

➡ Entrance Conference: ▲

Purpose - To communicate with facility administrative personnel and determine the data-driven focus areas of the survey for patient care/management and QAPI review, based on facility DFR and current facility outcomes data

Explain purpose and timeline for the survey

Ask the administrative person the facility-specific questions from the “Entrance Conference Questions” worksheet.

Obtain documentation of current patient-specific and facility clinical outcomes data from the *Entrance Conference Materials List*.

Review and discuss with the administrative person the current patient outcomes data submitted.

Compare the current facility outcome averages listed in the “% Met Goal” column from the Clinical Outcomes Tables to the applicable “**Threshold for % Met Goal**” on the Clinical Outcomes Thresholds Table 1 in the “ESRD Core Survey Data Tool” for the current fiscal year.

Ask about actions being taken for improvement in the areas where these thresholds are not currently achieved.

Determine the data-driven focus areas for the survey (clinical areas for review): The data-driven focus areas for the survey should be the clinical areas where improvement is currently needed.

*Discuss the selection of the data-driven focus areas for the survey with the administrative person, to engage them in the process. **Note** if the survey team selected an area as a preliminary data-driven focus, based on the DFR information, but the facility has attained improvements and are currently meeting the thresholds listed in the Clinical Outcomes Thresholds Table 1 for that area, **DO NOT** include that as a data-driven focus area for review.*

