



**MEETING:** Board Meeting  
**DATE:** March 31, 2022  
**TIME:** 1pm Mountain Standard Time

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/7822400031590935056>

**AGENDA**

TOPIC	MEMBER	DISCUSSION	ACTION/CONCLUSION
	Mary Ann McMaster	<p>Welcome from chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Meetings: quarterly either the last Wednesday or Thursday of that month (recorded)</li> <li>-Moving forward after the pandemic</li> <li>-New members joining current working groups</li> <li>-In each member meeting working groups should goal set, present what they have accomplished since the last meeting and reach out for help if needed</li> <li>-Elections: secretary, treasurer, chair elect, member at large will take place in our June meeting. Information about roles will be sent through the PRONA list serv.</li> </ul>	
- <b>Website</b>	Lesley Perez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- new website up &amp; running at <a href="http://www.prona.info">www.prona.info</a></li> <li>- accepting Paypal as primary form of membership payment</li> <li>- Will receive email before your membership expires</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lesley looked into it and the new website <b>IS</b> <a href="http://">http://</a></li> <li>- If members are hitting the firewall, best to access website at home or try downloading a different web browser</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Firewalls at some centers are blocking access to the website so may need to access from home PC</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Pocket Guide Update</b></li> </ul>	Chris Nelms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Digital copy is available on the new website</li> <li>- Member feedback is encouraged before big batch printing; contact Chris with any feedback.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Please send any corrections or feedback about the web copy to <a href="mailto:clnelms@gmail.com">clnelms@gmail.com</a></li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Financial Updates</b></li> </ul>	Morgan Bily Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Purchase annual membership via website</li> <li>- Registration is \$ 40 USD</li> <li>- Members can sign up any time but our fiscal year is August 1 – July 31 for tax purposes. I.e. You will have access for a year after paying registration regardless of the month.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- PayPal is preferred method of payment but members can also mail cheques if they would like Morgan Bily 4002 Amherst Houston TX 77005</li> <li>- Cheque payable to Pediatric Renal Dietitians of North America</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Member-at-large Updates</b></li> </ul>	Rayna Levitt Member-at-large	<p><b><u>(1) Professional Stipend</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No applications, will revisit in the fall of 2022</li> </ul> <p><b><u>(2) Pediatric Renal RD of the Year Award</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- applications for a Pediatric Renal RD of the Year deadline March 31, 2022</li> </ul>	

<p>- <b>Clinician Resource Development Committee</b></p>	<p>Jessica Tower Christine Benedetti Co-Chairs</p>	<p><b><u>(1) Create Growth Chart Overview handout</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1-page review of current growth charts available</li> <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-Coordinator for the program, unless others express interest</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reached out to other members if they are still interested</li> <li>- Setting up a meeting in April</li> </ul>
<p>- <b>Guideline Development Committee</b></p>	<p>Mary Ann McMaster Lesley Perez Co-Chairs</p>	<p><b><u>Vitamin D Guidelines</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Finishing section on stones</li> <li>-Will need feedback/reviewers once complete</li> </ul>	
<p>- <b>Patient Resource Committee</b></p>	<p>Esther Berenhaut Isabel Reckson Co-Chairs</p>	<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> <li>-Partner with CRN to collaborate on creating pediatric education materials, website articles geared for patients/parents, recipes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Low literacy handout collection process not yet started</li> </ul>

		<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>	
- <b>Research &amp; Data Sharing Committee</b>		Currently inactive and looking for chairs and members interested in being part of this group	
- <b>Public Policy Committee</b>	<p>Morgan Bily</p> <p>Christine Benedetti</p> <p>Co-Chairs</p>	<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 peds 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> <p>kidney.org/ckdrd</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>	
<p>- <b>Promotion &amp; Networking Committee</b></p>	<p>Mary Ann to present. Esther is working on PRONA Pride apparel</p>	<p><b><u>(1)“PRONA Pride” Apparel for sale:</u></b></p> <p>Poll re: interest in merchandise</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). She has confirmed she is interested in providing us with merchandise.</p> <p>-Limiting colors to limit upfront cost – black or white? -Will start sales in the coming months</p> <p><b><u>(2) Improve Networking:</u></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-</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Had a poll to gauge interest in purchasing a prona pride tshirt</li> <li>- 33% yes, 22% no, 44% unsure</li> <li>- Will hold off on producing these at this time for the website</li> <li>- Will produce some for future in-person conferences</li> <li>- Will be good to have some on hand as prizes for members</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Big hold up is having the resources &amp; the people available to commit their time to this content</li> </ul>

		<p>specific recommendations or articles (how different from adult, ie PKD, etc) – for kidney.org website</p> <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>	
<p>- <b>Other Business:</b></p> <p><b>Future Meetings</b></p>			

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Respectfully submitted by:

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