



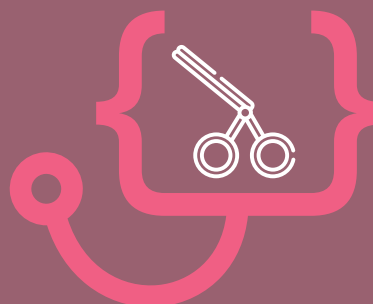
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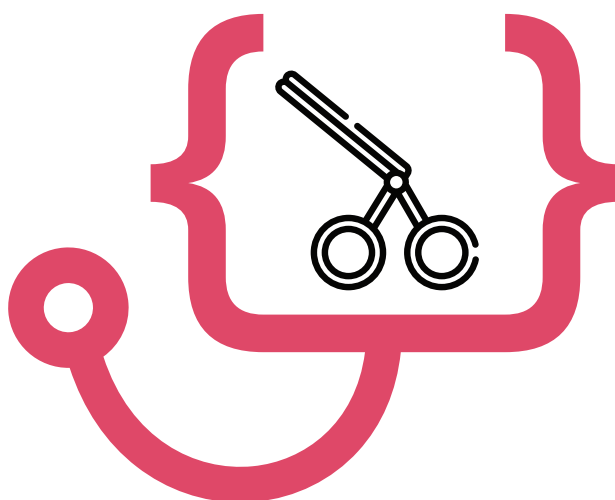


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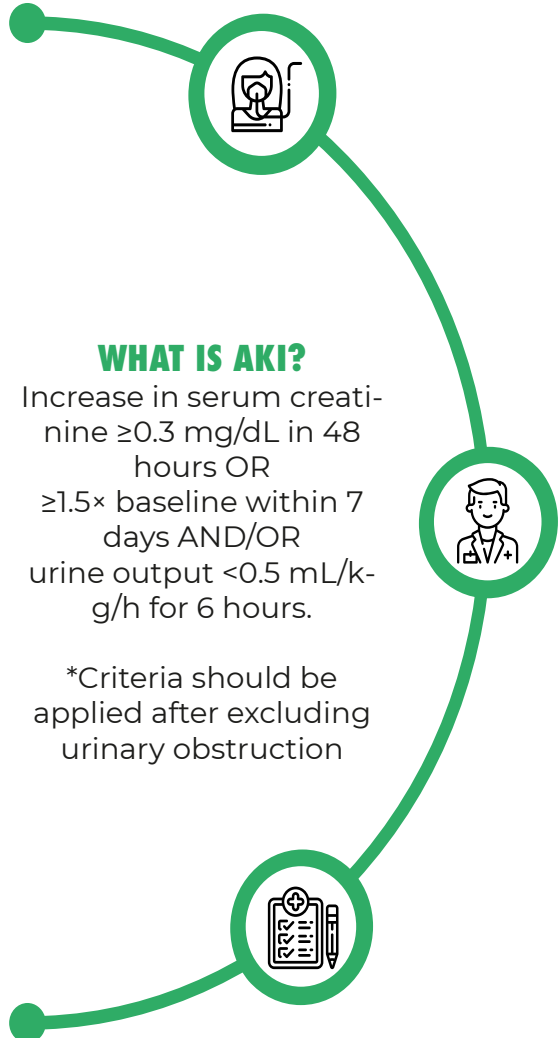
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ACUTE KIDNEY INJURY
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PERITONEAL DIALYSIS

Standard Treatment Workflow (STW)

ACUTE KIDNEY INJURY

ICD-11-GB60



SYMPTOMS

- Reduced urine output
- Dark, concentrated urine
- Swelling over feet/face
- Breathlessness
- Nausea, vomiting, reduced appetite
- Confusion or altered sensorium

AKI RISK INCREASES IN THE PRESENCE OF

- Hypotension
- Volume loss (eg: vomiting, diarrhea, bleeding)
- Heat exposure or heat stroke
- Low effective arterial volume (Heart failure, decompensated liver disease)
- Nephrotoxic/ indigenous drug use
- Plant and chemical toxins
- Radio contrast exposure
- Infections
- Animal bites/ stings
- In neonates - oligohydramnios/birth asphyxia, respiratory distress
- Hemolysis
- Rhabdomyolysis (Post trauma)
- Pregnancy-related complications
- Multiorgan failure

PRINCIPLES OF ASSESSMENT

- Careful review of history and medications
- Determine whether pre-renal, renal or post-renal
- Identify and correct reversible factors
- Look out for occult causes (e.g. envenomations, poisoning)
- Determine severity of AKI
- Determine whether community acquired or hospital acquired

PRELIMINARY ACTIONS

- Monitor urine volume & body weight
- Identify and treat complications
- Correct hydration status
- Stop nephrotoxic drugs
- Exclude urinary outflow obstruction
- Stabilize blood pressure
- Treat infection
- Assess dialysis need
- Optimize blood sugar level

DESIRABLE ACTIONS/INVESTIGATIONS

- Stage AKI (KDIGO criteria*)
- Check electrolytes, acid-base status Including serum calcium, phosphate, and uric acid
- Urinalysis- if proteinuria, hematuria rule out glomerulonephritis
- CBC- hemolysis, low platelets- suggests TMA
- Rule out pre-existing kidney disease
- Ultrasound of KUB region
- Assessment for infection
- Laboratory investigation for specific cause
- CPK level in suspected rhabdomyolysis
- LDH, bilirubin for hemolysis
- ECG, Chest X-ray

AKI IN SPECIFIC SETTINGS

- Neonatal - refer to paediatrician
- Pregnancy - manage complications
- Envenomations - antsnake venom, hemodynamic correction
- Poisoning - specific antidote when available
- Systemic disease - refer for investigations
- Kidney transplant recipient - refer to nephrologist

TREATMENT OF HYPERKALEMIA

- 10 ml of 10% calcium gluconate over 2-5 minutes slow IV under ECG monitoring, can be repeated upto 3 times
- Inhaled Salbutamol : 10mg (4 respules of 2.5ml Salbutamol)
- Insulin-dextrose: 10U in 50ml of 50% dextrose or 100ml of 25% dextrose
- Avoid high potassium diet
- Withhold medication likely to contribute to hyperkalemia (ACEi/ARB)
- Urgent dialysis if life threatening
- Potassium binders if dialysis unavailable

MANAGEMENT

- PRIMARY CARE
- Detailed history and physical examination
 - Identify and correct volume deficit
 - Stop nephrotoxic agents
 - Identify and correct bladder outlet obstruction
 - Give anti-snake venom if indicated
 - Identify hyperkalemia and start treatment
 - IV loop diuretics if fluid overload
 - Oxygen if pulmonary edema
 - PD if indicated
 - Timely referral after stabilisation

- SECONDARY CARE
- As in primary care
 - Admit to healthcare facility, identify and correct urinary tract obstruction (USG, CT)
 - Detailed investigation for infections
 - Manage pregnancy complications - deliver if indicated
 - Look for underlying CKD
 - Dialysis (PD or HD)
 - Evaluate volume status
 - Viral screening for dialysis initiation
 - Blood grouping and typing
 - Baseline Chest X-ray and ECG
 - Look for any life threatening complications
 - Admission for stabilization and further evaluation

- TERTIARY CARE
- All interventions as in secondary care
 - Admission for stabilisation and further evaluation
 - Kidney biopsy if indicated
 - Multidisciplinary consultation as indicated
 - Dialysis (PD or HD or CRRT)
 - Plasma Exchange where indicated

RED FLAGS FOR URGENT REFERRAL

- Indications for dialysis
- Unexplained AKI
- Involvement of other organs
- Sepsis
- Systemic disease
- Complicated pregnancy
- Post Transplant

INDICATIONS FOR DIALYSIS

- **A**cidosis- refractory
- **E**lectrolyte disturbance- hyperkalemia
- **I**ntoxications
- **O**verload - refractory
- **U**remic encephalopathy pericarditis

FOLLOW-UP OF AKI

- UO > 1 L, stable or falling creatinine, no symptoms: stop dialysis
- Not resolving for >2 weeks: CECT to exclude cortical necrosis; kidney biopsy as indicated
- Look for systemic diseases (e.g. vasculitis, myeloma, TMA)
- Serum creatinine and urine protein q 6-12 months for life

ABBREVIATIONS

AKI: Acute Kidney Injury
CECT: Contrast-enhanced CT scan

PD: Peritoneal dialysis
TMA: Thrombotic microangiopathy

CKD: Chronic Kidney Disease
HD: Hemodialysis

UO: Urine output
USG: Ultrasonography

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👉 STOP AKI: ACT FAST, PROTECT KIDNEYS

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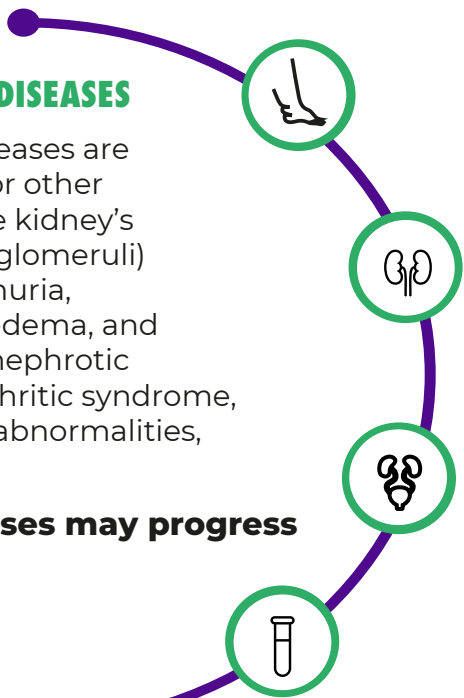
GLOMERULAR DISEASES

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GLOMERULAR DISEASES

Glomerular diseases are inflammatory or other disorders of the kidney's filtering units (glomeruli) causing proteinuria, hematuria, or edema, and presenting as nephrotic syndrome, nephritic syndrome, RPGN, urinary abnormalities, AKI, or CKD.

Untreated cases may progress to ESKD



Identify the Syndrome	
Syndrome	Key Features
Nephrotic Syndrome	Edema, frothy urine, hypoalbuminemia, hyperlipidemia. Proteinuria (Nephrotic Range): Adults: >3.5 g/1.73 m²/day or spot urine PCR >3 g/g Children: > 1000 mg/m2 per day or spot urine PCR >2 g/g
Nephritic Syndrome	Cola-coloured urine, oliguria, edema, hypertension, Hematuria (± RBC casts), no or mild proteinuria
Rapidly Progressive Glomerulonephritis	Rapid increase of Serum Creatinine within days to weeks. May have constitutional symptoms, e.g. pulmonary hemorrhage, fever, joint pains
Asymptomatic Urinary Abnormalities	Isolated proteinuria or hematuria, usually detected on screening. Repeat urine microscopy, dipstick, proteinuria quantification Refer to nephrologist if abnormalities persist

NEPHROTIC SYNDROME

Common Causes	Key Tests	Management PHC Level/CHC Level	Special Paediatric Precautions
Children: Minimal Change Disease (most common, steroid-responsive) Adults: Minimal Change Disease, FSGS, Membranous Nephropathy, Diabetic Nephropathy, Lupus Nephritis	- Urine Microscopy - Proteinuria quantification - Serum albumin - Lipid profile - ANA, anti-dsDNA, C3, C4 - Anti-PLA2R - Hepatitis B/C, HIV - Myeloma profile (SPEP, serum free light chain assay) - Blood Sugar F/PP - Kidney Biopsy: as per indication - Other tests as per clinical context	- Salt restriction - Loop diuretics for edema (monitor Na⁺/K⁺; consider loop + thiazide for resistant edema; aim for 0.5–1 kg/day weight loss in adults) - ACEi/ARB for proteinuria reduction - Statins for dyslipidemia District hospital/Tertiary level - Steroid Protocol: To be done by specialised team - Children: Prednisolone 2 mg/kg/day (max 60 mg) × 6 weeks → 1.5 mg/kg (max 40 mg) on alternate days × 6 weeks - Adults: Treatment should be done as per kidney biopsy reports - Thromboprophylaxis if albumin <2.5 g/dL	- Screen for TB before steroid initiation (Mantoux, CXR) - Avoid live vaccines during and 3 months after steroids - Regular growth and BP monitoring - Avoid ACEi/ARB in steroid-sensitive cases with normal kidney function - Relapses may occur, hence look for proteinuria during intercurrent illness - Steroids in intercurrent illness

NEPHRITIC SYNDROME

Common Causes
Post-infectious GN, HSP (children) IgA nephropathy, lupus nephritis, vasculitis

Key Tests
Urinalysis (RBCs, RBC cast, protein)
Serum creatinine
C3/C4, ANA, anti-dsDNA
ASO titre (if H/o sore throat or skin lesions)

Management **PHC Level/CHC Level**
BP control (<130/80 adults; <95th percentile children)
Supportive fluid management
Avoid NSAIDs/nephrotoxins
Treat underlying cause
Refer if unresponsive or atypical

RAPIDLY PROGRESSIVE GLOMERULONEPHRITIS (RPGN)

Definition:
Rapid renal decline (doubling of creatinine within days–weeks)

Causes:
ANCA vasculitis, anti-GBM disease, lupus nephritis, severe IgA nephropathy, Pauci-immune Glomerulonephritis

Key Tests:
Urinalysis, serum creatinine
ANCA (anti PR3, anti MPO titres), anti-GBM, ANA, anti-dsDNA, complements C3, C4, CXR
Look for coexisting diseases

Management
PHC Level/CHC Level
Immediate nephrology referral

District hospital/Tertiary level
Kidney Biopsy
IV methylprednisolone 500–1000 mg × 3 days
Cyclophosphamide/rituximab ± plasmapheresis

REFERRAL TO NEPHROLOGIST (DISTRICT HOSPITAL OR NEAREST AVAILABLE CENTRE)

Immediate – Same Day (Red Flag Signs)

Rapidly Progressive Glomerulonephritis

Pulmonary-renal syndrome

Suspected peritonitis in nephrotic syndrome

Hypertensive emergency

Pregnancy

Red Flag Signs

- Respiratory distress
- Severe abdominal pain
- Unilateral limb swelling
- Oliguria or anuria
- Seizures
- Hypotension
- Acute febrile illness

Look for complications

- Malnutrition
- Hypovolemia
- AKI
- Thromboembolism
- Infections

General Management Principles

- Maintain BP target <130/80 mmHg (adults) or <95th percentile (children)
- Restrict salt (unless paediatric without edema)
- Reverse edema gradually to prevent hypovolemia
- Avoid NSAIDs and aminoglycosides
- Maintain adequate nutrition and encourage physical activity

Glomerular Diseases

Nephrotic Syndrome	Nephritic Syndrome	RPGN	Asymptomatic Urinary Abnormalities
- Proteinuria > 3.5 g/day - Hypoalbuminemia - Edema, Hyperlipidemia	- Hematuria, RBC Casts - Hypertension, - Mild Proteinuria ↓ GFR	- Rapid Renal Decline (Days to weeks) - Crescentic GN on Biopsy	- Microscopic Hematuria - Proteinuria - Normal Renal Function

Infection Prevention

- Update Vaccinations before starting immunosuppressive therapy, if possible
- Pneumococcal and annual inactivated influenza vaccines are safe and recommended
- Maintain strict hygiene (handwashing, safe food and drinking water)
- While on immunosuppressive therapy, avoid crowded areas and wear mask

Monitor regularly

- BP & weight - each visit
- Urine Examination - monthly
- Serum creatinine and eGFR- (1–3 month) (more often in active disease)
- Monitor growth in children every 6 months
- Eye evaluation for posterior subcapsular cataract every 6 months

ABBREVIATIONS

ACR: Albumin-to-Creatinine Ratio
AKI: Acute Kidney Injury
ANA: Antinuclear Antibody
ACEi: Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme Inhibitor
C3/C4: Complement C3 and C4

CKD: Chronic Kidney Disease
dsDNA: Double-Stranded DNA
eGFR: Estimated Glomerular Filtration Rate
ESKD: End-Stage Kidney Disease
FSGS: Focal Segmental Glomerulosclerosis
HSP: Henoch-Schonlein Purpura

MCD: Minimal Change Disease
NSAIDs: Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs
RPGN: Rapidly Progressive Glomerulonephritis
SPEP: Serum Protein Electrophoresis

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👉 GLOMERULAR DISEASES: DETECT EARLY, TREAT TIMELY, PREVENT CKD/ESKD

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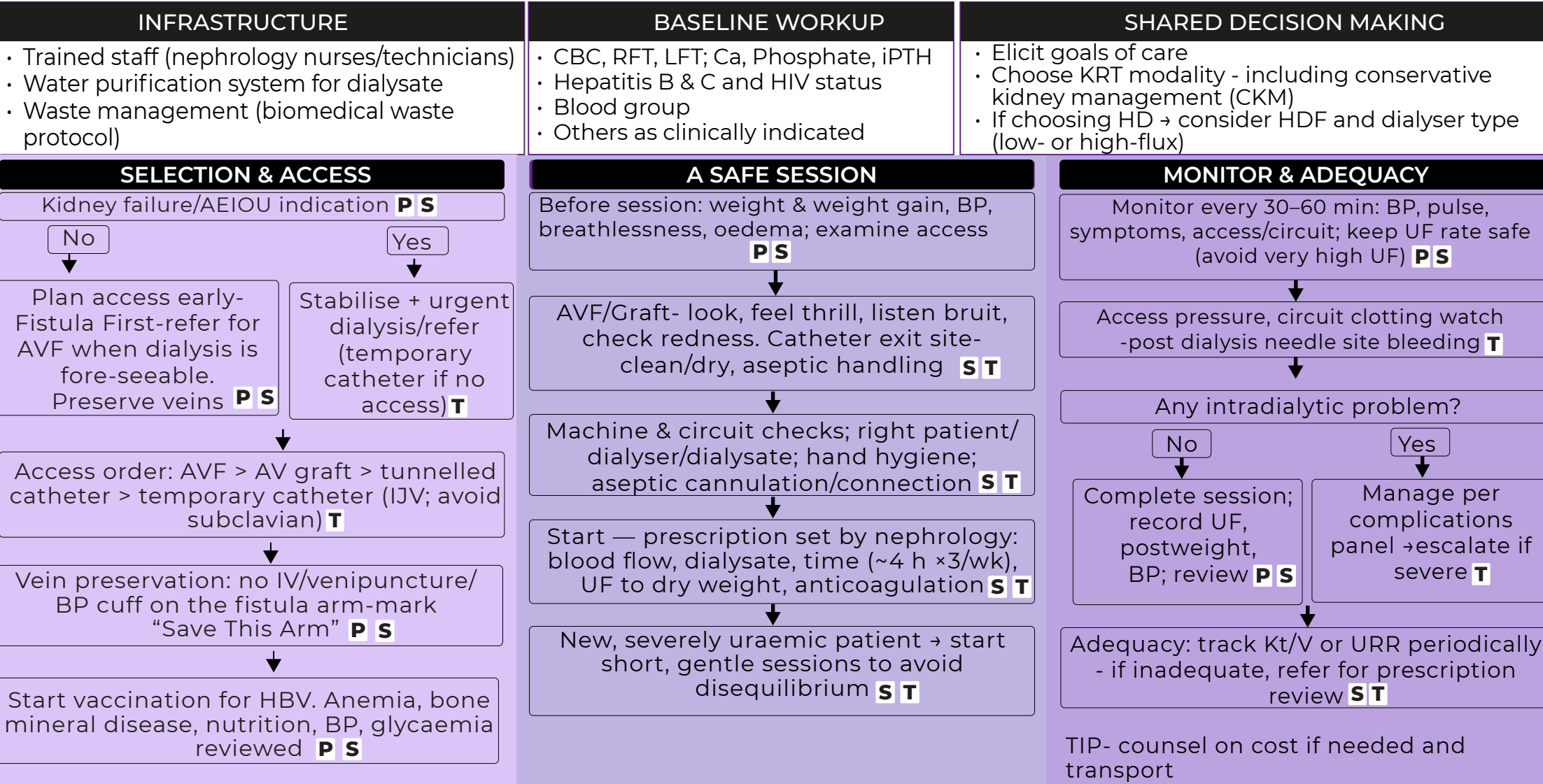
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WHEN TO START HD — REMEMBER “AEIOU”

- A - Acidosis: severe metabolic acidosis not responding to treatment
- E - Electrolytes: refractory hyperkalaemia/ECG changes.
- I - Intoxication: a dialysable poison or drug.
- O - Overload: fluid overload / pulmonary oedema not responding to diuretics.
- U - Uraemia: uraemic pericarditis, encephalopathy, bleeding or intractable symptoms.
- Planned CKD start: for uraemic symptoms as function declines (≈ eGFR 5–10) — not by a number alone; decide with nephrology **P S**

RED FLAGS — STABILISE & REFER

- URGENT - stabilise & arrange emergency dialysis / refer:
- Refractory hyperkalaemia/ECG changes - give IV calcium, insulin – dextrose, salbutamol, then dialyse
 - Pulmonary oedema not responding to diuretics; severe acidosis/uraemic emergency
 - Air embolism, haemolysis, anaphylaxis (intradialytic emergencies)
 - Clotted/failing access (no thrill) or uncontrolled access bleeding; CRBSI/ sepsis
- Also refer (non-urgent):
- Access creation / salvage & vein mapping
 - Inadequate dialysis or repeated intradialytic hypotension; transplant work-up



MANAGING COMPLICATIONS

A. Hypotension — the commonest event

- ◆ * Fall in BP ± dizziness, cramps, nausea?
- Stop/reduce UF · lay head-down · give saline 100–250 mL · reduce blood flow · oxygen if needed. Find cause: too-fast UF, dry weight too low, cardiac, sepsis, eating, BP meds **P S**
- Not improving / chest pain/arrhythmia → refer **T**

B. Intradialytic hypertension

- Paradoxical BP rise during/after dialysis → check fluid status & dry weight, review drug adherence; consider a short-acting antihypertensive **P S**

C. Cramps/nausea/headache & disequilibrium

- Cramps/nausea/headache — usually from hypotension/fast UF → reduce UF, give saline. Disequilibrium (new severe uraemia: confusion ± seizures) → prevent with short gentle starts; if it occurs → slow/stop, support, refer. **S T**

D. Air embolism — EMERGENCY

- Clamp venous line, STOP pump. Lay on left side, head-down; give oxygen; resuscitate; refer now. **T**

E. Haemolysis — EMERGENCY

- Port-wine blood, chest/back pain. Stop dialysis; DO NOT return blood. Support; check K⁺; refer **T**

F. Fistula/graft problems

- No thrill / no bruit, or new pain & swelling?
- Possible clotted/failing access → refer urgently (salvage is time-sensitive). Post-needle bleeding → firm pressure; if not stopping → refer. **T**

G. Catheter bloodstream infection (CRBSI)

- Fever/rigors during or after dialysis in a catheter patient?
- Blood cultures (catheter + peripheral). Start empirical IV antibiotics covering gram-positive (incl. MRSA) + gram-negative per local protocol. Refer - catheter may need removal. **S T**

H. Bloodborne infection control — every session

- Hand hygiene & gloves; no shared multidose vials/supplies; clean station between patients. Dedicated machine / area for HBsAg-positive; safe sharps; staff HBV vaccination. **P S**

VASCULAR ACCESS CARE

- Prepare the site properly before cannulation
- Use the rope-ladder cannulation technique (rotate sites)
- Ensure post-HD haemostasis (stop needle-site bleeding)
- Wear a mask for central venous catheter (CVC) use

INFECTION CONTROL

- Proper use of PPE (gloves, gown, mask, eye protection)
- Protocols for cleaning & disinfecting surfaces and equipment between patients

AUDITS

- Track and review regularly:
- Infection rates & vaccination uptake
 - Hospitalisations, drop-outs & deaths
 - Complications (intradialytic & access)

PATIENT & CAREGIVER EDUCATION

- Attend every session and control fluid - this matters most
- Don’t skip sessions (risk: high K, overload)
 - Limit fluid between sessions
 - Diet: low potassium & phosphate, less salt
 - Adequate protein; binders with food
 - BP/anaemia/bone medicines as advised
 - Protect the access arm; feel thrill daily
 - Keep catheter dry & covered
 - Warning signs: breathlessness, swelling, bleeding, no thrill, fever → seek care

INTERDIALYTIC CARE, INFECTION CONTROL & FOLLOW-UP

- Access care
- Feel the thrill daily; report loss of thrill, pain, redness or bleeding at once **P S**
 - Keep catheter dry & covered; aseptic handling only
- Between sessions
- Keep to fluid & diet limits; take medicines; attend every session **P S**
- Infection control & monitoring
- Clean station; no shared vials; HBsAg-positive on a dedicated machine.
 - Periodic viral markers, Kt/V/URR, haemoglobin, Ca–PO₄–PTH, dry-weight review **S T**

HD IN ACUTE/LIMITED SETTINGS

- Track and review regularly
- For unstable patients, SLED or gentler settings reduce hypotension **S T**
 - If HD not available & patient can’t be moved: stabilise hyperkalaemia & overload medically (calcium, insulin–dextrose, salbutamol, restrict fluid) & refer
 - Consider acute peritoneal dialysis as a bridge **P S**

ABBREVIATIONS

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| AKI: Acute Kidney Injury | HBsAg/HCV/HIV: Viral Markers | P/S/T: Primary/Secondary/Tertiary |
| AVF: Arteriovenous Fistula | HD: Haemodialysis | PD: Peritoneal Dialysis |
| CKD: Chronic Kidney Disease | IJV: Internal Jugular Vein | SLED: Slow Low-Efficiency Dialysis |
| CRBSI: Catheter-Related Bloodstream Infection | KRT: Kidney Replacement Therapy | UF: Ultrafiltration |
| ESA: Erythropoiesis-Stimulating Agent | Kt/V & URR: Adequacy Measures | |

🏠 A ROADMAP FOR SAFE, EFFECTIVE AND STANDARDIZED HEMODIALYSIS

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PERITONEAL DIALYSIS

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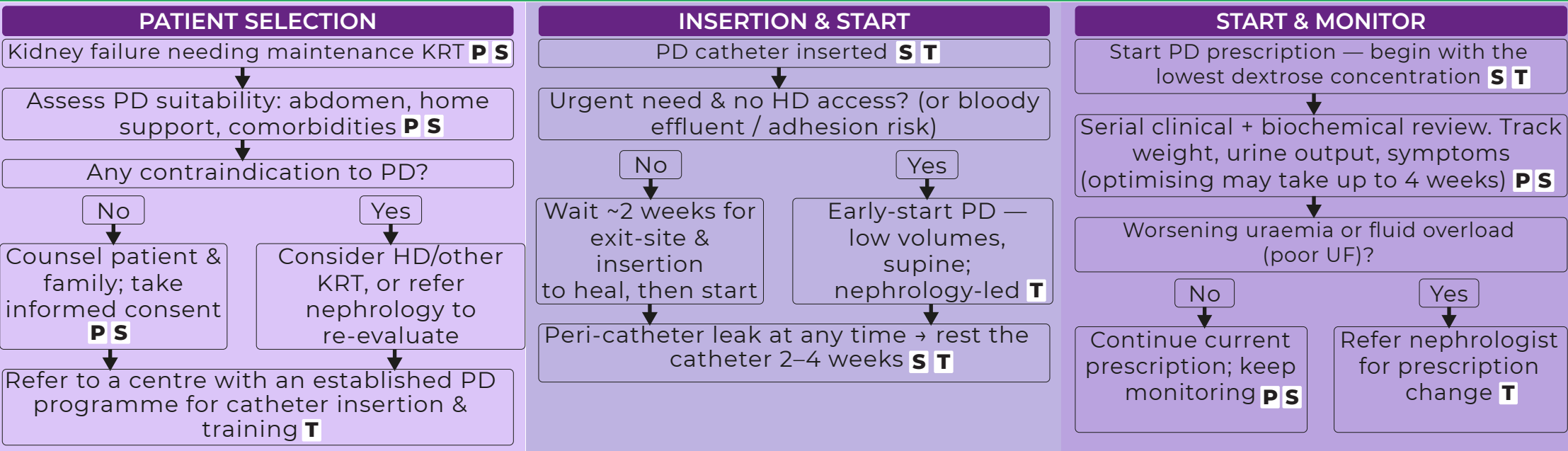
WHY & WHEN TO CONSIDER PD

- PD is as effective as haemodialysis (HD) in properly selected patients.
- Prefer PD when the patient still passes good urine (>200-500 mL/day-good residual kidney function).
- Often the only maintenance option (besides home HD) when all HD access has failed or for home-bound patients.
- Home-based therapy done by patient/caregiver after training-suits long travel, cost and HD slot limitation
- Counselling is the key to PD being chosen and continued **PS**

RED FLAGS - ACT & REFER

- **REFER NOW** - treat catheter removal as an **EMERGENCY** when
 - Peritonitis not responding by ~5 days
 - Peritonitis with exit-site / tunnel infection together
 - Tunnel infection (usually needs catheter removal)
 - Recurrent / relapsing peritonitis, or culture-negative & not improving (think TB / fungal)
- Also refer (non-urgent):**
- Catheter insertion & structured PD training
 - Poor ultrafiltration / uraemia → prescription change
 - Mechanical problem or pleuro-peritoneal shunt; decision to switch to HD

CLINICAL PATHWAY



SELECTION CHECKLIST

Suitable for PD if

- Wants home therapy / lives far from a unit
- Willing, able caregiver or can self-perform
- Clean space, water & storage at home
- Good residual urine; or HD access exhausted

Caution /re-evaluate if

- Abdominal wall defect / large hernia / ostomy
- Active abdominal sepsis or inflammation
- Severely distorted anatomy / many adhesions
- No home support & cannot self-perform

INDIA Most are relative — discuss with nephrology first. Most CKD here is diabetic (PD usually still fine — watch glucose). Screen/treat abdominal TB before starting; counsel on monthly cost & supply

PRE-PROCEDURE PREP

Before insertion

- Confirm modality & consent **PS**
- Choose insertion method based on training & skills: Percutaneous (Nephrologist) in naïve abdomen or surgical method (preferred if prior surgery/adhesions/reinsertion)
- Chest X-ray before insertion
- Treat constipation; empty bladder; mark exit site

At insertion-infection control

- Prophylactic IV antibiotic just before/during - e.g. Inj. Vancomycin 1 g IV **ST**
- Strict aseptic technique throughout

HOME MONITORING SHEET

Patient/caregiver records daily — bring to every visit:

- Body weight
- Ultrafiltration (UF) — fluid removed each exchange
- Urine output
- Blood pressure & swelling (fluid-overload signs)
- Effluent appearance — clear vs cloudy

TIP: If a lab is far, teach the family to photograph a cloudy bag and call early — cloudy effluent = suspect peritonitis

MANAGING COMPLICATIONS

A. Peritonitis — catch early

Cloudy effluent and/or abdominal pain ± fever?

1. Send effluent for cell count + culture if lab available. 2. Start empirical antibiotics without delay per local protocol - intraperitoneal (IP) preferred; IV if severe sepsis **PS T**

Always examine exit site & tunnel at the same time **PS**

Not better by ~5 days, recurrent, or exit/tunnel also infected?

No

Complete full antibiotic course; review

Yes

Refer — may need catheter removal (EMERGENCY) **T**

B. Exit-site infection

Discharge / redness at exit site → oral antibiotics (e.g. ciprofloxacin). Not settling or tunnel involved → refer.

INDIA Relapsing or culture-negative peritonitis not responding → think tuberculous or fungal peritonitis → refer

C. Tunnel infection

Redness/swelling/tenderness over tunnel → Refer - usually needs catheter removal **T**

D. Poor inflow/outflow

Treat constipation first (common cause). Do a quick in/out test — in 10–20 min, out 20–30 min, most fluid returns → obstruction unlikely. Abnormal / suspected → refer **PS**

E. Pleuro-peritoneal shunting

Poor UF + new/worsening pleural effusion → diagnose by pleural tap showing very high glucose (use diluted samples) → refer **ST**

F. Catheter malposition/omental wrap

Tip wandered out of pelvis or omentum wrapped → common cause of poor flow → usually needs surgery → refer **T**

Catheter re-insertion after removal

- Removed for infection → re-insert after treatment + 4-week wait (selected treated repeat-peritonitis: same-sitting exchange — nephrology decision).
- Removed for mechanical reason → can re-insert in the same sitting **T**

PATIENT & CAREGIVER EDUCATION

Training is the cornerstone of successful PD.

Every patient/caregiver must learn

- Hand hygiene before every exchange
- Clean exchange technique
- Daily exit-site care & dressing

Re-train after

- Any peritonitis / catheter infection
- A long break from therapy
- Keep the monitoring sheet
- Spot warning signs: cloudy bag, pain, fever, exit redness
- Store fluids; know whom to call
- Any change of caregiver
- Any technique error seen

DAILY CARE, INFECTION CONTROL & FOLLOW-UP

Daily catheter care

- Hand hygiene before handling the catheter; clean, dry exit-site care.
- Report redness, discharge, pain or cloudy effluent early **PS**

Intercurrent illness/procedures

- Do procedures on an empty abdomen (drain PD fluid first).
- Prophylactic antibiotics before invasive procedures that breach mucosa (dental, endoscopy) **PS**

When to switch PD → HD

- UF failure not fixable by prescription change; or unfavourable membrane after repeated peritonitis **ST**

PD IN ACUTE SETTINGS

A life-saving skill for AKI/CKD patients who cannot be referred — disasters, conflict, or unfit to transport

- A stiff or soft peritoneal dialysis catheter can be placed at the bedside **ST**
- Use clean technique; start low volumes and watch for leak/pain

ABBREVIATIONS

AKI: Acute Kidney Injury
CKD: Chronic Kidney Disease
HD: Haemodialysis
IP: Intraperitoneal
ISPD: International Society for

Peritoneal Dialysis
IV: Intravenous
KRT: Kidney Replacement Therapy
P: Primary
PD: Peritoneal Dialysis

S: Secondary
T: Tertiary
TB: Tuberculosis
UF: Ultrafiltration

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CLEANING YOUR BLOOD, CLEARING THE WAY FOR A BETTER LIFE

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INTRODUCTION



GOAL

To empower the primary, secondary and tertiary care physicians/surgeons towards achieving the overall goal of Universal Health Coverage with disease management protocols and pre-defined referral mechanisms by decoding complex guidelines

OBJECTIVES

Primary Objective:

To formulate clinical decision making protocols for common and serious medical/ surgical conditions for both OPD and IPD management at primary, secondary and tertiary levels of healthcare system for equitable access and delivery of health services which are locally contextual

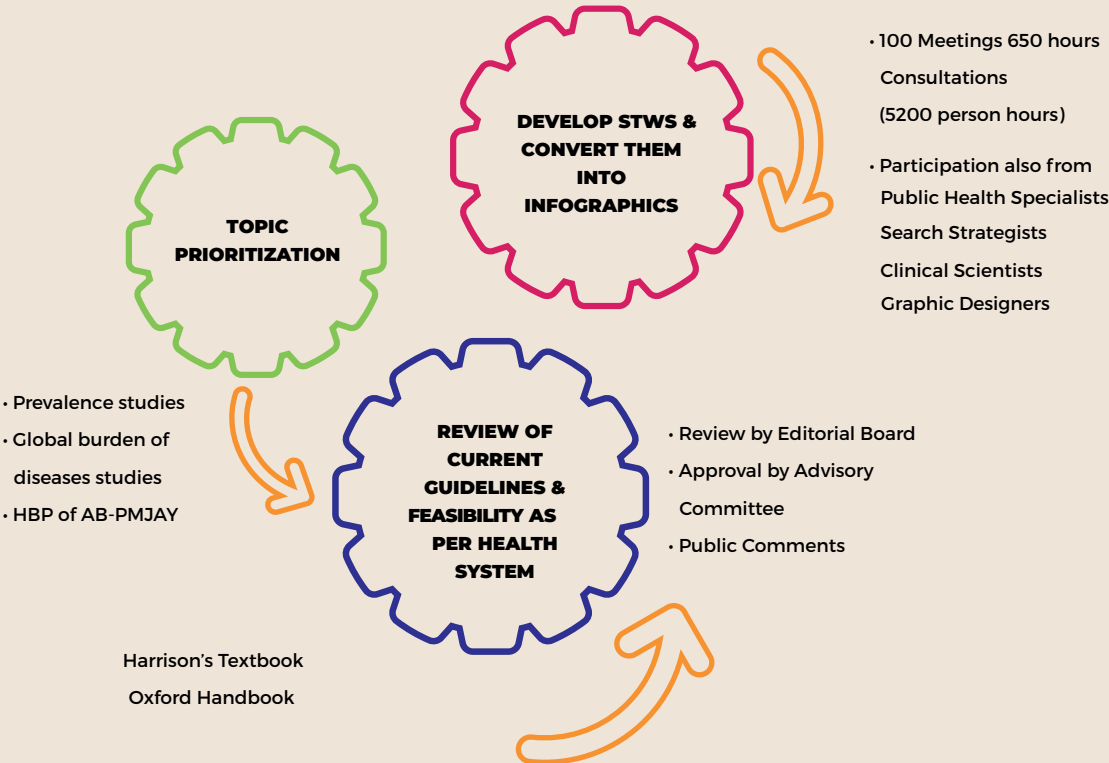
Secondary Objective:

To facilitate PMJAY arm of Ayushman Bharat with secondary and tertiary level management of all surgical and medical conditions covered under the scheme.

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