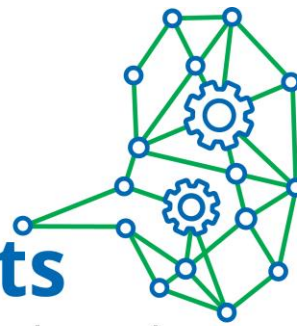


Kidney Patients

Mobilizing for Innovation & Independence



AAKP 46th National Patient Meeting

September 24, 2021

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Time	Event	Session Title	Moderator	Speaker(s)
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Sponsor Hall Open	<p>Visit this year's Sponsors & Exhibitors!</p> <p><i>Earn points and win prizes by attending sessions, downloading booth material, watching company videos, engaging with vendors, and more!</i></p>		
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	<p>Welcome</p> <p>Poster Presentation</p>	<p>Welcome to the AAKP 46th Annual National Patient Meeting: <i>Mobilizing for Innovation & Independence</i></p> <p>The Decade of the Kidney™: Bridging Oceans with Patients' & other Stakeholders' IDEAS</p>	<p>Paul T. Conway, AAKP Chair of Policy & Global Affairs; ABIM Nephrology Specialty Board; former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient</p>	<p>Diana Clynes, AAKP Executive Director</p> <p>Fokko Wieringa, PhD, (<i>2021 KidneyX Artificial Kidney Prize Winner</i>); Principal Scientist, IMEC, The Netherlands; Dutch Kidney Foundation; Member, The Kidney Health Initiative (EU)</p>

	General Session	<p>Global Kidney Voices™: Leading the Charge - Kidney Patients Driving Global Innovation and Independence</p> <p><i>Session presented by The Decade of the Kidney™</i></p>	Richard Knight, AAKP President, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	<p>Julianna Blum, PhD, Co-Founder & Executive Vice President, Corporate Development, Humacyte</p> <p>Kathleen Tighe, Vice President, Head, U.S. Public Affairs and Patient Advocacy - Rare Diseases, Sanofi Genzyme</p> <p>Rosemarie Sellati, Global Head of Patient Advocacy-Transplant, Novartis</p> <p>Melissa Penn, JD, MPH, Deputy Director of Advocacy, Bayer Pharmaceuticals, Inc.</p> <p>Daniel Wilson, MD, Senior Medical Director, Bayer Pharmaceuticals</p>
Wellness Break (5 min)				
11:35 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	General Session	<p>Trending Issue: Innovation Starts with Research: Including Patients at the Table</p>	Suzanne Ruff, AAKP Treasurer, living donor	<p>Melissa West, Senior Director for Strategic Relations and Patient Engagement, Alliance for Kidney Health, American Society of Nephrology</p> <p>Claudia Dahlerus, PhD, Assistant Research Scientist, Nephrology, Internal Medicine, Michigan Medicine, University of Michigan – Kidney Epidemiology and Cost Center</p> <p>Elisa Gordon, PhD, MPH, Professor, Department of Surgery-Division of Transplantation, Center for Health Services and Outcomes Research, and Center for Bioethics & Medical Humanities, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine</p> <p>Wendy L. St. Peter, PharmD, FCCP, FASN, FNKF, Professor, College of Pharmacy, University of Minnesota</p>

				Christine Broderick , Engagement Officer, Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)
Wellness Break (5 min)				
1:05 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.	General Session	Hot Topic: Coronavirus and Kidney Patients Update – A CDC Expert Session	Janice Lea, MD, MSc, FASN, AAKP Board of Director, Executive Committee	Shannon Novosad, MD, MPH, LCDR , Medical Officer, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
Wellness Break (5 min)				
1:55 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	General Session	Hot Topic: Delta Virus, Vaccines, & Kidney Patients: Ongoing Threats to Weak Immune Systems and Kidney Transplants	Erin Kahle, MPA, CNP, AAKP Director of Patient Insights, Data Analytics, & Advocacy	Robert Montgomery, MD, DPhil, FACS , Chair of the Department of Surgery, Director of the NYU Langone Transplant Institute, Heart Transplant Recipient
Wellness Break (5 min)				
2:35 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.	General Session	Disease Management: Veterans Affairs Responds to Kidney Disease <i>Session presented by the AAKP Veterans Health Initiative</i>	Edward V. Hickey, III, USMC, AAKP Vice President; Chair, AAKP Veterans Health Initiative; caregiver; current kidney patient	Paul Palevsky, MD , Professor of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine; Deputy Director of the VA Kidney Disease and Dialysis Program; President, National Kidney Foundation
3:05 p.m. – 4:05 p.m.	Sponsor Hall Open	Visit this year’s Sponsors & Exhibitors! <i>Earn points and win prizes by downloading booth material, watching company videos, engaging with vendors and more!</i>		
3:05 p.m. – 4:05 p.m.	Networking Lounge	Join one of the following discussions in the Networking Lounge! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AAKP Delicious – Learn about kidney-friendly nutrition! • AAKP Kidney Pals – All about kidney kids! • Open discussions! 		

3:10 p.m. – 3:35 p.m.	Sponsor Spotlight	Natera: Unlocking Answers to Your Kidney Management with Genetic Testing		Phil Gauthier, MD, MBA, Transplant Nephrologist and Senior Medical Director, Natera Trudy McKanna, MS, Certified Genetic Counselor, Director of Medical Education, Natera
3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Sponsor Spotlight	BD: James and Brandy: An EndoAVF Story		
Wellness Break (5 min)				
4:05 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.	Breakout Session A	Disease Management: Rare Diseases and Understanding the Implications of Genetic Testing <i>This session is proudly sponsored by Travers Therapeutics.</i>	Catherine Campbell, AAKP Ambassador, current ESRD patient, seeking a living donor transplant	Richard Nelson, Founder and Chair, Rare Kidney Disease Foundation Anna Greka, MD, PhD; Institute Member, Director of the Kidney Disease Initiative, Broad Institute of MIT
4:05 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.	Breakout Session B	Disease Management: Advancements in Diabetic Kidney Disease Treatment <i>This session is proudly sponsored by Baxter.</i>	Jonathan Traylor, AAKP Ambassador, transplant recipient	Stephen Fadem, MD, FACP, FASN; Chair, AAKP Medical Advisory Board; Clinical Professor of Medicine, Baylor College of Medicine, Section of Nephrology
4:05 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.	Breakout Session C	Advocacy & Engagement Training: How to be an effective participant in clinical trials and research efforts <i>This session is proudly sponsored by Sanofi-Genzyme.</i>	Melissa Bensouda, AAKP Ambassador, home hemodialysis patient	Scott Toner, President and Founder, BridgeView Strategies, former AAKP Board of Director
Wellness Break (5 min)				
4:55 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.	Breakout Session A	Disease Management: Advancements in AKI: New Research in Acute Kidney Injury	Richard Knight, AAKP President, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Ivonne H. Schulman, MD; Program Director, Translational and Clinical Studies of Acute Kidney Injury; National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK); Division

		<i>This session is proudly sponsored by Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals.</i>		of Kidney, Urologic and Hematologic Diseases (KUH) Kaleab Z. Abebe, PhD , Associate Professor of Medicine, Biostatistics, and Clinical and Translational Sciences; Director, Center for Clinical Trials and Data Coordination; Director, Center for Research and Health Care Data Center; University of Pittsburg Marla Levy , a proud survivor of four open heart surgeries, Acute Kidney Injury (AKI), and Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD)
4:55 p.m. – 5:35 p.m.	Breakout Session B	Disease Management: Race in Kidney Disease Research and Diagnosis <i>This session is proudly sponsored by Medtronic.</i>	David Rodriguez, AAKP Board of Director, Executive Committee, Ambassador, current transplant recipient	Keith C. Norris, MD, PhD , Professor of Medicine, UCLA Division of General Internal Medicine and Health Services Research
4:55 p.m. – 5:05 p.m.	Breakout Session C	Advocacy & Engagement Training: Patient Voice, Patient Choice – I am a KidneyVoter™ <i>This session is proudly sponsored by Horizon Therapeutics.</i>	Diana Clynes, AAKP Executive Director	Erin Kahle, MPA, CNP , AAKP Director of Patient Insights, Data Analytics, & Advocacy
Wellness Break (5 min)				
5:50 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.		Close of Day Remarks		Edward V. Hickey, III , USMC, AAKP Vice President; Chair, AAKP Veterans Health Initiative; caregiver; current kidney patient
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Sponsor Hall Open	Visit this year’s Sponsors & Exhibitors! <i>Earn points and win prizes by downloading booth material, watching company videos, engaging with vendors and more!</i>		

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6:05 p.m. – 6:35 p.m.	Sponsor Spotlight	<p>CareDx: Kidney Transplant? There’s an app for that!</p>		<p>Koren Axelrod, Senior Business Analyst, Digital Products, CareDx, Inc.</p> <p>Patrick O. Gee, Sr., PhD, JLC, Founder & CEHD, iAdvocate, Inc., AAKP Ambassador, Kidney Transplant Recipient</p> <p>Alexandra Flaxman, Engagement Manager, CareDx, Kidney Transplant Recipient</p> <p>Victor M. Blanco, Outreach & Education Transplant Coordinator, Texas Transplant Center, Kidney Transplant Recipient</p> <p>Jay A. Graham, MD, MBA, FACS, Abdominal Transplant Surgeon at Montefiore – Einstein Center for Transplantation</p>
7:00 p.m. – 11:59 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 event platform.</i></p>		

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				<p>Bioengineering and Therapeutics Sciences and Surgery</p> <p>William H. Fissell, MD; Medical Director, The Kidney Project; Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine, Vanderbilt University Medical Center</p> <p>Janis Naeve, Managing Director, Amgen Ventures</p> <p>Victor Gura, MD, Founder & Innovator, Wearable Artificial Kidney (WAK 3.0), Cedars-Sinai Medical Center Los Angeles</p>
Wellness Break (5 min)				
12:15 p.m. – 12:50 p.m.	General Session	Trending Issue: Innovations in Alternative Therapies to Dialysis (Xenotransplantation)	Dale Rogers, AAKP Secretary, Ambassador, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	David K.C. Cooper, MD, PhD , (2021 <i>KidneyX Artificial Kidney Prize Winner</i>); co-director, Xenotransplantation Program, University of Alabama, Birmingham School of Medicine
Wellness Break (5 min)				
12:55 p.m. – 1:35 p.m.	General Session	Trending Issue: Artificial intelligence/ Machine Learning (AI/ML) - Enabled Medical Devices: Tailoring a Regulatory Framework to Encourage Responsible Innovation in AI/ML	Edward V. Hickey, III, USMC, AAKP Vice President; Chair, AAKP Veterans Health Initiative; caregiver; current kidney patient	Matt Diamond, MD, PhD, CMO , Digital Health Center of Excellence, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Wellness Break (5 min)				
1:40 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	General Session	Hot Topic: Innovations in Home Health - Lessons from COVID-19 and Impact on Future Kidney Care	Jennifer Jones, USMC; AAKP Board of Director, Executive Committee; Ambassador; former transplant recipient; current dialysis patient	<p>Jesse Roach, MD, Senior Medical Director, Health Equity, CVS Kidney Care</p> <p>Mary Gellens, MD, Senior Medical Director, Worldwide Medical Baxter Healthcare, Baxter International Inc.</p> <p>Abi Sundaramoorthy, MD, MBA, Executive Vice President, Clinical Enterprise, Somatus</p>

Wellness Break (5 min)				
2:35 p.m. – 3:25 p.m.	General Session	Under the U.S. Capitol Dome: Current and Emerging Legislative Issues	Paul T. Conway, AAKP Chair of Policy & Global Affairs; ABIM Nephrology Specialty Board; former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	Peggy Tighe , Principal, Government Relations/Legislation, American Society of Transplant Surgeons (ASTS) Rob Blaser , Director of Public Policy, Renal Physicians Association (RPA)
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3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Sponsor Spotlight Session	Alliance for Gout Awareness: Here for Patients Like You		Josie Cooper , Executive Director, Alliance for Gout Awareness
4:30 p.m. – 4:55 p.m.	Breakout Session A	Disease Management: AAKP Peer Mentorship Project: Coping with Kidney Disease and Choosing (or Changing to) a Treatment Right for You! <i>The Enhanced Patient Engagement to Improve Patient-Centered Outcomes among Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) Project is supported by a Eugene</i>	Cecilia Santana, AAKP Ambassador; Stakeholder, Enhanced Patient Engagement to Improve Patient-Centered Outcomes among Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) Project, transplant recipient	Janice Lea, MD, MSc, FASN; AAKP Board of Director, Executive Committee; Professor of Medicine at Emory University; Clinical Director of Nephrology & the Chief Medical Director, Emory Dialysis

		<p>Washington Engagement Award (AAKP-EADI-14537) from the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI).</p> <p><i>This session is proudly sponsored by BD.</i></p>		
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Breakout Session B	<p>Disease Management: Caring for Your Kidney Kid in General and During COVID</p> <p><i>Session presented by the AAKP Pediatric Kidney Pals Initiative</i></p>	Jack Lennon, AAKP Ambassador, transplant recipient	Jens Goebel, MD , Professor of Pediatrics; Section Head (Pediatric Nephrology); Medical Director, Kidney Transplantation Children's Hospital Colorado
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Breakout Session C	<p>Advocacy & Engagement Training: Practical Steps in Sharing YOUR Story to Support Finding a Living Organ Donor</p>	Kent Bressler, AAKP Board of Director, Ambassador, pre-emptive transplant recipient	Risa Simon , AAKP Ambassador; Founder, TransplantFirst Academy, pre-emptive transplant recipient
Wellness Break (5 min)				
5:05 p.m. – 5:40 p.m.	Breakout Session A	<p>Disease Management: Disrupting Disease Progression through Community Engagement</p> <p><i>This session is proudly sponsored by AstraZeneca.</i></p>	Sara Eve Schaeffer, MBA, MA, RD; AAKP Board of Director; Executive Director of CMS' Technical Assistance, Quality Improvement, and Learning (TAQIL), Health Services Advisory Group, Inc. (HSAG)	Barry Smith, PhD, MD ; AAKP Board of Director; Founder, Dreyfus Health Policy and Research Center
5:05 p.m. – 5:50 p.m.	Breakout Session B	<p>Disease Management: Advancements in Identification and Diagnosis of Kidney Diseases</p> <p><i>This session is proudly sponsored by Novartis.</i></p>	Erin Kahle, MPA, CNP, AAKP Director of Patient Insights, Data Analytics, & Advocacy	<p>Barry I. Freedman, MD, FACP, Chief of Nephrology, Wake Forest School of Medicine</p> <p>Jonathan Himmelfarb, MD, (2021 KidneyX Artificial Kidney Prize Winner); Co-Director of the University of Washington Center for Dialysis Innovation, Director of the Kidney Research Institute, Professor of Medicine and Adjunct Professor of Bioengineering</p>

				David Davenport , Personalized Medicine Coalition (PMC), Manager, Public Policy and Secretary to the Board
5:05 p.m. – 5:40 p.m.	Breakout Session C	<p>Advocacy and Engagement Training: Top Ten Things to Know to be Effective on Camera – from Zoom to Media Interviews</p> <p><i>Session presented by Briar Patch Media, LLC. AAKP’s strategic national media partner.</i></p>	Jim Myers, AAKP Board of Director, Ambassador, former dialysis patient, current transplant recipient	<p>Jonathan St. John, Owner/Senior Editor, Briar Patch Media, LLC</p> <p>Jennifer Rate, AAKP Marketing and Communications Manager</p>
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AAKP After Hours – Featured OnDemand Content

<p>AAKP Addresses Clinical Trials, Diversity, & Inclusion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Trials: Expanding Opportunities for All Kidney Patients in the Midst of COVID-19 and Beyond (Click to Watch) • Richard Knight, AAKP President, presents Patient Perspective on Diversity in COVID-19 Clinical Trials (Click to Watch) • Paul T. Conway, AAKP Chair of Policy and Global Affairs’ public comment to National Academies of Sciences’ draft COVID-19 Vaccine Allocation framework (Click to Watch)
<p>AAKP Allies & Medical Expert Filmed Segments on Clinical Trials</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Trials: Best Practices for Inclusivity in Rare/Genetic Conditions (Click to Watch) • Who Is at Risk? Understanding the Connection Between APOL 1 Gene and Kidney Diseases (Click to Watch) • Kidney Research and Clinical Trials: Patients Guiding Advancements (Session 1) (Click to Watch) • Kidney Research and Clinical Trials: Patients Guiding Advancements (Session 2) (Click to Watch) • How Innovation and Community Engagement Furthers Kidney Research at NIDDK (Click to Watch) • Clinical Trials in Kidney Disease: International Perspective on Patient Engagement (Click to Watch)
<p>AAKP Allies & Medical Expert Filmed Segments on Diabetic Kidney Disease</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Identification and Intervention Advancements in Diabetic Kidney Disease (Click to Watch) • Kidney Disease Management and Preemptive Treatments for Diabetic Kidney Disease (Click to Watch) • Emerging Research in Kidney Disease: Preemptive Treatments for Diabetic Kidney Disease (Click to Watch) • Treatment for CKD in Diabetes (Click to Watch)
<p>AAKP Allies & Medical Expert Filmed Segments on Home Dialysis Therapies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advancing Home Dialysis Care: Aligning Policies Across Agencies (Click to Watch) • A Global Need to Support an Ever-Growing Home Dialysis Community (Click to Watch)

<p>AAKP Allies & Medical Expert Filmed Segments on Emerging Research</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Kidney Project: Updates to an artificial implantable organ (Click to Watch) • Identification and Diagnosis of Kidney Diseases: Kidney Precision Medicine Project (Click to Watch) • Emerging Research with Global Implications: Advancements Toward Artificial Organs (Click to Watch) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ KidneyX Artificial Kidney Prize (Click to Watch) ○ The Kidney Project (Click to Watch) ○ WAK 3.0 (Click to Watch)
<p>AAKP-hosted COVID-19 Educational Webinar Series</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delta Virus, Vaccines, & Kidney Patients: Ongoing Threats to Weak Immune Systems and Kidney Transplants (Click to Watch) • Coronavirus and Kidney Patients USA Centers for Disease Control Expert Webinar: Update on Vaccinations & Variant Strains hosted by AAKP (Click to Watch) • Kidney Patients and the COVID-19 Vaccine (Click to Watch) • Coronavirus and Kidney Patients: Planning for a Safe Holiday Season (Click to Watch) • Coronavirus and Kidney Patients USA Centers for Disease Control Expert Webinar hosted by AAKP (Click to Watch) • Coronavirus and Transplant Patients: Get the Facts, Save a Life hosted by AAKP in partnership with American Society of Transplantation and American Society of Transplant Surgeons (Click to Watch) • Taking Care of Your Dialysis Access During the COVID-19 Pandemic (Click here to Watch) • Fighting Coronavirus Upstream - What Early Stage Kidney Disease Patients Need to Know (Click to Watch) • New American Telemedicine Policies & Utilization in the COVID-19 Era: What Patients Should Know (Click to Watch) • The USA Department of Veterans Affairs Kidney Program's Response to COVID-19 (Click to Watch) • Kidney Patient Mental Health Management During COVID-19: Staying Connected while Staying at Home (Click to Watch) • Kidney Patient Nutrition & COVID-19: The Importance of Keeping it Kidney Friendly (Click Here to Watch) • Clinical Trials: Expanding Opportunities for All Kidney Patients in the Midst of COVID-19 and Beyond (Click to Watch) • Diversity and Inclusion in COVID-19 Trials: Insights and Tactics (Click to Watch)

AAKP Allies & Medical Expert Filmed Segments on COVID-19

- **Top Health Concerns: COVID-19 Current Efforts on Variants and Need for Vaccinations** ([Click to Watch](#))
- **Top Health Concerns: COVID-19 Implications on Transplant Patients** ([Click to Watch](#))
- **America's Veterans: Kidney Health During COVID-19** ([Click to Watch](#))
- **How Innovation and Community Engagement Furthers Kidney Research at NIDDK** ([Click to Watch](#))
- **Coronavirus: Treatment Immunosuppressed Populations during a Global Pandemic** ([Click to Watch](#))
- **Coronavirus: Kidney Community Stakeholder Response to Global Pandemic** ([Click to Watch](#))
- **Coronavirus: America's Largest Kidney Innovation Collaborative Responds** ([Click to Watch](#))
- **Coronavirus: Observations of Healthcare Systems Responses to Pandemic (Nonprofit, Private, and VA)** ([Click to Watch](#))
- **Coronavirus: Accelerating the Adoption of Telehealth & Telemedicine** ([Click to Watch](#))
- **Coronavirus: Transitioning Patients from Telehealth & Telemedicine Back to In-person Care** ([Click to Watch](#))