# Interventions to delay progression of kidney disease and minimize risk of adverse events or complications

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# Understanding CKD 'Kidney Failure"





CKD – chronic kidney disease, GFR – glomerular filtration rate ml/min; ESRD – End Stage Kidney Disease or CKD stage 5

### Conceptual Model of CKD Progression



# Glomerular filtration rate (GFR) decline... the facts Herbert et al Kidney

International 59 (4) p1211



Age, years

### Progression, remission, regression of chronic renal diseases Lancet 2001; 357: 1601–08

Review

#### Progression, remission, regression of chronic renal diseases

Piero Ruggenenti, Arrigo Schieppati, Giuseppe Remuzzi

The prevalence of chronic renal disease is increasing worldwide. Most chronic nephropathies lack a specific treatment and progress relentiessly to end-stage renal disease. However, research in animals and people has helped our understanding of the mechanisms of this progression and has indicated possible preventive methods. The notion of renoprotection is developing into a combined approach to renal diseases, the main measures being pharmacological control of blood pressure and reduction of proteinuria. Lowering of blood lipids, smoking cessation, and tight glucose control for diabetes also form part of the multimodal protocol for management of renal patients. With available treatments, dialysis can be postponed for many patients with chronic nephropathies, but the real goal has to be less dialysis—In other words remission of disease and regression of structural damage to the kidney. Experimental and clinical data lend support to the notion that less dialysis (and maybe none for some patients) is at least possible.

### **Modifying the Risk Factors**

#### Definitions of progression, remission, and regression

Remuzzi NEJM 1998 339;20

1448-56

Variable	Progression	Remission	Regression
Proteinuria	1 g/24 h	<1 g/24 h	<0∙3 g/24 h
Glomerular filtration rate	Declining*	Stable	Increasing
Renal structural changes	Worsening	Stable	Improving

\*Faster than physiological decline associated with aging (1 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> per month).

# Targets of the multidrug approach to reduce decline in GFR

Lancet vol 357 p1601 Ruggenenti

Variable	Target
Systolic or diastolic blood pressure (mm Hg)	<125/75*
24 h urinary protein excretion rate (g)	<0.3
LDL cholesterol (mmol/L)	<2.6
LDL and VLDL cholesterol (mmol/L)	<3.4
Proportion HbA <sub>1C</sub> †	<7.5%
*Morning, pretreatment value; †In diabetics	6.



# The nephron

#### Vulnerability of the kidney

- Important blood flow ٠ (1/4 of cardiac output)
- High metabolic activity ٠
- Largest endothelial surface ٠ by weight
- Multiple enzyme systems ٠
- Transcellular transport ٠
- Concentration of ٠ substances
- Protein unbinding ٠
- High  $O_2$ ٠ consumption/delivery ratio in outer medulla





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# AKI and CKD as an Interconnected Syndrome





# Mechanisms of Kidney Injury and subsequent repair after AKI



# **AKI progressing to ESKD**

- Distinction between AKI and CKD may be artificial.
- The integrated clinical syndrome of diminished GFR, with acute & chronic stages.
- Patients should be provided long-term follow-up even with first episodes of AKI or even if they presented with normal renal function.



# Effect of acute kidney injury (AKI) frequency on outcomes.

Thakar et al.DM pts with >2 episodes of AKI were much more likely to progress to stage 4 CKD than patients who experienced only one episode of AKI.

1. Chawla LS, Kimmel PL, Kidney Int. 2012 Sep;82(5):516-24 Acute kidney injury and chronic kidney disease: an integrated clinical syndrome.

2. Thakar CV, Christianson A, Himmelfarb J et al. Acute kidney injury episodes and chronic kidney disease risk in diabetes mellitus. Clin J Am Soc Nephrol 2011

### **Stages in the Progression of CKD and Therapeutic Strategies**



Levey et al. AJKD 2009-03-01, Volume 53, Issue 3, Pages S4-S16)

**STOP Here!** 

# **Nurse role in CKD** Reduce the impact of CKD

Screen for risks	Manage disease	Monitor patient progress
<ul> <li>Using Kidney Health</li> <li>Check</li> <li>Diabetes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Using care plans and item numbers</li> <li>Promote self management</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Using item numbers</li> <li>Adherence to treatment</li> </ul>
Hypertension	Diabetes	Nephrotoxic medications
Cardiovascular using Absolute CVD Risk Calculator*	Hypertension	
Other CKD risk factors		

Symptoms

Using health checks & item numbers







# **Increased Risk - CKD Screening**

#### CKD Screening Recommendations in Australia?

#### Mike G screening is done by checking:

- urine albumin/creatinine ratio (ACR)
- estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR)
- blood pressure

#### The Kidney Health Check

All 3 screening tests should be performed in high risk patients to maximise the likelihood of CKD detection as there is <u>variable overlap</u> of indicators of kidney damage.

- In AusDiab study, 92% of patients with eGFR < 60 mL/min/1.73  $m^2$  did not have albuminuria/proteinuria
- 57% of subjects with albuminuria/proteinuria did not have an eGFR < 60 mL/min/1.73  $m^2$



# **Screening for CKD**

Indications for assessment*	Recommended assessments	Frequency
Diabetes		
Hypertension	Urine ACR, eGFR, blood pressure	
Established cardiovascular disease**		
Family history of kidney failure	If urine ACR positive repeat twice over 3 months (proforably first morning yoid)	From 1 2 resust
Obesity (BMI ≥30 kg/m²)	If eGER < $60$ ml /min/1 73m <sup>2</sup> repeat within	Every 1-2 years
Smoker	7 days	
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin aged $\geq$ 30 years <sup>‡</sup>		
History of acute kidney injury	See recommendations in handbo	ok

\*Whilst being aged 60 years of age or over is considered to be a risk factor for CKD, in the absence of other risk factors it is not necessary to routinely assess these individuals for kidney disease. \*\*Established cardiovascular disease is defined as a previous diagnosis of coronary heart disease, cerebrovascular disease or peripheral vascular disease.

+ Annually for individuals with diabetes or hypertension.

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<sup>‡</sup> Refer to booklet for more details regarding recommendations for testing in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Kidney<sup>®</sup> Health

Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) Management in General Practice, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. Kidney Health Australia: Melbourne, 2015



#### Estimated GFR (MDRD) Median and interquartile range

#### Prevalence of eGFR < 60 mL/min in population



GFR declines by 5-8mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> each decade

NOTE\* Current Recommendations - PEAK

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K. Sikaris; Unpublished Data



#### Stages of CKD\_

#### Guidelines for Referral And Goals of management

#### Kidney Health Australia GP guidelines

#### **Kidney Health Australia**

https://kidney.org.au/cms\_ uploads/docs/ckd-management -in-gp-handbook-3rd-edition.pdf

		Albuminuria Stage		
Kidney Function Stage	GFR (mL/ min/1.73m²)	Normal (urine ACR mg/ mmol) Male: < 2.5 Female: < 3.5	Microalbuminuria (urine ACR mg/ mmol) Male: 2.5-25 Female: 3.5-35	Macroalbuminuria (urine ACR mg/ mmol) Male: > 25 Female: > 35
1	≥90	Not CKD unless haematuria, structural		
2	60-89	or pathological abnormalities present		
3a	45-59			
3b	30-44			
4	15-29			
5	<15 or on dialysis			

#### Goals of management \_\_\_\_\_

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		Prepare for dialysis or pre- emptive transplant if eGFR <30 mL/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup> Discuss advanced care directive if dialysis inappropriate Multidisciplinary team involvement



Ht 179cm

Wt 98kg

BMI

30.58kg/m<sup>2</sup>

# Case study – Mike G

### Mike's results:

Test	Results 4 months ago	Results
Blood pressure		155/90 mmHg (seated)
Serum Creatinine		100 μmol/L
eGFR		74 mL/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup>
HbA1c		8.4% / 68 mmol/mol
Total cholesterol		6.1 mmol/L
Urine ACR	4.6 mg/mmol (random spot)	10 mg/mmol (first void)
Urate		0.55 mmol/L

# Staging CKD

Combine eGFR stage, albuminuria stage and underlying diagnosis to specify CKD stage e.g. stage 3b CKD with microalbuminuria secondary to diabetic kidney disease

		Albuminuria Stage			
GFR	GFR mL/min/1.	Normal urine ACR mg/mmol	Microalbuminuria urine ACR mg/mmol	Macroalbuminuria urine ACR mg/mmol	ACTION PLANS Below are the Clinical Action Plans for the three stages of Chronic Kidney Disease (measured using eGFR and urine ACR) compiled from Kidney Health Australia Guidelines. They are categorised yellow, usrange and red indicating the overall risk of progression of CKD and cardiovascular events.
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Colour-coded Clinical Action Plans in handbook and on CKD-Go! App



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### **Yellow Clinical Action Plan**

Stage 2 CKD with microalbuminuria, probably secondary to diabetic kidney disease

### Goals of management

- Investigations to exclude treatable disease
- Assessment of absolute cardiovascular risk
- Reduce cardiovascular risk
- Early detection and management of complications
- Avoidance of nephrotoxic medications or volume depletion



# CKD and the risk of death,CV events and hospitalisation

All cause mortality



#### Cardiovascular mortality



Go et al N Engl J Med 2004; 351:1296-1305

N = 1,120,295

Kaiser Permanente Renal Registry

# **Proteinuria is related to life** expectancy\*



\*Observational study of 375,325 men without end stage kidney disease followed for up to 7 years

Turin et al, Am J Kidney Dis 2013;61:644-648

# Kidney & cardiovascular outcomes in patients with CKD Kaiser Permanente Longitudinal Study



Patients with CKD are 20 times more likely to die from cardiovascular events than survive to reach dialysis

Keith et al; Arch Int Med 2004



### **Yellow Clinical Action Plan**

Monitoring ✓ 12 monthly clinical review

Clinical ✓Blood pressure ✓Weight

Laboratory assessment  ✓ urine ACR
 ✓ Biochemical profile including urea, creatinine, electrolytes
 ✓ eGFR
 ✓ HbA1c (for people with diabetes)
 ✓ Fasting lipids



# Adequate BP management delays the progression of CKD



### **CKD risk factors: High blood pressure**

High BP damages small blood vessels in the kidneys. Starts the process described earlier causing fibrosis.



Or.....damaged kidneys cause high blood pressure and high blood pressure damages kidneys

# **BP control**

# The cumulative incidence of end stage kidney disease is higher with more severe BP category



Tozawaw et al, Hypertension 2003;41:1341-1345

# Treatment of blood pressure in CKD Which agent and how many?

- RAAS Blockade ACEi or ARB
  - Independent effect (tissue effects) over BP alone
- CKD patients often need <u>multiple medications</u> to achieve BP control
- Achieving below target BP is essential



#### ACE inhibitors in Type 2 Diabetes with hypertension The BENEDICT Trial

Adjusted HRs for major cardiovascular events according to baseline albuminuria

ACEi yes-no





# **Case study – Pt with DKD**

If you started an ACEi or ARB, when would you recheck his chemistry & how much reduction in eGFR would you tolerate?

#### Check eGFR at 1 week and 1 month after starting

 ACEi & ARBs can cause reversible reduction in GFR at initiation of treatment

#### Tolerate a 25% decrease in eGFR\*

- Continue ACEi or ARB if reduction is less than 25% and stabilises within two months of starting therapy
- Cease ACEi or ARB if reduction >25% below baseline
- In ceasing ACEi or ARB, consider referral to Nephrologist for bilateral renal artery stenosis
- All reductions in GFR with ACEi or ARB are reversible



# **RAS Blockade**

- Loss of renal efferent arteriolar vasoconstriction:
  - Acute decrease in intra-glomerular pressure  $\rightarrow$  <u>fall in GFR</u>



### **CKD risk factors: Obesity**



<sup>\*</sup>CKD with eGFR <45mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>

Hallan et al, Am J Kid Dis 2006

# **Risk factors - obesity**

- Overweight (BMI 25.1-30) 40% risk
- Obese (BMI >30) → 80% more likely to develop CKD compared to normal weight individuals\*
- **Central obesity** more important than generalised
- Although not as powerful as diabetes or hypertension as a risk factor, obese subjects may be more likely to develop albuminuria and proteinuria
- Obesity = greater difficulty in achieving glycaemic
   & BP control

### **Risk of ESKD related to baseline proteinuria (dipstick) over 18 year period**



Iseki et al, Kidney Int 2003;63:1468-1476
# Macroalbuminuria is a better marker than GFR in predicting loss of kidney function



# Proteinuria

Blue – normal ACR Green – microalbuminuria Red - macroalbuminuria



#### Note log scale on Y axis for Hazard Ratio

Adapted from Levey et al, 2010, Kidney International



Baigent et al, Lancet 2011

# SHARP results: consistent with results from previous cholesterol lowering trials





## Mike Gs Medication list

#### **Medications**

- ACE/ARB
- HTN medication (more than two)
- Anti-lipid agents
- Allopurinol
- DM medication

#### Risks

- eGFR decline 个K+
- Multiple medications and side effects
- CK Muscle cramps
- Rash or TEN
- Hypoglycaemia, lactic acidosis, worsening renal function

#### Use of Allopurinol in Slowing the Progression of Renal Disease Through Its Ability to

#### **Lower Serum Uric Acid Level**

American Journal of Kidney Diseases, Volume 47, Issue 1, January 2006, Pages 51-59 Yui-Pong Siu, Kay-Tai Leung, Matthew Ka-Hang Tong, Tze-Hoi Kwan



Mean percentage of change in creatinine levels in treatment and Control Groups \*p<0.05 compared with baseline



M el Nahas Bellagio 2004 Modified 2018



What about future screening and determining risk of progression and follow up?

### **Using Predictive Models**

- Multivariate equations derived with the goal of predicting absolute risk at a given time frame
  - Not an association study of a single risk factor or biomarker
  - Emphasis on prediction over biological association

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- Early and appropriate nephrology care Nephrologist vs GP
- 2. Prognostic Information for patient and provider
- 3. Decision regarding intensity of care and timing of dialysis/transplantation education
- 4. Planning of vascular access
- 5. Planning Renal Supportive Care

#### Patient and Physician Tools – www.kidneyfailurerisk.com



### Kidney Failure Risk Equation (KFRE)

Tangri et al JAMA 2011

- Developed lab based prediction models that accurately predicted progression of CKD (C stastics 0.84-0.91)
- Models used routine lab data
- 4 variable KFRE Age , Gender, eGFR, ACR
- 8 variable KFRE + calcium, phosphate, bicarbonate and serum albumin

#### Risk Thresholds – KFRE vs eGFR

	Sensitivity	Specificity	PPV	NPV		
KFRE Threshold 3% over 5 years	0.97	0.62	0.22	0.99		
eGFR<45	0.84	0.54	0.17	0.97		
KFRE Threshold 10% over 5 years	0.86	0.80	0.33	0.98		
eGFR<30	0.62	0.84	0.30	0.95		
C-Statistic for KFRE – 0.90 C-Statistic for eGFR = 0.78						

Tangri 2017, ASN

### KFRE St George Hospital eGFR, 2 Year %, 5 Year % by ESRD Outcome n=302

Marina Wainstein, Manaul van Deventer et al



Abstract submitted to ASN 2018

#### Risk-Based Triage for Nephrology Referrals Using the Kidney Failure Risk Equation



Hingwala et al; Can J Kidney Health and Dis, 2017

### Median wait time in pre-triage and posttriage periods.



*Note.* Intervention resulted in statistically significant change in wait time (P < .001) and change in wait time trend (slope) post intervention (P = .029).

## So, the value of KFRE ?

- 1. KFRE is still simple, highly accurate and validated across diverse populations
- 2. Implementations can reduce wait times, improve pre-dialysis care and align resources with risk!
- 3. Consider implementation KFRE in CKD care
- 4. More research in particular situations is required
  - When best to refer to ROC
  - When best to place an AVF

#### How and when should it be used?

#### Implementation ? Recommended (not evidence based)

- Triage of new nephrology referrals (3% risk over 5 years)
  - >3% book in 6 months
  - >10% see within 4 weeks
- Entry into interdisciplinary care (10% over 2 years)
- Modality education and preliminary planning (20% over 2 years)
- Dialysis access insertion (40% over 2 years)



Smoking Lifestyle factors Family History and Biomarkers

### **CKD risk factor: Smoking**



Hallan et al, Am J Kid Dis 2006

## Lifestyle effects on BP

Modification	Recommendation	
Weight reduction	BMI 18-24.9 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	4.4mmHg (for 5.1kg weight lost)
Dietary sodium restriction	Reduce dietary sodium intake to no more than 2.4g sodium (or 6g salt)	4-7mmHg (for reduction by 6g in daily salt intake)
DASH diet	Fruit, vegies, low saturated and total fat	5.5-11.4mmHg (5.5 for normotensives 11.4 for hypertensives)
Physical activity	Aerobic activity for 30- 60mins/day, 3-5 days/week	5mmHg
Moderate alcohol consumption only	No more than 2 drinks per day (men) or 1 drink per day (women)	3mmHg (for 67% reduction from baseline of 3-6 drinks per day)

Tiberio M Frisoli et al Beyond salt; lifestyle modifications and blood pressure: European Heart Journal (2011) 32, 3081–3087 doi:10.1093/eurheartj/ehr379

### **CKD risk factors: Family history**



Freedman et al., JASN 1997

## **CKD risk factors: Aboriginal or Torres Strait** Islander Origin



Indigenous Australians starting treatment for ESKD

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, 2011

#### **Biomarkers of Chronic Kidney Disease**

- Serum creatinine and albuminuria form the core of most predictive models of CKD and risk of progression BUT alterations relatively late in the disease trajectory and thus are NOT suitable for very early diagnosis of CKD.
- New Biomarkers more predictive early disease
  - Cystatin C
  - β-trace protein (BTP)
  - Neutrophil gelatinase-associated lipocalin (NGAL)
  - Kidney injury molecule 1 (KIM-1)
  - Liver-type fatty acid-binding protein (L-FABP)
  - Asymmetric dimethylarginine (ADMA)
  - Uromodulin
  - micro RNA

## Schema for Discussion Novel Biomarkers

Biomarker		Sample		Outcome	
Group	Name	Blood / Urine	Image	Renal	CVD / Death
FILTRATION	BTP – β trace protein B2M- β 2microglobulin				
EXCRETION	Na + – sodium K+ - Potassium				
TUBULAR INJURY	NGAL/KIM-1/L-FAB/ NAG				
INFLAMMATION	suPAR FLC				
MINERAL METABOLISM					
ARTERIAL DISEASE					
GENTETICS					

# suPAR (Soluble Urokinase-type Plasminogen Activator receptor) and CKD Progression



Hayk et al N Engl J Med 2015; 373:1916-1925 DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa1506362

> 2292 Individuals undergoing heart Catheterisation 1335/2292 with eGFR >60ml/min/1.73m2

#### **RESULTS**

A higher suPAR level at baseline was associated with a greater decline in the eGFR during follow-up

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

An elevated level of suPAR was associated with incident CKD and an accelerated decline in eGFR

#### Serum FLC and CKD Progression

Richie J cJASN 2015



872 Participants in the UK CRISIS study (Chronic Renal Insufficiency Standards Implementation Study)

A strong independent relationship between high FLCs Levels and ESKD Peformance as a prognostic marker yet to be assessed

#### Conclusions

An elevated serum combined Ig free light chain level is an independent risk factor formortality and

#### Summary Biomarkers

- A number of biomarkers are emerging
- Many show relationships with kidney function and long term outcomes
- The ability of biomarkers to enhance our ability to diagnose, prognosticate progression of CKD beyond what is possible using existing measures of eGFR and albuminuria is uncertain
- suPAR and FLC appear promising but more testing is needed

## Summarise!!

# **Conceptual Model of CKD and Therapeutic Strategies**



# **Risk Factors & CKD**



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# **THANK YOU !**

## Available along with more kidney health fact sheets at www.kidney.org.au

#### **HOW TO LOOK AFTER** YOUR KIDNEYS

#### WHAT ARE THE KIDNEYS?

The role of the kidneys is often underrated when we think about our health. In fact, the kidneys play an important role in the daily workings of our body. They are so important that nature gave us two kidneys to cover the possibility that one might be lost to an injury They are so important that with no kidney function death occurs within a few days.

The kidneys play a major role in maintaining your general health and wellbeing. Think of them as a very sophisticated, environmentally friendly waste disposal system, which sorts non-recyclable waste from recyclable waste, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. while also cleaning your blood.

Most people are born with two kidneys, each one about the size of an adult fist, beanshaped, and weighing around 150 grams. The kidneys are located at both sides of your backbone, just under the rib cage or above the small of your back, and are protected from injury by a large padding of fat, lower ribs and several muscles.

In each kidney, blood is filtered through millions of mini-filters called 'nephrons' The excess fluid and unwanted chemicals from this filtering process become urine and are passed from the kidneys to your



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Cardiovascular disease includes all diseases and conditions of the heart and blood vessels, such as arteries and veins. The most common diseases and conditions include heart attack. heart failure, stroke, blockages in the blood vessels and, vascular kidney disease.

#### RISK FACTORS FOR CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

- Age your risk increases with age. Women are more at risk after menopause as their cholesterol levels increase
- Gender men are at increased risk
- Family history of CVD
- · Hereditary factors such as race people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin are at higher risk
- Depression



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Kidney Health

#### **Blood Pressure** and Chronic **Kidney Disease**

#### What is blood pressure? How is blood pressure

Blood pressure is the pressure of the blood in the arteries as it is pumped around the body by the heart. Blood pressure does not stay the same all the time. It changes to mee the demands of your body. It is usually at its highest when we exercise and lowest when we sleep. It can also rise due to anxiety, excitement, activity or nervousness

measured? Blood pressure is usually measured by wrapping an inflatable pressure cuff around the upper arm. Blood pressure is recorded as two numbers for example 140/90 mmHg. The larger number indicates the pressure in the arteries as the heart squeezes out blood during each beat. This is called the systolic blood pressure. The lower number indicate the pressure as the heart relaxes before the next beat. This is called

the diastolic blood pressure



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## Resources **CKD** patient fact sheets



## **Resources CKD management in General Practice** 2015 guidelines handbook

### Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) Management in General Practice

Guidance and clinical tips to help

identify, manage and refer patients

Kidney Health

Available at

### www.kidney.org.au /healthprofessionals



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# Resources

## **CKD-GO!** Phone App



Rated a 'must have' App by Medical Observer

Available on iTunes and Google Play app stores

All the best bits of the 'CKD Management in General Practice' handbook now in a handy app!



## **Resources** My Kidneys, My Health Handbook & App Free resource for patients newly diagnosed with early stage CKD

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App available on iTunes and Google Play app stores



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- Information and invitations to KHA's education and support activities
- Updates on medical research in kidney disease
- Information on advocacy opportunities and government relations issues
- Information on community and corporate events held by Kidney Health Australia

To join the kidney community, email <u>community@kidney.org.au</u>



