2009 USRDS Database:
all ESRD patients
n = 2,260,986

ESRD patients in 50 US states & DC with
valid age and FSD:
n = 2,212,094

Deceased ESRD (1990-2009) patients with
age at incidence ≥ 40, valid race and sex:
n = 1,212,426

ESRD patients who died in
1995 to 2009 inclusive:
n = 1,035,098

ESRD patients with known discontinuation
of dialysis status prior to death:
n = 847,491

ESRD patients who had dialysis for at least
90 days prior to death:
n = 726,216

ESRD patients with known
RUCA codes:
n = 715,605 — Study Cohort

ESRD patients with discontinuation
of dialysis prior to death:
n = 176,021 (24.6%)

ESRD patients without discontinuation
of dialysis prior to death:
n = 539,584 (75.4%)