**Appendix S4: Differences in characteristics between PD and home HD choice makers in the predialysis cohort**

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| **Variable** | **PD (n=78)** | **Home (n=36)** | **p-value** |
| Centre  A  B  C  D  E | 11 (14.1%)  15 (19.2%)  24 (30.8%)  8 (10.3%)  20 (25.6%) | 3 (8.3%)  23 (63.9%)  1 (2.8%)  8 (22.2%)  1 (2.8%) | <0.0011 |
| Age – Mean (std. dev.) | 58.35 (12.94) | 53.56 (13.02) | 0.0692 |
| Education – Post-high school | 20/76 (26.3%) | 12/35 (34.3%) | 0.391 |
| Employment  Retired  Unemployed  Salaried/self-employed | 36 (46.2%)  13 (16.7%)  29 (37.2%) | 12 (33.3%)  7 (19.4%)  17 (47.2%) | 0.431 |
| IMD – quintile  1 (least deprived)  2  3  4  5 (most deprived) | 24 (30.8%)  13 (16.7%)  10 (12.8%)  12 (15.4%)  19 (24.4%) | 4 (11.1%)  4 (11.1%)  7 (19.4%)  12 (33.3%)  9 (25.0%) | 0.0641 |
| Training centre distance – Median (IQR) | 13.1 (4.9-19.2) | 12.3 (8.9-15.4) | 0.973 |
| Accommodation – Home owner | 60/77 (77.9%) | 29 (80.6%) | 0.751 |
| Childcare  >18 yrs; independent  <18 yrs or >18yrs; dependent  No children | n=75  43 (57.3%)  12 (16.0%)  20 (26.7%) | 15 (41.7%)  14 (38.9%)  7 (19.4%) | 0.0291 |
| Mobility –  Walking Aid/Limited/Wheelchair Bound | 13 (16.7%) | 3 (8.3%) | 0.231 |
| Caregiver – alone | 21/76 (27.6%) | 8 (22.2%) | 0.541 |
| CCI – Median (IQR) | 4.0 (3.0-6.0) | 4.0 (3.0-5.0) | 0.383 |
| Ethnicity – non-white | 3 (3.8%) | 5 (13.9%) | 0.111 |

1Pearson’s chi-squared test

2t-test

3Mann-Whitney U test