



KDIGO CONSENSUS CONFERENCE ON HARMONIZING
ACUTE AND CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE DEFINITION
AND CLASSIFICATION

OBJECTIVES & KEY QUESTIONS

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES:

- Revisit and refine the AKD definition and classification suggested in the 2012 AKI guideline and describe the relationships between AKD, AKI and CKD.
- Develop evidence-based management recommendations for AKD informed by epidemiological data and to identify the key areas of research required in this field with the aim to benefit clinical practice, research and public health.
- Because evidence is limited at this time, the goals of the conference will be accomplished **virtually** by a relatively small group of investigators, including those who have published on this topic and representatives from the past AKI and CKD guideline Work Groups.
- Original data analyses using additional cohorts will be presented to examine AKD epidemiology together with a review of the literature to address the key conference questions.

WHAT THIS CONFERENCE WILL **NOT** DO:

- We will **not** be writing a new guideline or revising the 2012 KDIGO AKI Guideline
- We will **not** be writing graded recommendation statements or practice points
- We will **not** revise the current KDIGO definitions of AKI or CKD

KEY CONFERENCE QUESTIONS

- What is the rationale & justification for AKD?
- How should AKD be defined and classified?
 - AKD without AKI
 - AKD after AKI
- What recommendations can be made for evaluation and management of AKD, especially in relation to:
 - improvement in diagnostic accuracy
 - the potential role for kidney biopsy
 - general management (e.g., drug dosing/selection, initiation of CKD management)
- Future research which may help to identify specific therapeutic outcomes