**Section 1250.1570 Quality**

a) Criteria #1: Are essential patient care support services available?

b) Standard #1: All necessary supportive services are available.

1) Renal Transplantation Center

 The following services must be available on the facility's premises: laboratory services, social services, dietetic services and self-care dialysis support services, inpatient dialysis services, pharmacy, and the participation of the center in a recipient registry. The following services must be available: specialized blood facilities (including tissue typing).

2) Renal Dialysis Center or Facility

 The following services must be available: clinical and pathological laboratory services, blood bank, nutrition, rehabilitation, psychiatric and social services, self-care dialysis support services.

c) Data Factors: Required support service availability.

d) Criteria #3: All facilities performing kidney transplants and dialysis services have established an acceptable data system which meets all federal and state criteria.

e) Standard #1: Data systems should be established and functioning.

f) Data Factors:

1) Federal and State data requirements.

2) Data system information.

g) Criteria #4: Are medical review boards in existence at all facilities providing such services?

h) Standard #1: Medical review boards should exist in all facilities providing such services and comply with required functions for such boards. All facilities providing a renal dialysis or renal transplantation category of service shall have a medical review board which is responsible for

1) establishing criteria for acceptance of patients into the program and ruling on the eligibility of applicants;

2) formulation of an individual plan for the most effective treatment for each patient;

3) at least twice a year reassess the plan of therapy as to its effectiveness and appropriateness; and

4) at least twice a year have medical care evaluations to appraise the quality of care provided.

i) Data Factors:

1) Existence of review boards.

2) Policies of review boards.