



45TH NATIONAL PATIENT MEETING

September 11, 2020

Time	Event	Session Title	Moderator	Speaker(s)
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Sponsor Hall Open	Visit this year's Sponsors & Exhibitors!		
9:00 a.m.	General Session	Welcome to the AAKP 45th Annual National Patient Meeting <i>Patient Voice & Patient Choice</i>	Diana Clynes, AAKP Executive Director	Richard Knight, AAKP President , former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient
9:30 a.m.	General Session	HOT TOPIC: Diabetic Kidney Disease (DKD) – News You Should Know Now	Paul T. Conway, AAKP Chair of Policy & Global Affairs; ABIM Nephrology Specialty Board; former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Susan E. Quaggin, MD, FASN , American Society of Nephrology Council; Chair of ASN Diabetic Kidney Disease Collaborative; Director, Feinberg Cardiovascular & Renal Research Institute; Chief of Nephrology & Hypertension, Department of Medicine, Northwestern University Dominic Raj, MD, DM, FASN , Chief of the Division of Kidney Diseases and Hypertension, Professor of Medicine, George Washington University School of Medicine & Health Sciences (GW SMHS); Co-Chair, AAKP & GW SMHS Global Summit on Kidney Innovations
10:30 a.m.	General Session	TRENDING ISSUE: Innovations to Diagnosis and Disrupt Disease Progression <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Metabolic Acidosis: Addressing the Unmet Need</i> <i>Post-transplant surveillance</i> <i>Advancements in Management of Lupus Nephritis</i> 	Edward V. Hickey, III, USMC, AAKP Vice President; Chair, AAKP Veterans Health Initiative; caregiver; current kidney patient	Donald E. Wesson, MD, MBA , President, Donald E. Wesson Consulting, LLC; Tricida Scientific Advisory Board; Past Chair, ABIM Foundation; Past President, Baylor Scott & White Health and Wellness Center, Professor of Medicine, Texas A&M Health Sciences Center College of Medicine Peter Maag, PhD , CareDx, Inc., Chairman & CEO

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Slowing Down the Progression of Kidney Disease</i> 		<p>Christopher Collins, MD, Medical Director, Aurinia Pharmaceuticals, Inc.</p> <p>Jeffrey Perlmutter, MD; President, Renal Physicians Association; Medical Director, Holy Cross Hospital</p>
11:45 a.m.	General Session	Kidney Research & Clinical Trials: Patients Guiding Advancements (Session 1)	Richard Knight, AAKP President, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	<p>Prabir Roy-Chaudhury, MD, PhD, FRCP (Edin); American Society of Nephrology Council; Professor of Medicine, Division of Nephrology & Hypertension, Co-Director, University of North Carolina Kidney Center</p> <p>Crystal A. Gadegbeku, MD FAHA, FACP, FASN, American Society of Nephrology Council; Section Chief, Nephrology, Hypertension & Kidney Transplantation, Lewis Katz School of Medicine, Temple University</p> <p>Sagar Nigwekar, MD, MMSc, Co-Director, Kidney Research Center, Mass General Hospital, Medical Director, FKC Chelsea, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School</p> <p>Elisa Gordon, PhD, MPH, FSfAA, FAST, Professor of Surgery (Organ Transplantation), Northwestern University</p>
1:00 p.m.	General Session	Policy Primer: Quality Adjusted Life Year Analysis: A Barrier to Timely Patient Consumer Access	Paul T. Conway, AAKP Chair of Policy & Global Affairs; ABIM Nephrology Specialty Board; former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Sara Traigle van Geertruyden, JD , Partnership to Improve Patient Care (PIPC), Executive Director

1:30 p.m.		AAKP Announcement: First Round - 2020 Annual National Award Honorees!		Legacy Award Honorees: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kidney Patient Support Group of the Year: Kindness for Kidneys, founder Sharron Rouse, AAKP Ambassador • Peter Lundin, MD Award: Barry Smith, MD, PhD • Samuel Orenstein Award: Erin Kahle, MPA, CNP, Director of Stakeholder Operations, AAKP Center for Patient Engagement & Advocacy • Dominick Gentile, MD Memorial Award: IPRO ESRD Network of the South Atlantic, Network 6 (GA, NC, SC)
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Sponsor Hall Open	Visit this year's Sponsors & Exhibitors!		
1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Sponsor Spotlight Session	CareDx, Inc.: Managing Kidney Health after Transplant: Tips and New Technology for Long-Term Health		
2:30 p.m.	Breakout Session A	Disease Management: Advancements in Home Dialysis Therapies	Melissa Bensouda, AAKP Ambassador, former transplant recipient, current home hemodialysis patient	Rebecca Schmidt, DO, FACP, FASN; Professor & Section Chief, J.W. Ruby Memorial Hospital, West Virginia University School of Medicine; Past President, Renal Physicians Association (RPA)
	Breakout Session B	Advocacy Skill & Talent Development: (Research) How to Collaborate with Researchers/Principal Investigators	Suzanne Ruff, AAKP National Board of Director; living organ donor	Lisa Stewart, MA, Senior Engagement Officer, Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)
	Breakout Session C	Advocacy Skill and Talent Development: (Research/Writing): How to Write, Co-Author and Publish in Medical Journals	Jennifer Duplessie, AAKP Marketing & Communications Manager	Shari Leventhal, Executive Editor, Clinical Journal of the American Society of Nephrology (CJASN)
3:15 p.m.	Breakout Session A	Disease Management: Managing Medications: Pharmacists & Patients Working as a Team	Dale Rogers, AAKP National Board of Director; AAKP	Wendy St. Peter, PharmD, FCCP, FASN, FNKF; Professor, College of Pharmacy, University of Minnesota

		<u><i>This educational session is proudly sponsored by CareDx, Inc.</i></u>	Ambassador; former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	
	Breakout Session B	Disease Management: Understanding Gout and Kidney Disease	Kent Bressler, AAKP National Board of Director; AAKP Ambassador; pre-emptive transplant recipient	Christopher Parker, MD; Chief of Rheumatology, Austin Diagnostic Clinic; Medical Advisor, Alliance for Gout Awareness (AGA)
	Breakout Session C	Advocacy Skill and Talent Development: (Social Media): Maximizing Your Social Media Platforms <u><i>This educational session is proudly sponsored by Horizon Therapeutics.</i></u>	Jennifer Duplessie, AAKP Marketing & Communications Manager	Jennifer Jones, USMC, AAKP National Board of Director; AAKP Ambassador; former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient
4:00 p.m.	Breakout Session A	Disease Management: Breaking the Code: The Need for Plain Language in Kidney Care <u><i>This educational session is proudly sponsored by Eurofins Transplant Genomics.</i></u>	Paul T. Conway, AAKP Chair of Policy & Global Affairs; ABIM Nephrology Specialty Board; former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Allison Tong, MM, MPH (Hons), PhD, School of Public Health, The University of Sydney (Australia)
	Breakout Session B	Disease Management: Pain Management: Understanding Over the Counter and Prescription Medications	Melissa Bensouda, AAKP Ambassador, former transplant recipient, current home hemodialysis patient	Patricia D'Antonio, BSPHarm, MS, MBA, BCGP, Vice President, Gerontological Society of America; Vice Chair Patient Access to Pain Relief Coalition (PAPR)
	Breakout Session C	Advocacy Skill and Talent Development: (Media): Working Effectively with Reporters	Erin Kahle, MPA, CNP, AAKP Director of Stakeholder Operations, Center for Patient Engagement & Advocacy	David White, Policy & Communications Specialist, American Society of Nephrology (ASN)

4:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.		Close of Day Remarks		Richard Knight, AAKP President , former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Sponsor Hall Open	Visit this year's Sponsors & Exhibitors!		
5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Sponsor Spotlight Session	BD: Non-Surgical AV Fistulas: A Patient Perspective		
5:00 p.m.		<p>Check out the AAKP After Hours Resources!</p> <p>Stop by the Networking Lounge!</p> <p><i>Click on the tabs found on the navigation bar at the top of the web page.</i></p>		

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9:00 a.m.	General Session	Welcome to Day 2 of the AAKP 45th Annual National Patient Meeting		Diana Clynes, AAKP Executive Director
9:05 a.m.	General Session	HOT TOPIC: Artificial Implantable Organs – Meeting the Global Demand for Dialysis Alternatives	<p>Paul T. Conway, AAKP Chair of Policy & Global Affairs; ABIM Nephrology Specialty Board; former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient</p> <p>Brian Hess, AAKP National Board of Director, former transplant recipient, current home hemodialysis patient</p>	<p>Shuvo Roy, PhD, The Kidney Project, Technical Director; Professor of Bioengineering, School of Pharmacy, University of California, San Francisco</p> <p>Victor Gura, MD, Innovator, WAK 3.0</p> <p>William Fissell, MD, The Kidney Project, Medical Director; Associate Professor of Medicine, Dept. of Medicine, Vanderbilt University</p>

10:05 a.m.	General Session	TRENDING ISSUE: Harnessing Patient Demand for Change – Creating a Global Consortium for Artificial Kidneys	Paul T. Conway, AAKP Chair of Policy & Global Affairs; ABIM Nephrology Specialty Board; former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Murray Sheldon, MD , Associate Director for Technology and Innovations, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, U.S. Food & Drug Administration
10:30 a.m.	General Session	Advancements & Innovation in Kidney Care: What the Future Holds – Latest News in Transplantation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Understanding the Kidney Transplant Allocation System</i> • <i>Advancements in Monitoring Post-Kidney Transplant Health</i> 	Dan Abel, AAKP Secretary, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Richard Formica, JR. MD , President, American Society of Transplantation; Professor of Medicine & Surgery, Director of Transplant Medicine, Director Outpatient Transplantation Services, Medical Director Adult & Pediatric Kidney Transplantation, Medical Director Pancreas Transplantation, Yale School of Medicine Muralidharan Jagadeesan, MD, FACP, FASN ; Chairman of Transplant Medicine; Medical Director, Kidney-Pancreas Transplant Program, The George Washington University
11:15 a.m.	General Session	Kidney Research & Clinical Trials: Patients Guiding Advancements (Session 2)	Richard Knight, AAKP President, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Katherine R. Tuttle, MD, FASN, FACP, FNKF , Executive Director for Research, Providence Health Care; Investigator, Kidney Precision Medicine Project; Professor of Medicine, University of Washington; Co-PI, Institute of Translational Health Sciences Pamela Tenaerts, MD, MBA , Executive Director, Clinical Trials Transformation Initiative (CTTI)
12:00 p.m.	General Session	I am a Kidney Voter: Voice and Impact for 2020	Diana Clynes, AAKP Executive Director	Erin Kahle, MPA, CNP, Director of Stakeholder Operations, Center for Patient Engagement & Advocacy
12:15 p.m.	General Session	Under the U.S. Capitol Dome: Current & Emerging Legislative Issues	Richard Knight, AAKP President, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Peggy Tighe , American Society of Transplant Surgeons, Principal, Government Relations/Legislation Rob Blaser , Renal Physicians Association, Director of Public Policy

				Crystal A. Gadegbeku, MD , American Society of Nephrology, Councilor; Founding Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee; Member, Public Policy Board; Temple University, Lewis Katz School of Medicine, Professor of Medicine and Section Chief of Nephrology, Hypertension and Kidney Transplantation
1:00 p.m.	General Session	America’s Veterans: Kidney Health During Covid-19	Edward V. Hickey, III, USMC, AAKP Vice President; Chair Veterans Health Initiative; caregiver, current kidney patient	Rudy Rodriguez, MD ; Chair, ABIM Nephrology Specialty Board; Vice-Chair, Dept. of Medicine, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Puget Sound Health Care System, State of Washington Jennifer Jones, USMC, AAKP National Board of Director, AAKP Ambassador
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2:45 p.m.	Breakout Session A	Disease Management: The Importance of Kidney Nutrition <i>This educational session is proudly sponsored by Akebia Therapeutics.</i>	Oliver “Chef O” Hale, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Barry Smith, MD, PhD ; President, Applied Medical Research, Inc.; Dreyfus Health Policy & Research Center
	Breakout Session B	Disease Management: Caregiver Corner: Taking care of yourself while caring for your loved one <i>This educational session is proudly sponsored by Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals.</i>	Dammeon Marshall, AAKP Ambassador, current kidney patient	Bobbie Reed, AAKP Ambassador, Caregiver Ashley Martin, AAKP Ambassador, Caregiver

	Breakout Session C	Advocacy Skill and Talent Development: (Congress) How to talk to Elected Officials & Staff	Erin Kahle, MPA, CNP, AAKP Director of Stakeholder Operations, Center for Patient Engagement & Advocacy	David White , Policy & Communications Specialist, American Society of Nephrology (ASN)
	Breakout Session D	Advocacy Skill and Talent Development: (Social Media): How to tell Your Story Online <i>This educational session is proudly sponsored by NxStage Medical, Inc.</i>	Jim Myers, AAKP National Board of Director, AAKP Ambassador, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Jennifer Duplessie, AAKP Marketing & Communications Manager
3:30 p.m.	Breakout Session A	Disease Management: Advancements in Dialysis Vascular Access Options	Dan Abel, AAKP Secretary, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	JD Meler, MD , Vice President of Medical Affairs; Benton, Dickinson, and Company (BD) Shawn Gage, PA-C , Vice President of Research and Development, Chief Operating Officer, InnAVasc Medical, Inc.
	Breakout Session B	Disease Management: Muscle Contraction Therapy Program	Edward Drake, AAKP Ambassador, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Enrico Benedetti, MD, FACS , Professor & Head of Surgery; the Warren H. Cole Chair in Surgery, University of Illinois Hospital
	Breakout Session C	Advocacy Skill and Talent Development: (Social Media): How to do a Podcast	Jennifer Duplessie, AAKP Marketing & Communications Manager	Kent Bressler, AAKP National Board of Director; AAKP Ambassador; Host, <i>Kent's Stories</i>
	Breakout Session D	Advocacy Skill and Talent Development: (Media): How to Be an Effective Talk Radio Guest	Diana Clynes, AAKP Executive Director	Steve Belcher, RN, BSN, MS , Executive Director, Urban Kidney Alliance; Host, World Kidney News
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