

1 General guidelines

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A. A unit offering peritoneal dialysis (PD) should provide not only continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis (CAPD) but also automated peritoneal dialysis (APD), in all its forms. It should have access to adequate back-up haemodialysis (HD) facilities and renal transplantation.

B. All equipment used in the delivery and monitoring of therapies should comply with the relevant standards

for medical electrical equipment (BS-EN 60601-239:1999, BS5724-2-39:1998, IEC 60601-2-39:1998, Particular requirements for the safety specification for peritoneal dialysis equipment). Tubing sets and catheters should carry the 'CE' mark to indicate that the item conforms to the essential requirements of the Medical Devices Directive (93/42/EEC) and that its conformity has been assessed in accordance with the directive.