



Early Career Professionals at KDIGO Controversies Conferences

KDIGO Controversies Conferences have always been invitation only events, with most participants being recognized global experts in their field. This new program will allow Early Career Professionals, identified and funded by other organizations, to attend and participate in KDIGO Controversies Conferences.

Organizations to discuss this idea with include ISN, ASN, TTS, AST and ERA/EDTA. KDIGO holds four or five of Controversies Conferences each year, so overlap could be prevented. Five Early Career Professionals seems to be an appropriate number to involve in each Conference. Expenses will be paid directly by the Sponsoring Organization to their participants. They will be fully welcomed and integrated into the conferences by KDIGO. Full credit will be given to the Sponsoring Organization, which can promote this as a positive aspect of their Early Career Professionals program.

The program may have appeal to some organizations wanting to enhance their membership pipeline and many have Early Career Professionals they are funding already. KDIGO need not be involved in the funding, but will promote the learning experience it provides through these highly regarded Conferences. The names of the Early Career Professionals will be published as attendees in the Conference Report.

With the Executive Committee's approval, KDIGO staff will coordinate approaches to the potential sponsoring organizations. Some of those approaches may be made by Members of the Executive Committee.