Edits to ESRD County Need Methodology Narrative for 2020 SMFP

County Need

- a. The average annual rate (percent) of change in total number of dialysis patients resident in each county from the end of 2014 to the end of 2018 is multiplied by the county's December 31, 2018 total number of patients in the SDR, and the product is added to each county's most recent total number of patients reported in the 2020 SMFP SDR. The sum is the county's projected total December 31, 2019 patients.
- b. The percent of each county's total patients who were home dialysis patients on December 31, 2018 is multiplied by the county's projected total December 31, 2019 patients, and the product is subtracted from the county's projected total December 31, 2019 patients. The remainder is the county's projected December 31, 2019 in-center dialysis patients.
- c. The projected number of each county's December 31, 2019 in-center patients is divided by 3.2. The quotient is the projection of the county's December 31, 2019 in-center dialysis stations.
- d. From each county's projected number of December 31, 2019 in-center stations is subtracted the county's number of stations certified for Medicare, certificate of need-approved and awaiting certification, awaiting resolution of certificate of need appeals, and the number represented by previous need determinations in previous State Medical Facilities Plans or Semiannual Dialysis Reports for which certificate of need decisions have not been made. The remainder is the county's December 31, 2019 projected station surplus or deficit.
- e. If a county's December 31, 2019 projected station deficit is 10 or greater and the July SDR 2020 SMFP shows that utilization of each dialysis facility in the county is 80 percent or greater, the December 31, 2019 county station need determination is the same as the December 31, 2019 projected station deficit. If a county's December 31, 2019 projected station deficit is 10 or greater and the July SDR 2020 SMFP shows the county has no dialysis facility located in the county, then the December 31, 2019 projected station deficit. If a county's December 31, 2019 county station need determination is the same as the December 31, 2019 projected station deficit. If a county is less than 10 or if the utilization of any dialysis facility in the county is less than 80 percent, the county's December 31, 2019 station need is zero.