

Table S1. Difference in select baseline characteristics between eligible vs. excluded patients.

Characteristics	All (N= 716,758)	Eligible (N = 439,461)	Excluded (N = 277,297)	P-value eligible vs. excluded
Age at first ESRD service	76.0 (71.0,81.0)	76.0 (72.0,81.0)	75.0 (70.0,80.0)	<.0001
Female sex	46.9	48.5	44.4	<.0001
Race				<.0001
White	74.7	77.4	70.4	
Black	20.5	19.1	22.7	
Asian	3.7	2.4	5.6	
other	1.1	1.1	1.2	
missing	0.1	<0.1	0.1	
Hispanic ethnicity	9.2	7.0	12.7	<.0001
Diagnosed/reported comorbid conditions from Medical Evidence Form				
Current smoking	3.2	3.3	3.2	0.04
Alcohol dependence	0.7	0.6	0.7	<.0001
Drug dependence	0.1	0.1	0.1	<.0001
Inability to ambulate or transfer	7.6	7.7	7.4	<.0001
Cause of end-stage renal disease				<.0001
Diabetes	40.4	39.9	41.1	
Hypertension	33.8	34.8	32.4	
Glomerulonephritis	5.4	5.6	5.1	
Other	19.1	19.5	18.5	
Missing	1.2	0.2	2.9	
First dialysis modality, PD	5.0	5.4	4.5	<.0001
Body mass index, kg/m ²	25.5 (22.2,29.7)	25.5 (22.2,29.7)	25.6 (22.2,29.8)	<.0001
% missing	5.0	4.0	6.6	
Serum albumin concentration, g/dl	3.2 (2.7,3.6)	3.2 (2.7,3.6)	3.2 (2.7,3.6)	<.0001
% missing	26.8	25.4	28.8	
Hemoglobin concentration, g/dl	10.0 (9.0,11.0)	10.0 (9.0,11.1)	10.0 (9.0,11.0)	<.0001
% missing	9.5	8.2	11.4	
eGFR calculated, ml/min/1.73m ²	8.2 (5.9,11.3)	8.2 (5.9,11.3)	8.2 (5.9,11.3)	<.0001
% missing	3.2	1.9	5.2	

*Median (interquartile range) for continuous measures, percentage for all other measures. AF – atrial fibrillation; eGFR – estimated glomerular filtration rate; ESRD – end-stage renal disease; HD – hemodialysis; PD – peritoneal dialysis.