

Medical Model	Patient-Centered Model
Patient's role is passive <i>(The patient is quiet)</i>	Patient's role is active <i>(The patient asks questions)</i>
Patient is recipient of treatment <i>(The patient doesn't voice concerns, even if there's a problem)</i>	Patient is partner in treatment plan <i>(The patient asks for information about other options)</i>
Provider (usually a doctor) dominates as decision-maker <i>(The provider does not offer options)</i>	Provider collaborates with patient in making decisions <i>(The provider offers options and discusses pros and cons)</i>
Disease-centered <i>(Dialysis is the focus of daily activities)</i>	Quality-of-life-centered <i>(The patient focuses on family and other activities)</i>
Provider does most of the talking <i>(The provider does not allow time for questions)</i>	Provider listens more and talks less <i>(The provider allows time for discussion)</i>
Patient complies (or not) <i>(Patient does not comply with diet)</i>	Patient adheres to treatment plan <i>(Diet is flexible to accommodate culture and family traditions)</i>