

# KNOWLEDGE QUESTIONNAIRE ABOUT VASCULAR ACCESS



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Interviewer nurse: \_\_\_\_\_

## EVALUATION KNOWLEDGE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CARERS AND PATIENTS ON HEMODIALYSIS

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In order to improve your quality of life we are studying the acquired knowledge degree.

Thanks for your cooperation

*Choose the correct answer marking with an "X"*

#### ARTERIO – VENOUS FISTULA

##### 1.- What is an arterio-venous fistula?

- a.- A big caliber vein.
- b.- An artery.
- c.- Is the junction between a vein and an artery to achieve the enough blood flow to be dialyzed.
- d.- I don't know.

##### 2.- How do you know if your fistula is working or not?

- a.- Because you feel the thrill in the palpation.
- b.- Because you feel beat.
- c.- Because your veins are very thickened.
- d.- I don't know.

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### 3.- Do you need an special hygiene on your fistula´s arm?

- a.- Yes, wetting the area as little as possible.
- b.- Yes, you have to use an antiseptic like betadine or clorhexidine.
- c.- Water and soap like the rest of the body.
- d.- I don´t know.

### 4.- Can you remove the dressings from the puncture area after an hemodialysis session?

- a.- Yes, immediately.
- b.- Not until the next session.
- c.- Yes, two hours after session.
- d.- I don´t know.

### 5.- In relation to the arterio-venous fistula´s arm is true that...

- a.- You cannot catch weights, wear tight clothing or sleep under these arm.
- b.- You can´t write.
- c.- You can do any activity.
- d.- I don´t know.

### 6.- In the fistula´s arm you can....

- a.- Take the blood pressure.
- b.- Take blood tests or get a drip.
- c.- You will allow qualified personal only.
- d.- I don´t know.

### 7.- In case of bleeding from the fistula when you finish or during the session ...

- a.- You will press gently in the puncture area while you contact the nephrology unit.
- b.- You will leave it, it will stop by his own.
- c.- Call your GP.
- d.- I don´t know.

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**8.- If you feel your fistula is not working, what do you have to do?**

- a.- You will notify in the next session.
- b.- You will go to your center as soon as possible.
- c.- You will wait because it can start working again.
- d.- I don't know.

