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**CARE MANAGEMENT FOR HIGH COST DEMONSTRATION**

**Village Health “KEY TO BETTER HEALTH” FACT SHEET**

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| Village Health “KEY to Better Health” (KTBH) | • Initial three year Medicare fee-for-service population model demonstration approved for the period November 1, 2005 through October 31, 2008  
• Demonstration Authority: Section 402 of Public Law 90-248, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1395b-1)  
• Three year extension approved began November 1, 2008  
• Focus on Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) and End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) |
| Geographic Area | • New York: Nassau, Suffolk, Queens, Kings, Westchester, Rockland, Bronx, and Richmond Counties |
| Disease Management Benefit | • Provide intensive disease management directed by nephrologists in supplementary clinics to identify potential problems and avoid complications, coordinate early intervention plans and prevent acute hospitalization  
• Health evaluations to identify beneficiaries’ health care needs and any early warning signs of other conditions  
• 24-hour phone line access to nurses to answer questions and give support  
• Educational materials, including a newsletter  
• Access to a pharmacist to help understand and manage the drugs beneficiaries are taking  
• Help to understand Medicare benefits and the prescription drug plan  
• Field based nursing support  
• Early referral to a nephrologist |
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