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KDIGO Guidelines Update

Diabetes Management in Chronic Kidney Disease Guideline Approaching Publication

The KDIGO Clinical Practice Guideline for Diabetes Management in Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) will be published in the October print version of Supplements to Kidney International with an Executive Summary in the main pages of the journal. It will be available digitally in late September. Topics include comprehensive care, glycemic monitoring and targets, lifestyle and antihyperglycemic interventions, approaches to self-management, and optimal models of care. The guideline was co-chaired by Ian de Boer, MD, and Peter Rossing, MD.

These recommendations and practice points are intended to be a reference for clinicians seeking to put the latest scientific evidence on diabetes in CKD into clinical practice. A valuable resource for clinicians and patients, the guideline provides actionable recommendations based on a rigorous formal systematic review, with useful practice points and infographics to supplement the recommendation statements. KDIGO acknowledges the extensive contributions and depth of experience of the Cochrane Kidney and Transplant Evidence Review Team and Diabetes Work Group, which included patients with diabetes and CKD, in making this guideline possible.

For more on diabetes and CKD, please check out the KDIGO Diabetes in CKD Guideline Webinar: Looking at the Latest Evidence and Beyond. This webinar features Diabetes Guideline Co-Chairs, Ian de Boer, MD, and Peter Rossing, MD, along with Guideline Work Group Members, Kathy Tuttle, MD, and Tami Sadusky. The webinar was held on June 22, 2020, in collaboration with the International Society of Nephrology. For additional information on forthcoming webinars and other educational materials related to this guideline, visit the KDIGO Diabetes Management in CKD Guideline website.
Register for the KDIGO AKI & Covid-19 Webinar

Don't miss the KDIGO AKI & COVID-19 webinar on Thursday, September 24, at 09:00 AM (EST). The webinar will examine the complexities of treating acute kidney injury in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

John Kellum, MD, will speak on the Diagnosis, Prevention, and Early Management of COVID-AKI. This presentation will look at epidemiology and pathogenesis, including laboratory tests, general prevention, management strategies, and specific strategies for treating COVID-AKI.

John Prowle, MD, will examine kidney replacement therapies (KRT) for COVID-AKI, reviewing the epidemiology of severe AKI in COVID-19, indications and timing of KRT, anticoagulation strategies, and strategies for KRT during resource scarcity.

Marlies Ostermann, MD, will moderate this webinar.

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KDIGO Hosts Consensus Conference on Acute Kidney Disease

On August 15 and 16, KDIGO hosted a
virtual Consensus Conference on Acute Kidney Disease (AKD). This unique meeting bridged the gap between acute kidney injury and chronic kidney disease.

The conference was co-chaired by Adeera Levin, MD, and Paul Stevens, MD, Co-Chairs of the original KDIGO CKD Guideline, and Norbert Lameire, MD, and John Kellum, MD, Co-Chairs of the original Acute Kidney Injury Guideline. Two days of discussions and debates were held, and the plenary presentations are now available on the KDIGO website.

A consensus document will be published in 2021, detailing the conclusions from the AKD Conference. Defining AKD is also an essential element of preparing for the update to the KDIGO Acute Kidney Injury Guideline.

The KDIGO-ISN Acute Hyperkalemia Webinar is Now Available
On September 4, KDIGO hosted a webinar on acute hyperkalemia in collaboration with the International Society of Nephrology. The webinar featured Gregor Lindner, MD, and was moderated by Brenda Hemmelgarn, MD. It summarizes clinical guidance for the evaluation and management of acute hyperkalemia. It follows a 2018 conference convened by KDIGO to identify evidence and address controversies on potassium management in kidney disease.

Watch the recording of the KDIGO-ISN Acute Hyperkalemia Webinar.

For more information on acute hyperkalemia, check out *Acute Hyperkalemia in the Emergency Department*, a publication based on the KDIGO Potassium Management Controversies Conference. Read it online.

**KDIGO Co-Chairs Present Key Topics at Taiwan Society**

KDIGO Co-Chairs, Michel Jadoul, MD, and Wolfgang Winkelmayer, MD, led key presentations on CKD at the 2020 KDIGO-Taiwan Society of Nephrology (TSN) Joint Symposium in Taipei, Taiwan on July 26, 2020.

Dr. Jadoul focused on *Implementation in Taiwan of the 2018 KDIGO Guideline on Hepatitis C in CKD*. Dr. Winkelmayer spoke about the KDIGO Controversies Conference
Take the SONG-CKD Delphi Survey

You are invited to participate in a new Standardised Outcomes in Nephrology (SONG) Initiative Delphi survey to understand what outcomes are important to patients, caregivers, family members, and health professionals for research (clinical trials) in people with chronic kidney disease. Your participation will help to ensure that researchers include outcomes that are relevant and meaningful for making decisions.

The focus of the survey is on chronic kidney disease patients (not yet requiring dialysis or a kidney transplant). Patients on dialysis or with a kidney transplant are also welcome to participate and will be asked to reflect on their past experiences before needing dialysis or transplantation. The Delphi survey includes two rounds, and each survey will take about ten minutes to complete.

If you are a patient, family member, or health professional with an interest in chronic kidney disease and would like to have a say about what is important to you, please take the survey.

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