## **Timeout Checklist for Hepatitis Verification Status**



## **New Starts**

This tool is intended to assist staff with the hepatitis verification process and does not supersede organizational policies and procedures

1. Patient identity verified?
Name verified:
$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No Comments:
Second identifier verified (e.g., birthdate, SS#)
Yes No Comments:
2. Consent for dialysis verified?
Yes No Comments:
3. Dialysis prescription verified?
Yes No Comments:
4. Vascular access verified?
$\square_{AVF}$ $\square_{AVG}$ $\square_{Catheter}$ Location:
5. Hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg) serology (within 30 days or per unit policy) verified?
HBsAg Positive - dialyze in isolation room and disinfect machine per unit policy
HBsAg Unknown
• <b>DO NOT</b> dialyze in a station or room used by known HBsAg-positive patients.
• If available, dialyze in a room that is not currently in use for <u>any</u> condition (preferred) OR
• dialyze at a station that provides the greatest physical separation from other patients.
• Obtain HBsAg testing and disinfect machine per unit policy for patients who are HBsAg-positive, pending
results.
LHBsAg Negative
6. Hepatitis C serology (within 30 days or per unit policy) verified?
Anti-HCV positive - Obtain HCV RNA (NAT) testing if viral load not known; disinfect machine per unit policy for
HCV positive patients if HCV viral load detectable or unknown.
Anti-HCV unknown - Obtain testing for anti-HCV status and disinfect machine per unit policy for patients who are
HCV positive, pending results.
Anti-HCV negative
Signatures - Primary and secondary verifiers are required
1.   Date:     2.   Date:
2 Date: