



Addressing Disparities in Diabetes With Project ECHO: A Focus on Diabetes-Related CKD

An Initiative Addressing Complex Diabetes Management in the Primary Care Setting

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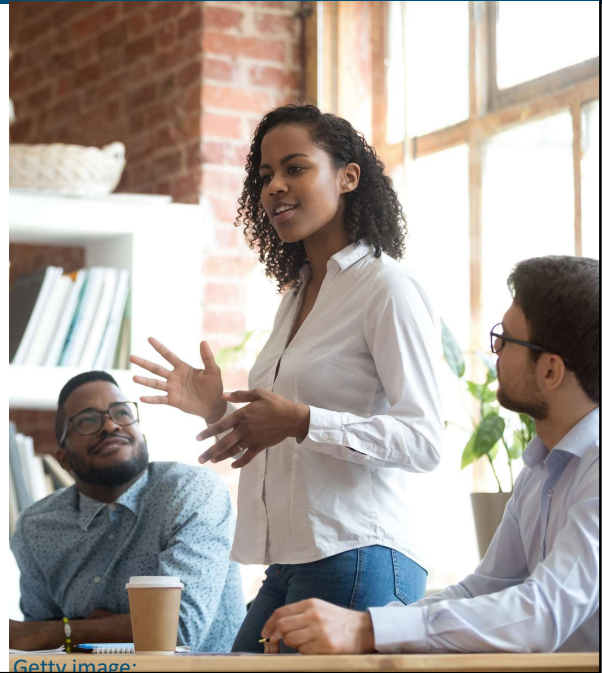
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Our Goal

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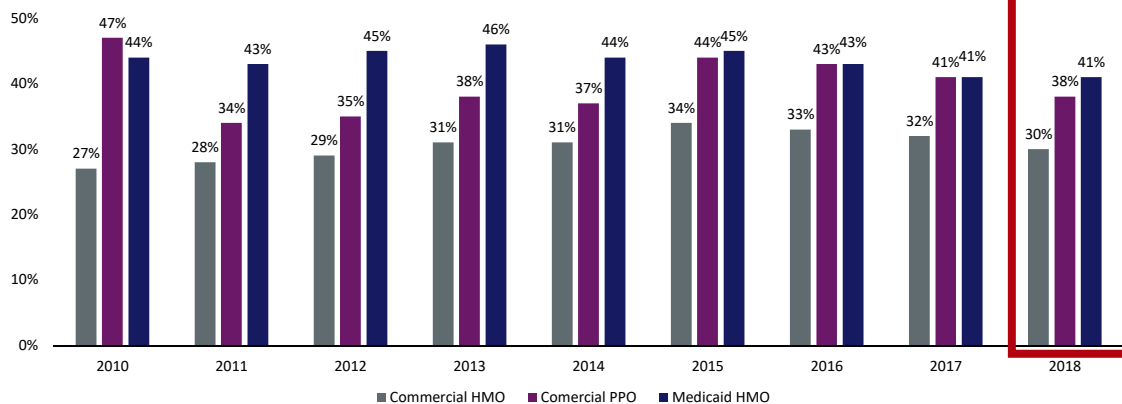
We seek to engage clinicians in the primary care setting by empowering and increasing their capacity to screen, diagnose, and manage renal complications of diabetes using the Project ECHO® (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) model.



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System Failure (Pre-Covid): Comprehensive Diabetes Care

National HEDIS Report Card:
HbA1C Control > 9%



<https://www.ncqa.org/hedis/measures/comprehensive-diabetes-care/>

Diabetes-Related CKD: System Failure



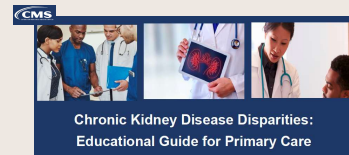
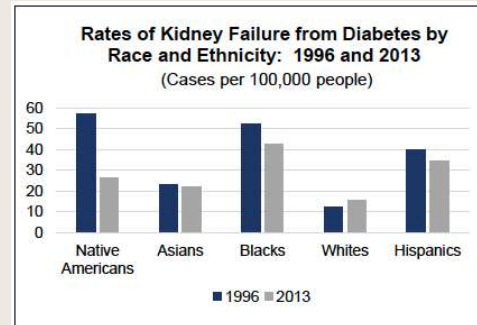
1 in 10 adults in
US have diabetes
(double the burden in community
health centers)

1 in 3
with diabetes have CKD



3 in 4 with DKD (stage 3 - 4)
are **UNAWARE!**

Addressing Racial Disparities: Reasons for Hope



CDC National Diabetes Statistic Report; Bullock *et al.* *MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep.* 2017;66:26-32; Narva A. *Am J Kidney Dis.* 2018;71(3):407-411.

#HealthEquityNow

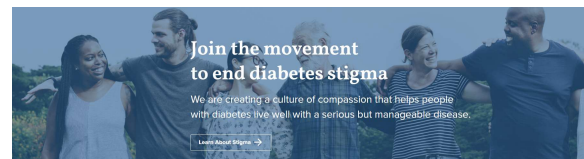


Health Equity Bill of Rights

The current health pandemic and its disproportionate toll on minority, low-income, and historically underserved Americans shines a troubling light on historic, systemic inequities in American health care. It is time for health equity now.

The **Health Equity Bill of Rights** envisions a future without unjust health disparities. It ensures the 122 million Americans living with diabetes and prediabetes, along with the millions more who are at high risk for diabetes – no matter their race, income, zip code, age, education or gender – get equal access to the most basic of human rights: their health. These rights include:

dStigmatize



Resources about diabetes stigma

Click below to learn more about stigma and how to reduce its impact, as well as general information about diabetes:

- Language Tools
- Research
- Basic Information About Diabetes
- Organizations



<https://www.diabetes.org/healthequitynow>

<https://www.dstigmatiz>

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Project ECHO Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes

Response to:

1. Poor outcomes and system failure
2. Lack of specialists
3. Increase disparities in care
4. Lack of confidence in primary care healthcare professions managing complex medical conditions



www.echo.unm.edu



www.diabetescovid.stanford.edu



www.echodiabetes.org

Project ECHO® Mission:

Democratizing medical knowledge and get best practice care to underserved people all over the world.

How ECHO® works:

ECHO is a hub-spoke model that connects providers with specialists through ongoing, interactive, **telementoring** sessions.



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<https://cvent.me/gvDxg3> website will have additional resources related to diabetes and CKD in primary care



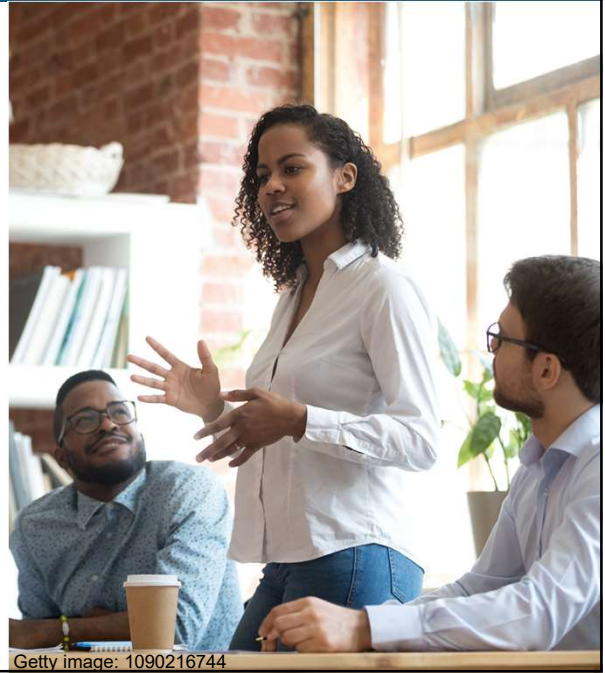
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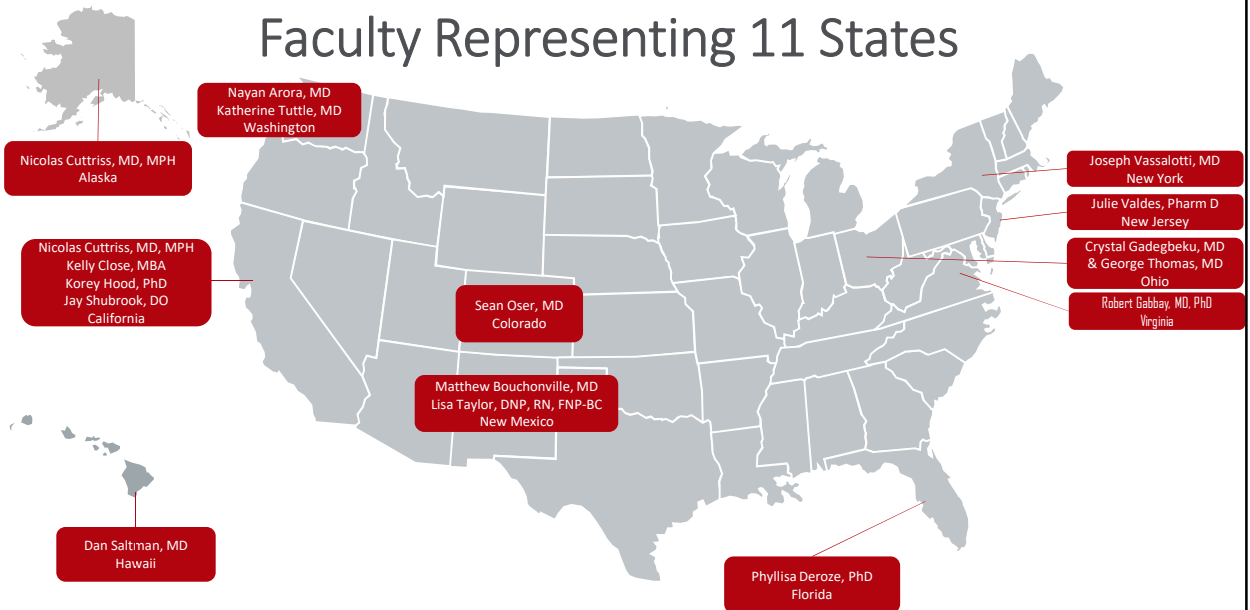
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January 19: Approaches to Identifying CKD & the New Kidney Health Evaluation

Katherine R. Tuttle, MD, FASN, FACP, FNKF, Providence Health Care



March 16: Addressing CKD Disparities and Social Determinants of Health to Achieve Diabetes Management Goals

Crystal Gadegbeku, MD, Cleveland Clinic
George Thomas, MD, Cleveland Clinic



February 16: Looking Beyond Glucose Control: Best Practices to Address Diabetes-Related CKD

Robert Gabbay, MD, PhD, FACP, American Diabetes Association



April 20: Halting CKD Progression: From Optimizing Hypertension Management to Newer Agents

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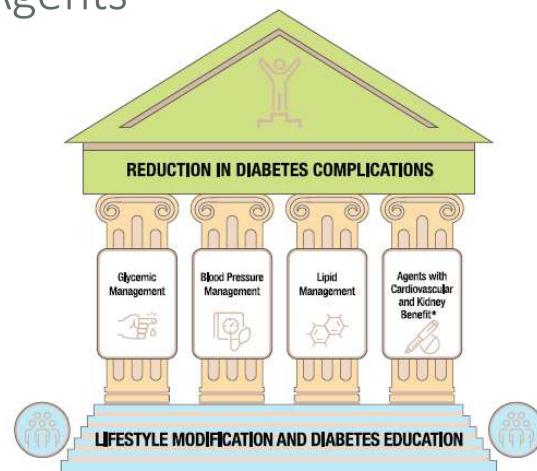
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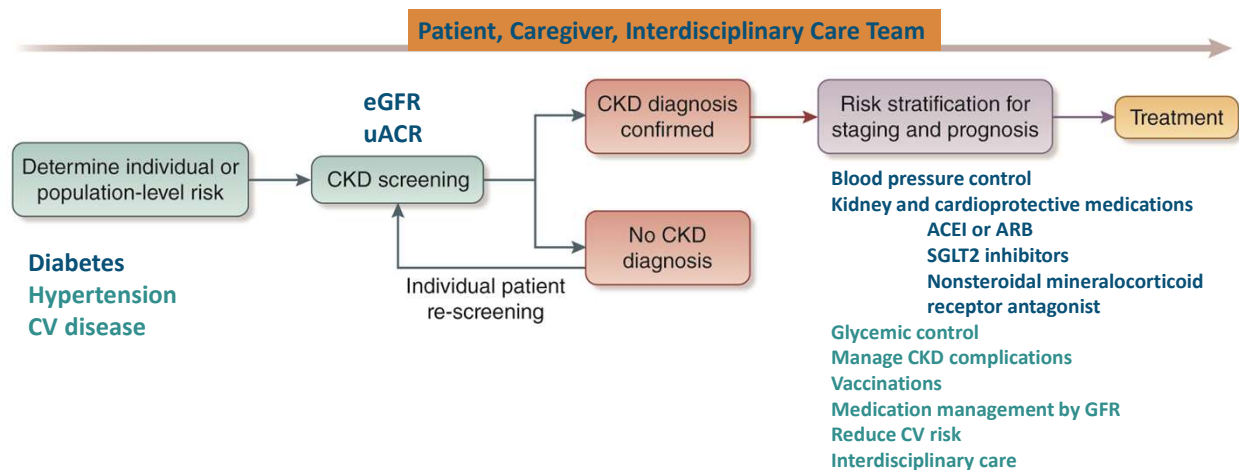
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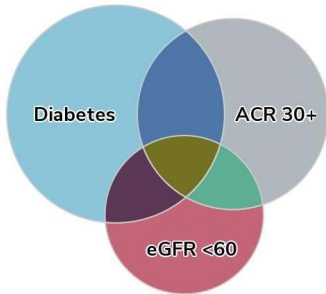
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CKD Definition and Risk Stratification

CGA Classification: Cause - GFR - Albuminuria



NHANES 2013-2018:
 13.1% of adults had diabetes
 27.5% of those with diabetes had uACR > 30 mg/g
 17.3% of those with diabetes had eGFR < 60 mL/min/1.73 m²

Naaneethan SD, et al. *Ann Intern Med.* 2021;174:385-94;
 USRDS. <https://adr.usrds.org/2021>.

Prognosis of CKD by GFR and albuminuria categories: KDIGO 2012

			Persistent albuminuria categories			
			Description and range			
			A1	A2	A3	
			Normal to mildly increased	Moderately increased	Severely increased	
			<30 mg/g <3 mg/mmol	30-300 mg/g 3-30 mg/mmol	>300 mg/g >30 mg/mmol	
GFR categories (mL/min/1.73 m ²) Description and range	G1	Normal or high	≥90			
	G2	Mildly decreased	60-89			
	G3a	Mildly to moderately decreased	45-59			
	G3b	Moderately to severely decreased	30-44			
	G4	Severely decreased	15-29			
	G5	Kidney failure	<15			

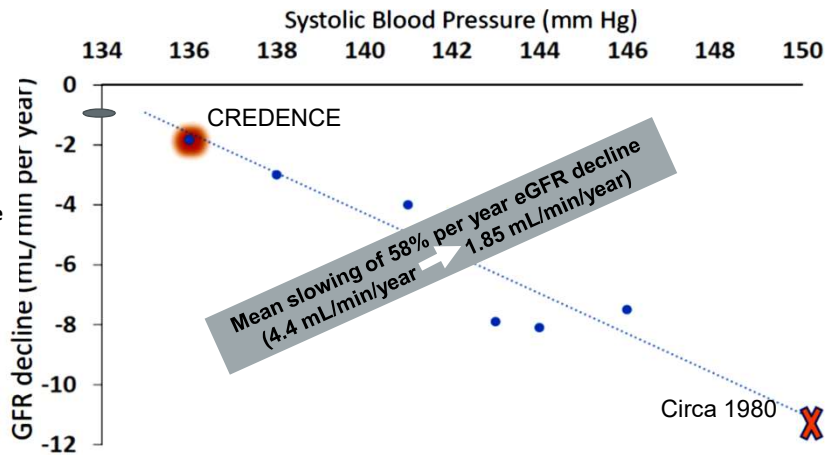
Green, low risk (if no other markers of kidney disease, no CKD); Yellow: moderately increased risk; Orange: high risk; Red: very high risk.

Annual eGFR Decline by Blood Pressure

From Clinical Trials in Diabetic Kidney Disease

Trials included in figure:
 Captopril trial. *N Engl J Med.* 1993;
 Hannadouche et al. *BMJ.* 1994;
 Bakris et al. *Kidney Int.* 1996;
 Bakris et al. *Hypertension.* 1997;
 IDNT. *N Engl J Med.* 2001;
 RENAAL. *N Engl J Med.* 2001;
 CREDEnce. *N Engl J Med.* 2019 (orange glow).

X represents no treatment.



Bakris GL. *Am J Kidney Dis.* 2019;74:573-5.

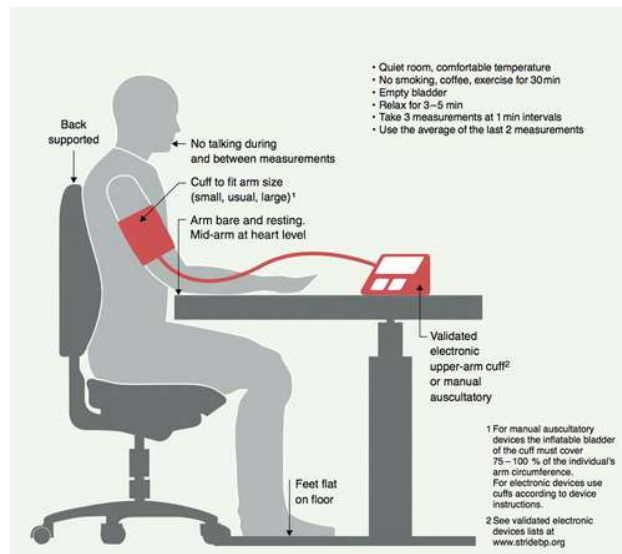
Methods of BP Measurement

Office BP Monitoring (OBPM)

Home BP Monitoring (HBPM)

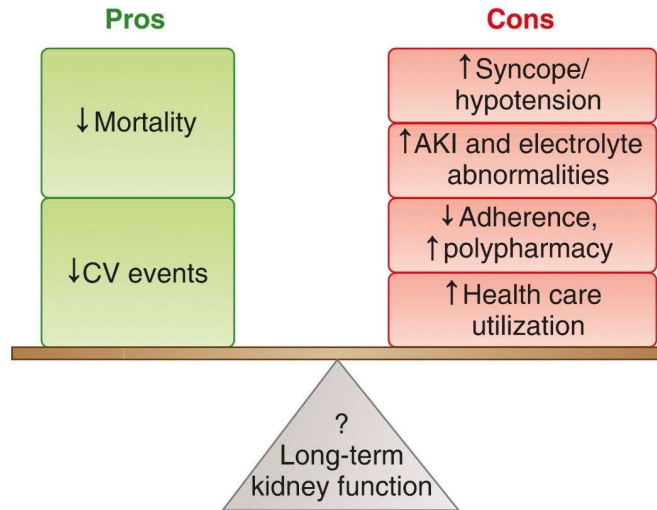
Ambulatory BP Monitoring (ABPM)

OBPM Technique



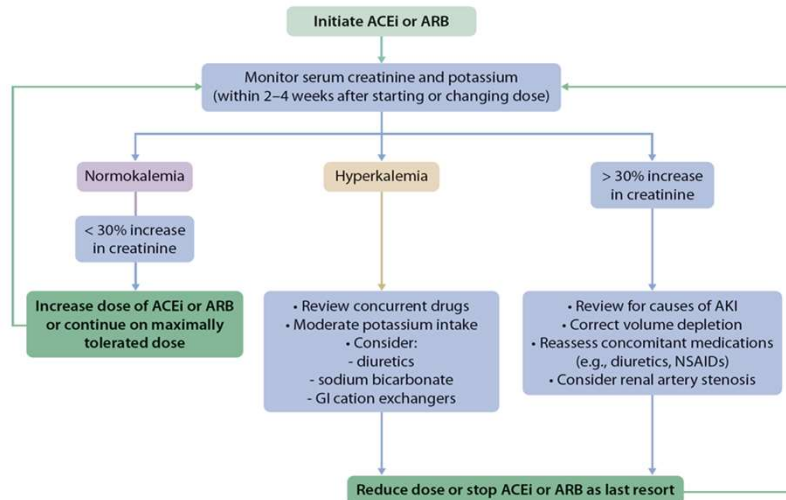
Unger T, et al. *Hypertension*. 2020;75:1334-57.

Target BP < 130/80 mm Hg?







Chang TL, et al. *Clin J Am Soc Nephrol.* 2018;13:1575-7.

ACEI or ARB: Dose Titration and Side Effect Monitoring



KDIGO Diabetes Work Group. *Kidney Int.* 2020;98:S1-115.

Kidney and CV Protection With SGLT2 Inhibitors

	DAPA-CKD ¹	CREDESCENCE ²
 Composite Kidney/CV Outcome ^a	HR (95% CI): 0.61 (0.51-0.72); P < .001	HR (95% CI): 0.70 (0.59-0.82); P = .00001
 Composite Kidney Outcome ^b	0.56 (0.45-0.68); P < .001	0.66 (0.53-0.81); P < .001
 CV Death or Hospitalization for HF	0.71 (0.55-0.92); P = .009	0.69 (0.57-0.83); P < .001
 All-Cause Mortality	0.69 (0.53-0.88); P = .004	0.83 (0.68-1.02); P = NR

Comparison of studies should be interpreted with caution due to differences in study design

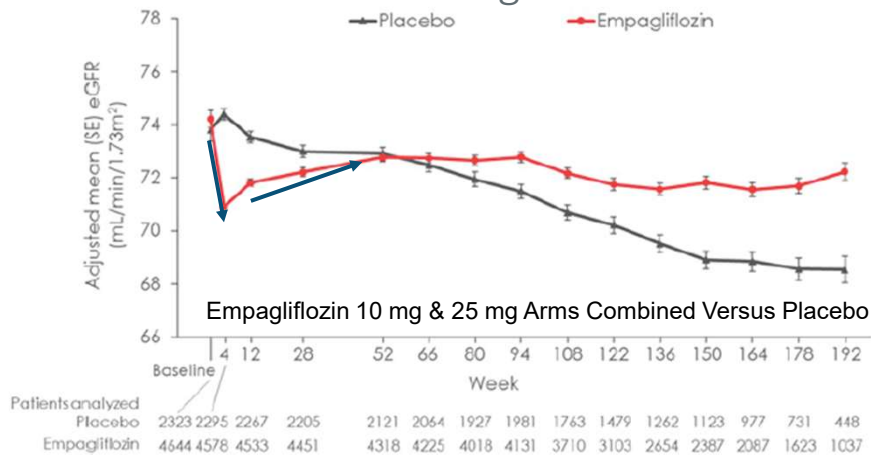
^aComposite consisted of sustained ≥ 50% eGFR decline, ESKD, or renal or CV death in DAPA-CKD and doubling of serum creatinine, ESKD, or renal or CV death in CREDESCENCE.

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¹Heerspink HJL, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2020;383:1436-46; ²Perkovic V, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2019;380:2295-306.

¹Incidences of SAEs and Aes were overall similar in the dapagliflozin and placebo groups; ²Rates of SAEs and Aes were similar in canagliflozin and placebo groups; fracture and lower-limb amputations were not different between groups; DKA were low but higher in the canagliflozin group

Typical Trend in eGFR With SGLT2 Inhibitors: Initial Decline With Long-Term Protection

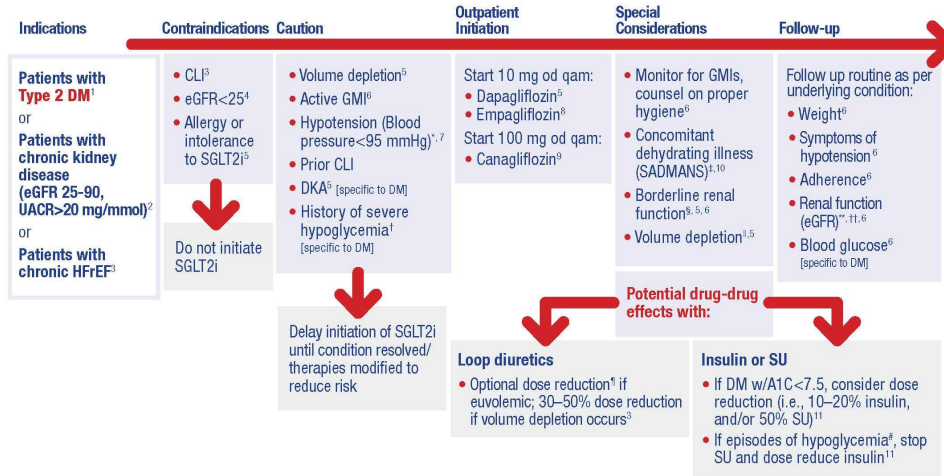


EMPA-REG OUTCOME trial data shown, but similar pattern observed in other trials

Primary Outcome (not shown) 14% ↓ 3 Point MACE (13% ↓ MI, 24% ↓ CVA, 36% ↓ CV Death)

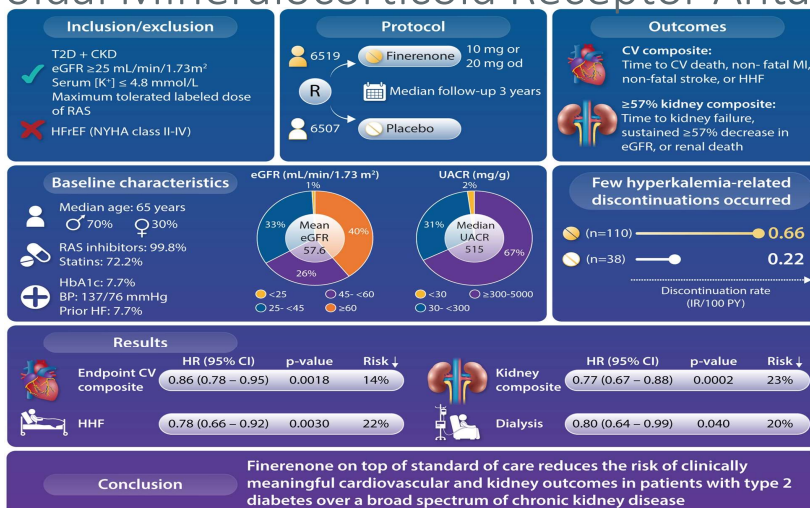
Wanner C, et al. *J Am Soc Nephrol.* 2018;29:2755-69.

Practical Approach to SGLT2 Inhibitors for Treatment of CV Disease



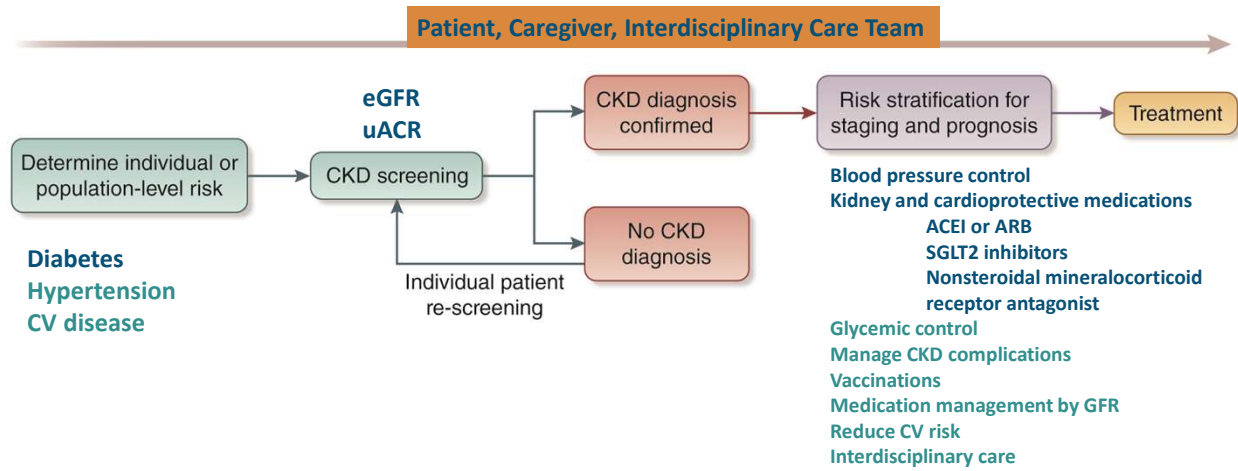
CLI = critical limb ischemia; GMI = genital mycotic infections; HFrEF = heart failure with reduced ejection fraction.
 Canadian Heart Failure Society. https://heartfailure.ca/sites/default/files/chfs_practical_approach_algorithm_sgl2i.pdf

Kidney and CV Protection With a Nonsteroidal Mineralocorticoid Receptor Antagonist



Incidences of investigator-reported treatment-emergent AEs were similar between treatment groups; AEs affecting ≥5% in either group include hyperkalemia, nasopharyngitis, arthralgia, back pain, urinary tract infection, diarrhea, anemia, hypertension, upper respiratory tract infection, peripheral edema, decreased glomerular filtration rate, hypoglycemia, dizziness, bronchitis, constipation, and pneumonia.
 Agarwal R, et al. *Eur Heart J.* 2022;43:474-84.

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Case Presentation

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SESSIONS ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

Submitted Case Presentation 70 y/o F with T2D + CKD + Depression **What should be done next about kidney function? Is rise in A1c due to staying in bed all day and/or should other etiologies be explored?**

70 year-old Afro-Hispanic female with type 2 diabetes (T2D) complicated by CKD, obesity, depression and elevated liver function. She has lost 2 adult children and currently relies on her living daughter to care for her. Although physically able, she stays in bed all day until her daughter returns home. Behavioral health consultation pending and currently on anti-depressant but CBT and counseling challenging due to language barrier. LFTs also increased (ALT61, AST 51, GGT 297) and considering GI referral. Most recent A1c (8.7%) increased from 6 months prior (7.9%) and most recent random fasting glucose (168) increased from previous (136).

Kidney disease/Cardiometabolic disease:

- **CKD:** recent eGFR 43mL/min/1.73m²; 24hr UC_r clearance 10 mL/min (U_cr 35, U_r 24rc r 177, Cr 1.27)
- **ASCVD:** Yes (22.5%) **Heart Failure:** No
- **Hypertension:** Yes **Hypercholesterolemia:** Yes
- **Recent BP:** 130/74 mmHg **BMI:** 34 **Weight** 79 kg **Recent lipid panel:** TC:158, LDL 72, HDL 66, TG 116
- **Diabetes:** Diagnosed with T2D ~15 years ago with last A1c 8.7% and currently on SGLT2i, DPP4i and metformin therapy. CGM recently prescribed but not using yet. Previously on insulin – bad experience – but open to retrying.

Current Medication Management:

- Lisinopril-HCTZ (Prinzide®) 20mg-25mg
- Metoprolol tartrate (Lopressor®) 100mg BID
- Atorvastatin (Lipitor®) 20mg
- Duloxetine HCl (Cymbalta®) 60mg DR
- ASA 81mg

- Vit C 1000mg

- Omeprazole 40mg

Glucose-lowering agent(s):

- SGLT2i: Empagliflozin (Jardiance®) 25mg daily
- DPP4i: Sitagliptin (Januvia®) 100mg daily
- Metformin 1000mg BID

Social support and concerns:

- **Last PQH-9:** 8 (Higher when preformed by Spanish-speaking pharmacist vs. by daughter translating) **Last PHQ-2:** 2
- **Last Diabetes Distress Scale:** Not reported
- **Barriers:** Language. CBT challenging due to translation services.
- **Support:** Lives with daughter + grandchildren. Relies on daughter for translation and care. Interested in home health aid but unsure if qualifies

Questions to the ECHO Diabetes Community: Are there any additional labs to order from nephrology perspective? How urgent is hepatology evaluation/referral? A1c rising – should thyroid be evaluated for staying in bed all day or other non dietary/lifestyle changes be looked into? How to approach depression and behavioral health while awaiting referral?