



# OSCE Checklist: Dialysis Counselling

Opening the consultation		
1	Wash your hands and don PPE if appropriate	
2	Introduce yourself to the patient including your name and role	
3	Confirm the patient's name and date of birth	
4	Clarify the purpose of the consultation	
5	Assess the patient's ideas, concerns and expectations	
Patient history		
6	Ask about history of current condition requiring dialysis (including symptoms and current/past treatments)	
Dialysis explanation		
7	Explain what dialysis is and how it works	
8	Explain there are two main types of dialysis	
Haemodialysis		
9	Explain what haemodialysis is and how it works	
10	Explain the options for vascular access	
11	Explain the advantages of haemodialysis	
12	Explain the disadvantages and potential complications of haemodialysis	
Peritoneal dialysis		
13	Explain what peritoneal dialysis is and how it works	
14	Advise the patient a peritoneal dialysis catheter is required	
15	Explain the two main types of peritoneal dialysis (CAPD vs APD)	
16	Explain the advantages of peritoneal dialysis	
17	Explain the disadvantages and potential complications of peritoneal dialysis	
Closing the consultation		
18	Summarise the key points	
19	Provide leaflet or advice on where to find more information	
20	Thank the patient for their time	
21	Dispose of PPE appropriately and wash your hands	
Key communication skills		
22	Active listening	
23	Summarising	
24	Signposting	