



**MEETING:** Member Meeting  
**DATE:** December 16th, 2021  
**TIME:** 3pm Mountain Standard Time

**Recording of this meeting:**

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**AGENDA/Minutes**

TOPIC	MEMBER	DISCUSSION	ACTION/CONCLUSION
Call to order 3:04pm	Mary Ann McMaster	Welcome from chair	
1. Technology	Mary Ann/ Lesley Perez	-IT expert (Tim) and Lesley have developed a new website -Demo the new website	- will send out a newsletter when new website is up & running

2. Pocket Guide Update	Chris Nelms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Digital content is now posted on the current website and will be able to be accessed on the new website in the coming weeks</li> <li>-Member feedback is encouraged before big batch printing</li> <li>-Secure funding to cover printing/ shipping costs for retail through the PRONA website and/or NKF Kidney Store (member/non-member price)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- please contact Chris if you notice any edits required</li> <li>- working with Vitaflo for printing</li> </ul>
3. Financial Updates	Morgan Bily Treasurer	<p>Once we switch to the new website we will only accept payment through Pay Pal <u>online</u> at <a href="http://prona.online">http://prona.online</a></p> <p>Registration is \$ 40 USD</p>	
4. Member-at-large Updates	Rayna Levitt Member-at-large	<p><b>(1) Professional Stipend</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Award/Stipend Committee is ready to receive applications for the professional stipend which is a monetary award that can help support members in paying for conferences and educational opportunities</li> <li>-Applicant must be a PRONA member in good standing for <math>\geq 1</math> year</li> <li>-Application forms are now available on the PRONA website</li> <li>-Deadline for application is January 31, 2022</li> </ul> <p><b>(2) Pediatric Renal RD of the Year Award</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-PRONA will also take applications for a Pediatric Renal RD of the Year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Amount of stipend will depend on PRONA's funds at the time</li> <li>- Also ADC is also offering 2 scholarships this year to cover conference fees for dietitians</li> <li>- Would we consider renal "adjacent" conferences? If it shows how it supports this community then it would be taken into consideration</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Put in the title of email "PRONA award nomination"</li> <li>- Will be available on website soon</li> </ul>
5. Clinician Resource Development Committee	Jessica Tower  Christine Benedetti	<p><b>(1) Create Growth Chart Overview handout</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-1-page review of current growth charts available</li> </ul>	

	Co-Chairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Discussion of when to use, appropriate population, validated &amp; other pertinent information about each chart</li> <li>-Jess is compiling a list of growth charts for the handout. Then, will divide charts among the committee members to confirm details for the handout</li> </ul> <p><b><u>(3) Mentoring Program</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Provide resources &amp; information for RDs newer to pediatric renal with the goal of improving quality care delivery</li> <li>-Link a new pediatric renal RD with an expert peds renal RD</li> <li>-Application process for both mentor/mentee</li> <li>-Committee reviewed tools needed for this program and currently dividing the workload for tool development among the committee members</li> <li>-Jess and Christine likely to become Co-Coordinators for the program, unless others express interest</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We envision the new website will be a connection opportunity for this</li> </ul>
<b>6. Guideline Development Committee</b>	Mary Ann McMaster Lesley Perez Co-Chairs	<p><b><u>Vitamin D Guidelines</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Population-specific clinical pathway for assessment, repletion and monitoring vitamin D levels in children with kidney disease</li> <li>-Rough draft almost completed</li> <li>-Will need feedback/reviewers in the New Year. 2 RD's have expressed interest as well as 2 Canadian Nephrologists</li> <li>-Goal is for completion after the new year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not finished yet, hopefully end of January</li> <li>- Will send draft out to PRONA members for revision opportunity</li> </ul>
<b>7. Patient Resource Committee</b>	Esther Berenhaut Isabel Reckson Co-Chairs	<p><b><u>(1) Education materials/resources</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Compiled existing patient education from PRONA members which is now available on our website</li> <li>-A need for low literacy handouts has been identified</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the handouts are available on the new website that will go live in ~2 weeks</li> </ul>

		<p>-Partner with CRN to collaborate on creating pediatric education materials, website articles geared for patients/parents, recipes</p> <p><b><u>(2) Pediatric Cookbook</u></b></p> <p>-Will require member buy in to complete. Please send any recipes or ideas to committee chairs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Need member contributions in order to bring this to fruition!!</li> </ul>
<b>8. Research &amp; Data Sharing Committee</b>		Currently inactive and looking for chairs and members interested in being part of this group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Email Mary Ann if you are interested in chairing this group</li> </ul>
<b>9. Public Policy Committee</b>	Morgan Bily  Christine Benedetti  Co-Chairs	<p>(1) Call with NKF CRN Advocacy Lead (Beth Shanaman) &amp; determine how we can collaborate (July)</p> <p>(2) Shared information from the NKF advocacy page on the listserv regarding new Medicare legislation</p> <p><b><u>(3) Brainstorming areas of need:</u></b></p> <p>-Labeling regulations re: phosphate. What can we combine with NKF's efforts? This affects Canada and US</p> <p>-Policy on nutrition care earlier in CKD (2-3) and promoting resources through NKF</p> <p>- Promoting pediatric dietitians in private practice; put name on list so patients can find. Would be a place where practitioners/patients can go to find RD who specialize in kidney care; insurance they take, topics they specialize in, etc. Working on cross promoting that. Email out link for CKD database so RDs are aware and add themselves</p> <p>- Main policy NKF is working on is insurance barriers to becoming a donor, expanding home dialysis and increasing funding for kidney awareness. Morgan &amp; Christine will work with them to ensure pediatrics is included</p> <p>-Chris has data that there are not many dietitians covering CKD pre dialysis, which might be useful info in promoting more dietitians to slow progression.</p> <p>-CKD RD database for RDs doing CKD education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- no updates available since last meeting</li> </ul>

		<p><a href="http://kidney.org/ckdrd">kidney.org/ckdrd</a></p> <p>-Medicare legislation to include NPs and other allied health to consult RDs.</p> <p>-Started through NKF but it is meant to be collaboration between PRONA and NKF. Anyone who is working in kidney care should post here!</p>	
<b>10. Promotion &amp; Networking Committee</b>	<p>Board Esther is working on PRONA Pride apparel</p>	<p><b>(1) "PRONA Pride" Apparel for sale:</b></p> <p>-Lanyards will run \$278 for 150, plus \$25 setup and approximately \$22 shipping.</p> <p>-The t-shirts will run about \$10 for the heavier cotton and \$12 for the softer ring spun (could limit to white/black or just 1 color if group prefers) The setup fee is \$40 per color.</p> <p>-looking into small white pins with PRONA logo</p> <p>-Estimated shipping in the US is ~ \$10 for shipping which includes tracking and insurance. -Esther to see if there is shipping to Canada, if not Mary Ann has a contact in Canada we could use (20-25 dollars per t-shirt, unknown shipping cost).</p> <p><b>(2) Improve Networking:</b></p> <p><b>-ASPN:</b> Endorsed PRONA and reviewed and endorsed the pocket guide</p> <p><b>-NKF CRN:</b> -Endorsed PRONA and reviewed and endorsed the pocket guide</p> <p>-Expressed interest in further collaboration opportunities, including: game-oriented or kid-friendly diet education, kid-friendly recipes, pediatric disease-specific recommendations or articles (how different from adult, ie PKD, etc) – for kidney.org website</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Limiting colors to limit upfront cost – black or white?</li> <li>- Won't look into this in the new year</li> <li>- Reach out to Mary Ann or any of the board members for more information from this</li> </ul>

		<p>Reach out to Christine if you would like to be connected with NKF to submit/publish any of these to their website</p> <p><b>-The Academy's Peds/Renal PGs:</b> Do not provide endorsements &amp; not interested in formal alliance at this time</p>	
<b>11. Other Business:</b>  <b>Future Meetings</b>			Close - 3:47pm

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Respectfully submitted by:

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