



## DAYLife – Dialysis At Yours, Life Fulfilled

### Introduction:

Welcome to August’s bulletin for the [DAYLife programme](#), the KQuIP improvement programme with the overall aim of increasing the number of people receiving renal replacement therapy at home. Please do get involved in sending through content, feedback and ideas for this bulletin to the contact details below.

### Renal units across the East and West Midlands come together to improve access to dialysis at home:



Despite national professional guidance and patient groups stating more people wish to dialyse at home, there has been little consistent progress towards this in the last ten years. In January 2019, ten renal units across the East and West Midlands began working together to address this unmet need, [launching the national quality improvement project, DAYLife](#).

Teams from across the East and West Midlands are finding and testing their own solutions, whilst developing quality improvement and leadership skills across the multi-professional teams. A learning and sharing event took place in May 2019, bringing renal teams, patients and partner organisations back together to share progress, challenges and successes and plan for the next four months of the project. [Read the full event report and view the slide-sets from the day here](#).

### For participating renal units – this month in focus:

#### Reflecting on the May event

Thank you to all attendees for their contributions and energy at the DAYLife regional event in May. We would appreciate your feedback and comments on the event. The short survey below should take no longer than 5 minutes.

[Complete the online evaluation here](#)

#### September 11<sup>th</sup> – ideas please!

We are now nearly half way through the first year of the programme – the September event is a chance to share, to learn and to plan. What do you feel you need support in? Where are your biggest challenges? What would you like to hear from other teams? Tell us what you want from the September 11<sup>th</sup> event here and we can tailor it to you.

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#### Measurement

[View the unit measurement RAG update to see whether your monthly DAYLife data is due for submission.](#)

#### Patient and staff education and training – pooling our resources



Has your unit got any patient or staff home dialysis education materials? This could include leaflets, posters, DVDs, slides, or training session agendas. If the answer is **YES**, please share them with Catherine (below) who is compiling resources to support teams that want to improve their home dialysis education programme. Thank you!

### Dates for your diary:

- **5<sup>th</sup> September**  
How to use LifeQI training webinar – [register here](#)
- **11<sup>th</sup> September**  
DAYLife training and sharing event - [register here](#)
- **25<sup>th</sup>–27<sup>th</sup> September**  
12<sup>th</sup> annual dialysis conference – [register here](#)

### Further reading:

- [Listening to people: Nick’s story](#)
- [Tackling unequal access to home dialysis in the UK](#)

### Keep in touch:

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