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## MEI Releases Spanish Translations of its PATH-D Tools for Partner Communication of Home Dialysis Tasks

Madison, WI – Doing dialysis at home means integrating new tasks and responsibilities into daily life. The non-profit <u>Medical Education Institute (MEI)</u> has released Spanish translations of its *Partner Agreement on Tasks for Home Dialysis* (PATH-D) tools. Supported by Fresenius Kidney Care, the translations will help Spanish speaking kidney patients and care partners to sort out who will do which of the tasks for PD or home HD. Download English and Spanish versions at <u>www.homedialysis.org/life-at-home/care-partners</u>.

"We want to help people picture what their lives might look like with home treatments and share their expectations," said Dori Schatell, MS, MEI Executive Director. "Sometimes, people don't choose a home treatment out of fear of burdening a partner—or potential partners shy away because they are worried that home dialysis will be overwhelming. The PATH-D tools help people to literally get on the same page, and they can see that there is a continuum of partner involvement, from 0% to 100%. It's best for both partners when patients do as much of their own treatments as they are able."

**About MEI:** Founded in 1993, MEI is a national 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to helping people with chronic diseases learn to manage and improve their health. MEI fulfills its mission by conducting research, developing evidence-based educational materials for consumers and health professionals, and advocating for patient-centered policies. MEI is funded through corporate sponsorships, fee-for-service contracts, product sales, and donations. Tax-deductible contributions can be made through MEI's website, <a href="https://www.meiresearch.org">www.meiresearch.org</a>.