

## Documenting your Goals of Care

**Effective Date: March 27, 2020**

Dear Patient,

In light of the serious outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, we are asking you to reflect on your advance care planning: wishes, goals and fears. We understand you have been faced with many changes over the past days to weeks – thank you for your patience and understanding as we strive to provide the best possible care according to a thoughtful, organized plan developed by your multi-disciplinary team of renal care providers.

Those of you living with chronic kidney disease are potentially more vulnerable to severe complications of COVID-19 infection. This is why it's important for your care wishes to be documented clearly now, should your health status change during this time.

Over the next few weeks we will be approaching you to update your wishes in the Medical Order Scope of Treatment (MOST), which is a plan of care reflecting your treatment and care requests. Having conversations regarding what matters most to you through your illness journey is part of our high standard of care. Specifically, this refers to ensuring your wishes regarding the level and intensity of treatment are expressed, heard, respected and clearly documented.

These are uncertain times, but you can be certain, and reassured, that your renal care team will continue to support you through whatever challenges lie ahead.

Respectfully yours,

Your Renal Care Provider Team