



CASE STUDY

Kate

Kate is a teenager who became acutely unwell and was admitted very suddenly onto the paediatric renal ward with end stage renal failure. The family has had a huge shock and also had to cope with the reality that Kate now requires dialysis treatment, the options were haemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis. Kate and her family opted for peritoneal dialysis as this way Kate could be at home and receive her dialysis treatment overnight.

Kate's family do not have sufficient storage space for the dialysis fluid (as it is delivered in bulk every month) so their social worker contacted us to see if we could help with the cost towards a shed for storage and also a trolley to keep all of Kate's dialysis equipment on as she had become used to using in hospital.

We agreed with the social worker and felt it would be better for Kate to have something familiar to use rather than try and introduce another routine for her so agreed to pay for the shed and trolley in full. We have heard from Kate's social worker that she is coping well with her new routine and her dialysis treatment is going well.