Table 1

Complications of peritoneal dialysis

Complication	Presentation	Causes	Management
Inflamed exit site	Erythema, ooze	Bacterial infection Allergy to dressing	Swab & antibiotics Change dressing
Fluid overload	Dyspnoea, weight gain, ankle swelling hypertension	Inadequate fluid removal	Increase strength of PD dialysate
PD peritonitis	Abdominal pain, pyrexia, cloudy dialysate	Bacterial infection	PD dialysate cultures Intraperitoneal and systemic antibiotics
Catheter malfunction	Difficulty draining fluid	Constipation Kinked catheter Fibrin blockage	Laxatives Manipulation under X-ray guidance Heparin added to PD fluid