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KDIGO Announces Launch of CKD Guideline Update

Kidney Disease: Improving Global Outcomes (KDIGO) announces the formal launch of the update to the 2012 Clinical Practice Guideline for the Evaluation and Management of Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD). The CKD Guideline aims to provide state-of-the-art guidance for clinicians treating patients with kidney disease. Dr. Adeera Levin (Canada) and Dr. Paul Stevens (United Kingdom) will co-chair the CKD Guideline Update as they did for the 2012 CKD Guideline.

“The 2012 KDIGO CKD Guideline represented a significant contribution to the advancement of global nephrology and refined the CKD classification scheme emphasizing the conceptual importance of describing Cause, GFR level, and degree of Albuminuria (CGA), thereby improving the recognition and understanding of kidney diseases,” said Dr. Levin. “However, a lot has happened in global nephrology since then, and it is time to revisit this important KDIGO Guideline. We are eager to appraise the latest evidence for clinicians around the world and are confident that this update will be just as informative and impactful as the original.”

KDIGO guidelines follow a rigorous scientific process that includes a systematic review of the relevant literature with a structured assessment of the evidence. An independent Evidence Review Team (ERT) will conduct the evidence review and appraisal and will synthesize the findings for the Work Group. A volunteer Work Group of experts balanced in geography, gender, and subject knowledge are tasked with reviewing the evidence and issuing guidance. The Scope of Work for the CKD Guideline will be available for public review in February.

“The CKD Guideline Update will build on the landmark 2012 CKD Guideline by performing new literature reviews, issuing updated guideline recommendations and practice points, and identifying knowledge gaps,” said Dr. Stevens. “With this effort, we continually aim to both advance CKD research and improve outcomes for patients with kidney disease worldwide.”

About KDIGO

KDIGO is a global organization developing and implementing evidence-based clinical practice guidelines in kidney disease. It is an independent, volunteer-led, self-managed charity incorporated in Belgium accountable to the public and the patients it serves. [Learn More](#)