

Dear AAKP Member,

We are pleased to inform you about a virtual roundtable opportunity taking place that may be of interest to you.

HD CLEAN LLC would like to invite you to participate in a 60-minute roundtable discussion to discuss **perceptions of the risks involved in dialysis with a central venous catheter**, and in particular, the risks of bacterial contamination of the connections between the bloodlines and the catheter and the risk of the lines loosening and separating during treatment.

HD CLEAN LLC is a Service-disabled Veteran-owned small business devoted to developing a means of reducing the risks associated with dialysis. The organization's motto reflects its core intention: "Making Hemodialysis Safer". It was started by Colonel Terrence Jay O'Neil, MD in 2018 with two goals. The first is to develop simple, robust, inexpensive-to-manufacture and easy-to-use devices that increase dialysis safety, starting with the problems surrounding dialysis with a central venous catheter. The second goal is to develop, through collaboration with a nonprofit foundation, a comprehensive educational program for individuals with chronic kidney disease (CKD) to provide information on what kidney disease is, how it impacts the body, how individuals and their families can work with their healthcare team to reduce the risks for CKD progression and if progression can't be prevented, to make the appropriate interventions, at the right times, so their life goals and aspirations can be best met if dialysis or transplantation becomes necessary.

If you have personal experience – either currently receiving hemodialysis or continuous kidney replacement treatments with a central venous catheter or have received hemodialysis via a central venous catheter in the past – you may be eligible to participate in this discussion.

Please select your preferred date and time:

Option 1: Monday, February 27th from 4:00-5:00 pm Eastern Time

Option 2: Friday, March 3rd from 12:00-1:00 pm Eastern Time

If you are interested in joining this discussion group or have additional questions about the intent of the roundtable, please contact AAKP at research@aakp.org.

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Individuals who pre-register for the roundtable, are deemed eligible, and participate in the roundtable discussion, will receive a \$50 VISA e-gift card as a thank you from AAKP.

Thank you for your consideration and willingness to participate in the group discussion. We look forward to seeing you virtually at this roundtable!

Sincerely,

Diana Clynes, Executive Director

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