevieja, Alicante.

The letter is intended as a general guide because although it applies to patients wishing to have treatment at the San Jaime Hospital, instructions and requirements may vary between different Renal Units.

To the best of our knowledge this information was correct on the date given below. However, rules and regulations can and do change so it is advisable to check with our office that this fact sheet has not been superseded. JBH Apr 08

**This is a copy of an instruction letter supplied to the Help Association on 2 April 2008**

**From: ASHDO S.A.** Dialysis Unit

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To:

From:

Re:

Dear Mr. or Mrs.

You have requested place in our clinic in order to receive treatment of hemodialysis. In order to admit you as a provisional patient, it is required: -

The cost of the treatment must be accepted by the sanitary insurance company or hospital of origin, it is crucial that you bring your European Health Card (EHIC) on the first day of the hemodialysis treatment.

**Without this document we can not assist you in our unit. –**

Patient's File: name, surname, date of birth, unit of habitual dialysis (telephones, fax and name of the doctor in charge) address and telephones in Spain.

Actualized clinical report of your habitual center, with the following information:

Aetiology of the renal failure

Pathologies (medical background)

Current clinical status

Allergies

Dialysis scheme: dialysate composition (calcium/potassium), type of vascular access and date of realization, type of needles, days and hours of hemodialysis, anticoagulation, dry weight.

Laboratory data analysis (last samples available)

Medication during the dialysis

Habitual medical treatment

Due to organisative matters **we can offer a maximum of 4hrs** for each dialysis session. This item must be accepted by the doctor in charge at origin.

- **Recent serology: Ag HVB, HVC and VIH (maximum 45 days). We will not accept patients with serology done more than 45 days before the acceptance.**
- **We do not treat Hepatitis B and VIH positive patients.**
- If you receive treatment with erythropoietin, calcitriol or iron during the hemodialysis session, you should **bring it with you** from your center.
- If the patient requires transport, the patient should advise in advance and in writing near the holiday address and European Health card.

When we received **all the required information** we will send you a fax with the confirmation of your turn. **Bring this fax of confirmation** on your first day of dialysis with us.

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