

**The DPC Board of Directors is accepting applications
Apply Now for a Leadership Role in America's
Largest Dialysis Patient Organization!**

Mission and Charter

DPC is a nonprofit patient organization dedicated to improving dialysis patients' quality of life by developing awareness of dialysis issues, advocating for dialysis patients, improving the partnership between patients and caregivers, and promoting favorable public policy. We believe patients' quality of life is best improved by:

- Advancing self care
- Fostering and strengthening partnerships among patients and caregivers
- Achieving adequate dialysis-related funding
- Ensuring up-to-date, optimal clinical protocols

DPC's long-term goals are to be an organization:

- That plays an advisory role to Congress, Medicare (CMS) and dialysis providers.
- That works to achieve superior education for dialysis and pre-dialysis patients. That provides a voice for dialysis patients

DPC's Vision

The intent of DPC is to reflect the voice of the patients. We rely on input from our membership to determine both our education and advocacy priorities. DPC members are invited to complete education and advocacy surveys indicating on which issues they think DPC should focus. DPC's priorities are based on this member input.

DPC wants to give a voice to dialysis patients

One of DPC's goals is to provide dialysis patients with the education, access and confidence to be their own advocates. Through Washington, DC patient fly-ins, conference calls, and briefings, DPC works to train effective advocates for dialysis related issues. DPC is here to rally patients and have their voices heard.

Composition of the DPC Board of Directors

According to DPC's by-laws, the majority of board members must be current dialysis patients. However, the board is open to anyone interested in taking a broader role to improve the quality of life for patients with chronic kidney disease. Each board member serves a term of two-years, staggered.

Board Member Duties and Expectation

- Attend board meetings in Washington, DC or other locations and participate in monthly conference calls.
- Attend monthly Patient Ambassador and quarterly PALS conference calls.
- Serve on at least one Board Committee

- Stay informed about board and committee matters; review and comment on minutes and reports.
- Stay informed about the organization's mission, services, policies, and programs.
- Keep up-to-date on developments in the organization's field.
- Follow developments in the community, government, etc. that may affect the organization.
- Offer to take on special assignments as needed.
- Get to know other members; build working relationships that contribute to consensus.
- Represent the Board of Directors and organization at industry conferences and events as needed.
- Suggest nominees to the board who can make significant contributions to the work of the board and the organization.
- Participate actively in the board's annual evaluation and planning efforts.
- Serve as an advocate of the organization including attending federal and state advocacy days as needed.
- Sign conflict of interest statement.

Election Process

- Applications are received year-round
- The Nominating Committee reviews applications and follows up with candidates who meet pre-determined criteria to schedule interviews as appropriate
- The Nominating Committee presents a slate of candidates, from which the Board makes the final decision

Qualifications

- Candidates are evaluated based on their potential to add value to the Board including:
 - Dialysis knowledge and experience
 - Dialysis Modality
 - Geographic diversity
 - Professional skills
- Additional qualifications including record of service to DPC, including factors such as:
 - Past participation in DPC (including political action, membership recruiting, distributing educational materials, fundraising) Leadership/public speaking experience and professional achievement

We thank you for your interest and look forward to receiving your application. Please contact us if you have any questions - - toll free at 1.866.877.4242 or by email at dpc@dialysispatients.org.

In the meantime, you can get more involved in DPC right now by becoming a Patient Ambassador or a Friend of DPC. To learn more please visit www.dialysispatients.org.