## **Questions for Stakeholder Meeting CHT Training Program Regulations**

## **Training Program**

- 1. If online Certified Hemodialysis Technician (CHT) training programs were authorized, please describe how you would administer hemodialysis theory instruction virtually? Would you use theory instruction conducted synchronously (live instruction and discussion through a virtual platform), asynchronously (prerecorded content, student participation through forum/blogs), or both? What other elements are critical to successful online theory instruction?
- 2. What topics are most important to be covered in a precertification training program?
- 3. Would it be appropriate for any aspect of clinical hemodialysis training to be conducted on an observational only basis? What should be the maximum number of hours allowed for observational clinical training? Is there any training that should be required to be hands-on?
- 4. How many programs is it appropriate for RN Program Directors to be responsible for? Please explain.

## **Continuing Education**

- 5. <u>Business and Professions Code (BPC) 1247.63</u> states that a certified hemodialysis technician applying for renewal of their certification must submit proof of 30 hours of in-service training or continuing education. Should the regulations require a specific number of hours for continuing education and a specific number of hours for in-service training? If so, please describe.
- 6. How do your in-service trainings and continuing education offerings differ?
- 7. If a Certified Hemodialysis Technician (CHT) is not able to obtain adequate continuing education/in-service hours from your institution, what continuing education options can CHTs access?
- 8. <u>BPC 1247.64</u> states that required in-service training or continuing education may be obtained from health-related courses offered by accredited postsecondary institutions, continuing education providers approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, recognized health associations if the department determines

the courses to be acceptable, and employer-sponsored in-service or continuing education programs. Should approved continuing education providers meet the same requirements (instructors, course content, platform) that training program providers must meet?

## **General Questions**

- 9. Do you perform background checks or fingerprinting upon hire for CHTs?
- 10. Are there any provisions or terms in the <u>Hemodialysis Training Statutes</u> that are ambiguous that you would like the Department to clarify? If so, please describe.