

# Indications for Dialysis

## Acute Indications:

Volume overload refractory to diuresis

Severe hyperkalemia ( $K > 6.5$  mEq/L) or rapidly rising  $K^+$  levels

Severe metabolic acidosis ( and  $pH < 7.1$ )

Uremia (pericarditis, uremia, unexplained mental status decline)

Toxic overdose of a dialyzable drug (Barbiturates, Isoniazid, Salicylates, Methanol etc)

## Chronic Indications:

CKD stage 5,  $GFR < 15$

## Modalities:

Intermittent Hemodialysis (IHD): access-> AV fistula/graft

Peritoneal Dialysis (PD): access ->peritoneal catheter.

## Timing:

3 times weekly, on alternate days, (MWF or TThSa) is the recommendation for intermittent hemodialysis (IHD).

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