



Consensus Development Process Renal Standing Committee

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Constance Anderson, BSN, MBA

Vice President of Clinical Operations, Northwest Kidney Centers
Seattle, Washington

I am the Vice President of Clinical Operations at the Northwest Kidney Centers and have over 41 years of experience in the care of renal patients. I manage over 500 staff that provide dialysis services in centers and in homes. I work closely with staff and nephrologists on quality measurements and have significant expertise in the implementation and feasibility matters related to ESRD performance measures. I am a member of the Kidney Care Partners Quality Committee, Quality Committee of NKC's Board of Trustees, and the Kidney Care Quality Alliance performance measures team.

Peter Crooks, MD

Senior Consultant – Renal Business Group, Kaiser Permanente
Pasadena, California

Peter Crooks is a nephrologist and partner in the Southern California Permanente Medical Group. Served as Physician Director for the KPSC Renal Program from 1997 until 2009, Medical Director for the Medicare ESRD Managed Care Demonstration Project 1997-2001, KP Southern California site, Medical Director of Optimal Renal Care, a national renal disease management company, 2001-2005, National Kidney Foundation's K/DOQI Advisory Board 2002-2010, co-chair of the National Quality Forum Steering Committee to develop National Consensus Standards for End-Stage Renal Disease, 2007, 2009, 2011. He is currently Associate Medical Director for Operations, KPSC and Senior Consultant to its Renal Business Group.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ishir Bhan, MD, MPH

Director of Nephrology Informatics, Partners Healthcare, Massachusetts General Hospital
Boston, Massachusetts

I am a clinical researcher, educator, and medical informatician focused on improving the care of patients with chronic kidney disease. I have published extensively on topics relevant to the management of chronic kidney disease and its complications, with a particular focus on mineral and bone disease. My work has sought to identify appropriate therapeutic targets and develop an evidence base to guide optimal management. As an informatician, I have worked to directly

improve clinical practice through the implementation of novel, internally-developed software and worked to incorporate practice guidelines into existing information systems at our institution.

Lorien Dalrymple, MD, MPH

Associate Professor, University of California Davis
Sacramento, California

Dr. Lorien Dalrymple is an Associate Professor of Medicine at the University of California Davis. She is a graduate of Duke University, Colorado School of Medicine, and the University of Washington School of Public Health. She completed training in internal medicine and nephrology at the University of Washington. She is a practicing nephrologist and clinical research scientist. Her research primarily focuses on adults with chronic kidney disease requiring dialysis and includes the examination of patient- and dialysis facility-level risk factors for hospitalization; outcomes of hospitalization; transitions of care; and hospital readmission.

Elizabeth Evans, DNP

Nurse Practitioner, American Nurses Association
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Elizabeth Evans is a Nephrology Nurse Practitioner with over 12 years experience in Chronic Kidney Disease, all dialysis modalities, acute care. Received DNP from University of Iowa with a focus on nephrology. Board certified Adult Nurse Practitioner with post-masters certificate. Have an annual New Mexico nephrology symposium to promote improved quality care for nurses and other health care providers for the renal patient at a very low cost. Working with American Nephrology Nurses assoc with the local chapter as past president and presently vice-president. Working with National Kidney Foundation as Council for Advanced Practitioners co-chair for CME.

Michael Fischer, MD, MSPH

Staff Physician, Associate Professor of Medicine, Department of Veterans Affairs
Chicago, Illinois

Michael Fischer, MD, MSPH, is a nephrologist and health services researcher. He has a clinical and research background in end stage renal disease (ESRD) and chronic kidney disease (CKD). He is a member of the American Society of Nephrology Dialysis Advisory Group, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Dialysis Steering Committee, and the VA CKD/ESRD Performance Measures Working Group. In these latter roles, he has been focused on establishing CKD/ESRD clinical performance measures in VA. He is an actively funded investigator of National Institutes of Health and VA research studies in CKD/ESRD and author of numerous publications in these areas.

Stuart Greenstein, MD

Professor of Surgery, Montefiore Medical Center
Bronx, New York

After 3 years at Brooklyn College I went to Boston to attend Harvard Medical School (75-79). Those years put me on the path to becoming a surgeon. I continued with a surgical residency at NYU followed by UMDNJ, where I also did a research year. I continued my surgical training at the University of Pennsylvania (84-85) as a Vascular Fellow, followed by a Transplant Fellowship at Downstate Medical Center (85-86). My first Academic job was at Hahnemann Medical center where I was the Acting Director of Renal Transplantation. After two years, I left to go to NY and

have been a member of the Transplant Division of Montefiore Medical Center for the past 26 years.

Debra Hain, PhD, APRN, ANP-BC, GNP-BC, FAANP

Associate Professor, Adult Nurse Practitioner, Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Nursing Science, American Nephrology Nurses' Association
Boca Raton, Florida

Dr. Hain is a highly regarded expert in nephrology care who has received multiple awards in recognition of her expertise. She has presented numerous sessions on renal topics from the state to the international level. Dr. Hain is a researcher who specializes in renal and gerontologic issues and has published extensively in these fields. She has led and/or participated on many expert panels, workgroups, and committees.

Lori Hartwell

President/Founder, Renal Support Network
Glendale, California

Ms. Hartwell began her career in the renal field as a technical sales specialist for HemaMetrics (formerly In-Line Diagnostics), developers of a hematocrit-controlled hemodialysis technology. She then accepted the position of Western Regional Sales Manager for Medcomp, distributors of vascular access catheters, where she oversaw company activities in seven states. These positions allowed her to visit more than 500 freestanding and hospital-based dialysis units in 30 states. As such, she was able to develop a broad-based, multi-faceted view of the U.S. renal patient population, and to witness the importance of a mutual understanding between patients and healthcare providers in the quest for quality care. Ms. Hartwell continues to travel the world giving motivational and educational presentations to renal healthcare professionals, patients, and industry representatives, both at national nephrology conferences and at the regional/local level. Ms. Hartwell realized one of her most ambitious dreams to date, when in 1993 she founded the Renal Support Network (RSN) to instill “health, happiness, and hope” into the lives of those affected by chronic kidney disease (CKD). The influence of this patient-led organization, which started out as a Southern California grassroots effort, now extends across the U.S.

Frederick Kaskel, MD, PhD

Chief of Pediatric Nephrology, Vice Chair of Pediatrics, Children's Hospital at Montefiore
Bronx, New York

Frederick J. Kaskel, MD, PhD, is an internationally recognized clinical investigator and educator in pediatric nephrology. He is a Professor and Vice Chairman of Pediatrics and Director of Pediatric Nephrology at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University. He is a Past President of the American Society of Pediatric Nephrology and the Congress President of the 15th Scientific Congress of the International Pediatric Nephrology Association. He received his undergraduate bachelor's degree in Biology from Monmouth College, Monmouth, Ill., and his doctorate in Physiology and Medical Degree from the University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine and is a Distinguished Alumnus from both of these institutions. He trained in Pediatrics and Pediatric Nephrology at Montefiore Medical Center and Albert Einstein College of Medicine, respectively and was a recipient of an NIH National Research Service Award. Prior to returning to Montefiore Medical Center and the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in 1998 to become the Director of

Pediatric Nephrology, he was a tenured Professor of Pediatrics at the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

Dr. Kaskel's research interests range from basic science contributions in developmental renal physiology and mechanisms of renal toxicity and hypertension, to clinical and translational research in the etiologies and treatment of progressive kidney diseases secondary to nephrotic syndrome and focal segmental glomerulosclerosis and hypertension. His current research is aimed at preventing the epidemic of obesity and cardiovascular risk factors and hypertension. He has received continuous research support from the National Institutes of Health and directs the Training Program in Pediatric Nephrology which prepares new physician investigators for careers in Pediatric Nephrology. He published over 110 peer-reviewed articles, book chapters, and co-edited a major textbook on Fluids and Electrolytes in Pediatrics. He has numerous collaborations nationally and internationally and is expanding the communications between pediatric nephrology basic and clinical investigators worldwide. He currently plays a major role representing the Department of Pediatrics in the Einstein's prestigious Clinical Translational Science Award and nationally was the Chair of the CTSA Consortium Child Health Oversight Committee.

Myra Kleinpeter, MD, MPH

Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine, Tulane University School of Medicine
New Orleans, Louisiana

Myra A. Kleinpeter, Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine at Tulane University School of Medicine, serves Director of the Peritoneal Dialysis Program for Tulane/Dialysis Clinics, Inc. and director of the Tulane Nephrology Clinic at the University Medical Center, formerly known as Charity Hospital. She formerly served as Director of the Ambulatory Clinics at the Medical Center of Louisiana at New Orleans 1999-2005. She volunteers with the American Kidney Fund and National Kidney Foundation, and is a member of the Louisiana Medical Association, American Medical Association and the National Medical Association. She currently serves as a commissioner for Hospital District A, Parish of Orleans for New Orleans East Hospital and serves as Chief of Staff for the hospital.

Alan Kliger, MD

Clinical Professor of Medicine, Yale University School of Medicine
Senior Vice President Medical Affairs, Chief Quality Officer, Yale New Haven Health System
New Haven, Connecticut

Dr. Kliger is a Clinical Professor of Medicine, Yale University School of Medicine, and Senior Vice President Medical Affairs, Chief Quality Officer, Yale New Haven Health System. He served formerly as Senior Vice president, Chief Medical Officer, Hospital of Saint Raphael, New Haven Connecticut. He is a past president of the Renal Physicians Association, and serves on its Quality, Safety and Accountability Committee. He is a past president of the Forum of ESRD Networks. He is chairman of the steering committee for the NIH Frequent Hemodialysis Study, a national prospective randomized study of in-center daily and home nocturnal hemodialysis, and also chairs the steering committee for an NIH/NIDDK Consortium on Novel Therapies for Hemodialysis Patients. Dr. Kliger has received several teaching awards from the Yale house staff, and in February 2000 was the recipient of the James Colangelo award of the Connecticut National Kidney

Foundation for distinguished service to the renal community. In September 2004, he received the Maureen Lundin aakpRENALIFE Award from the American Association of Kidney Patients.

Mahesh Krishnan, MD, MPH, MBA, FASN

Vice President of Clinical Innovation and Public Policy, DaVita Healthcare Partners, Inc.
McLean, Virginia

Dr. Krishnan is well experienced in healthcare. He manages medical quality in each of DaVita's three international regions for kidney care. Additionally, he is responsible for medical policy for all DaVita businesses in DC and sits as the Chief Data Officer on the Data Governance Committee at DaVita. He is the executive sponsor for CrownWeb at DaVita and leads the Industry wide CrownWeb users group. While in practice, he was the founder of the Clinical Consulting and Research Center in Fairfax, VA. Prior to that, he was in practice in Northern Virginia for nearly five years.

Lisa Latts, MD, MSPH, MBA, FACP

Principal, LML Health Solutions and CMO, University of CA Health Plan
Denver, Colorado

Dr. Lisa Latts is Principle for LML Health Solutions, a consulting firm focused on quality and delivery system transformation. She is also the Chief Medical Officer for the University of California self-insured health plans. Prior to this, Dr. Latts was a Vice President with Anthem/WellPoint, where she led WellPoint's quality strategy, which included measuring and improving quality, health equity and patient safety. She was also instrumental in WellPoint's delivery system reforms such as the PCMHs, COEs, and ACOs. Dr. Latts lives in Denver, Colorado, where she practices part-time as an internist in the University of Colorado specializing in Medical Complications of Pregnancy.

Karilynne Lenning, MHA, LBSW

Sr. Quality Improvement Facilitator, Telligen
West Des Moines, Iowa

Karilynne Lenning MHA, LBSW earned her Bachelor's degree in Psychology from Iowa State University and a Masters in Healthcare Administration from Des Moines University. She is currently a licensed social worker and serves on the State of Iowa Social Work Board. Ms. Lenning has 20 years of social work experience in the hospital setting including extensive work in the inpatient renal dialysis unit and critical care setting. Ms. Lenning also has 3 years experience with quality measurement within various government programs including the Partnership for Patients project and the Medicare Shared Savings and Pioneer ACO Programs.

Franklin Maddux, MD, FACP

Executive Vice President for Clinical & Scientific Affairs, Chief Medical Officer, Fresenius Medical Care North America
Franklin, Tennessee

Frank Maddux is Executive Vice President for Clinical and Scientific Affairs and Chief Medical Officer of Fresenius Medical Care North America, the largest provider of services to patients with End Stage Renal Disease. Dr. Maddux has more than 25 years of health care experience, including the practice of nephrology. He received his bachelor's degree in mathematics from Vanderbilt

University and an MD degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he completed his internship, residency, chief residency and nephrology fellowship.

Andrew Narva, MD, FACP, FASN

Director, National Kidney Disease Education Program, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive Kidney Diseases –National Institutes of Health
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Director of the National Kidney Disease Education Program at the NIH since 2006. From 1989 through 2006 served as the Chief Clinical Consultant for Nephrology for the Indian Health Service, an agency of the Public Health Service providing healthcare to over one million American Indians and Alaska Natives. Have served as a member of the Medical Review Board of ESRD Network 15 and as chair of the Minority Outreach Committee of the National Kidney Foundation, on the NKF KDOQI Work Group on Diabetes in Chronic Diabetes and as a member of the JNC 8 Expert Panel. During 2002 Dr. Narva recognized as HIS Physician Leader of the Year and by the US Public Health Service as the Clinical Physician of the Year. In 2003 received the USPHS Distinguished Service Medal, the highest recognition awarded to commissioned officers. Although now at NIH, continue to serve as the Chief Clinical Consultant for Nephrology for IHS and continues to provide care for patients at Zuni Pueblo through a telemedicine clinic.

Jessie Pavlinac, MS, RD, CSR, LD

Director, Clinical Nutrition, Food & Nutrition Services, Oregon Health & Science University
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Jessie Pavlinac is the Director of Clinical Nutrition, Dept of Food and Nutrition at Oregon Health & Science University in Portland, Oregon where she has practiced for over 30 years in the areas of renal and transplant nutrition. Jessie is a Senior Instructor for the OHSU Nutrition and Dietetic Program. Jessie is the Past President of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics and of the National Kidney Foundation Council on Renal Nutrition. Jessie is a frequent presenter and author in renal nutrition and outcomes measurement. She received the National Kidney Foundation Council Recognized Renal Dietitian Award.

Michael Somers, MD

Associate Professor in Pediatrics/Director, Renal Dialysis Unit, Associate Chief Division of Nephrology, American Society of Pediatric Nephrology/Harvard Medical School/Boston Children's Hospital
Boston, Massachusetts

Dr. Somers previously served on NKF's renal measures endorsement committee and brings the unique perspective of the pediatric nephrologist to the table. He currently serves as the Director of Clinical Services and Medical Director of the Dialysis Unit at Boston Children's Hospital. He has special research interests in childhood nephrotic syndrome and pediatric renal replacement therapy. Dr. Somers has been both a regional and national leader in the pediatric nephrology community, active in the American Society of Pediatric Nephrology as a Councilor and Chair of several committees. He also has longstanding commitments to boards of the ESRD Network of New England, the New England Division of the National Kidney Foundation, and has been a member of committees for UNOS and the American Society of Nephrology.

Dodie Stein, PhD, MSW, LCSW

Medical Social Worker, Indiana University Health Home Dialysis
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dodie M. Stein, PhD, MSW, LCSW is a Medical Social Worker, specializing in renal social work since 2005. She has worked exclusively with home dialysis patients and their caregivers/families since 2008. Responsibilities have included pre-dialysis assessment and education, psychosocial assessment and care planning, psychosocial support and adjustment to illness, crisis intervention, problem-solving, grief counseling, advocacy and referrals to community resources, and assistance in managing financial issues. Prior to renal social work, Dr. Stein worked both professionally and as a volunteer in hospice, where support/counseling of caregivers and family members was a key focus. In her earlier career as an audiologist for more than two decades, much of her expertise and experience involved short-term counseling, crisis intervention, and support of caregivers of both children and adults with hearing impairment during both the diagnostic and rehabilitative aspects of care. Additional expertise included developing auditory rehabilitation strategies and curricula. Dr. Stein's expertise and interests are in proposal and program development as well as promotion of programs to benefit patients. Her current clinical and research interests focus on coping with chronic disease. Dr. Stein developed the First Steps Peer Mentor Program, the first peer mentor program for CKD and home dialysis patients in Indiana. She currently coordinates a Patient Education & Support program for home dialysis patients.

Bobbi Wager, MSN, RN

Renal Care Coordinator, American Association of Kidney Patients
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I was diagnosed with pyelonephritis at birth and was in and out of the hospital every 3 mths being treated with urinary tract infections until the age of 12 years. At 12 years of age, I underwent a surgical procedure that stopped the reflux to the kidneys. At the age of 23, I was told I had two months to live--I had to choose dialysis, transplant or death. Death was not a choice--I went the route of hemodialysis and then transplant. First kidney transplant in 1/1983 and second kidney transplant in 5/1998. I learned through his journey that to succeed in life with a chronic disease, I had to be engaged in my healthcare. One way to do that was to be involved in the medical community. Graduated from nursing school in 5/1993 and began my nursing practice in the nephrology field. In 5/2004 I graduate with my MSN. Besides going to school and becoming a nurse, I have stayed volunteering in the local, state and national renal community. As per my vitae, I have been involved in many organizations. Hopefully, through my involvement in these organizations, patients that come behind me, as patients that came before me, help pave the way for their journey with chronic kidney disease. I have been blessed with many family and friends to support my journey. These blessings have allowed me to "pay it forward."

John Wagner, MD, MBA

Director of Service, Associate Medical Director, Kings County Hospital Center
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Since 1984, Dr. Wagner has been a Board Certified nephrologist on the faculty of academic medical centers. (NYU, AECOM, Hofstra-NSLIJ, SUNY-Downstate). For more than 20 years, he served as medical director of the dialysis programs based at Long Island Jewish Medical Center in New Hyde Park, New York while serving in various capacities with ESRD Network 2, a federally contracted end stage renal disease quality improvement organization. He is president-elect of the Forum of ESRD Networks and an emeritus director of IPRO, both NQF member organizations. He has served on a Technical Expert Panel focused on ESRD Measures, served as a site leader in his current organization's Accountable Care Organization, and is presently an Associate Medical Director of a government owned essential hospital.

Joshua Zaritsky, MD, PhD

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Dr. Zaritsky received an MD along with a PhD in Molecular and Cellular Physiology from Stanford Medical School. He then did residency at Denver Children's hospital in Pediatrics followed by a fellowship in Pediatric Nephrology at Mattel Children's Hospital at UCLA. He stayed on as an Assistant Professor at UCLA for 6 years until he accepted an Associate Professorship at Jefferson Medical School along with assuming the Chief of Pediatric Nephrology position at Nemours/A.I. duPont Hospital for Children in 2013.