

**NEPHROLOGY**  
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- Evaluate all referred patients on admission or initial consultation, develop a differential diagnosis, and initiate a plan of evaluation and management.
- Evaluate patients with end stage renal disease or acute kidney injury for need of renal replacement therapy. In those patients in whom RRT is required, select mode of therapy, write orders for dialysis and concomitant medications and manage complications.
- Evaluate nephrology clinic patients for kidney disease, hypertensive states, fluid and electrolyte disorders, develop a differential diagnosis, initiate a plan of evaluation and management and discuss with nephrology attending.
- Evaluate and manage patients with chronic kidney disease and initiate renal replacement therapy when necessary.
- Evaluate patients with chronic kidney disease for kidney transplant.
- Evaluate and manage patients with renal transplants.
- Evaluate patients for apheresis procedures, write orders and manage complications.
- Evaluate patients for renal biopsy, write orders, perform the procedure under the supervision of an attending physician and manage subsequent hospital course and complications.
- Evaluate patients for central venous catheterization for dialysis access, write orders, perform procedure under the supervision of an attending physician and manage any subsequent complications.
- Manage patients with vascular access or peritoneal catheter issues due to end stage renal disease.

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- Manage patient with end stage renal disease in an outpatient dialysis unit.
- Attend all Division conferences.
- Document all patient care plans in the appropriate medical record.
- Discuss all patients of records with the appropriate nephrology attending of record.
- Adhere to all policies as outlined by the Graduate Medical Education office pertaining to residency training as well as to the Division of Nephrology policies regarding Fellowship training. The latter may be accessed at the following web link:  
<http://clinicaldepartments.musc.edu/medicine/divisions/nephrology/fellowship/index.htm>