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PD
DAYS

February 7th-9th, 2013

Update:
St Paul's Hospital,
Vancouver

Programme Description

Number of patients: **156** **83** Catheter Insertions in 2012

PD prevalence: **24%**

Staffing design

Nephrologists dedicated to PD: **2**

Nursing staff: **7**

Allied health: **1** Social Worker
1 Dietician
0.5 FT Pharmacist

Patients at a Glance

Vancouver Coastal Health Region
includes Sunshine Coast, plus Prince Rupert (3pts) and Yukon
(7 pts)

15% CAPD, 85% Cycler

Average age: **62yrs**

Significant population for whom English is not first language/not
spoken – Cantonese, Mandarin, Korean, Farsi, Spanish

3 patients in Extended Care Facility

Clinical Update

Peritonitis rates: 1 in 44 patient months

Dominant method of catheter placement: Bedside, usually with peritoneoscope (Dr Nussbaumer)

3 Links – Offers up to 6 beds for Vancouver Coastal Region (shared with VGH and SPH programmes)

PD Assist in home setting – provincial initiative underway, but little or none at present

Areas of Focus/Success in the Past 12 Months

Significant programme growth

Nearly 20 more patients than a year ago

Active successful role of “PD Link Nurse” in recruiting patients – pre-catheter home visits, etc

Good relationship with surgeon offering laparoscopic manipulations, etc – new for us

Areas of Focus in the Next 12 Months

Work on home PD assistance

Recruit more trainers/nurses
(space an issue)

Review training model with regards to efficiencies

Possibly more use of IPD

Challenges and Frustrations

New PD area too small

Delays in training – staff shortages and increased volume

