

# Meeting Overview

The National Kidney Foundation 2010 Spring Clinical Meetings (SCM10) presents a unique opportunity for busy renal health care providers to learn about new developments related to all aspects of nephrology. It is designed for kidney doctors in the private sector and academia, fellows and residents with a special interest in kidney disease, general internists, pharmacists, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses and technicians, social workers, and renal and clinical dietitians.

An important objective of SCM10 is to present the latest insights into the care of chronic kidney disease

patients. Participants will learn about new and evolving concepts related to kidney disease through a carefully designed combination of compelling courses, practical workshops, thought-provoking symposia, and insightful debates incorporating the latest developments in clinical nephrology. Networking activities will be integrated into the program, which will provide opportunities to connect with old colleagues and to meet new professionals who share in the same interests. All educational sessions are eligible for continuing medical education (CME) or continuing education (CE) credit hours.

## Program Objectives

*The Meetings' learning objectives are to increase the participants' awareness of the following areas:*

- Glomerulonephritis treatment approaches
- New clinical trials in polycystic kidney disease
- Acute kidney injury especially in the ICU setting
- Causes of secondary hypertension
- Nephrogenic systemic fibrosis
- Kidney transplantation
- Newer therapies for diabetes and targets for control
- End-of-life issues in patients on dialysis
- Malnutrition and strategies to ameliorate it
- Recruitment for a home hemodialysis program
- Electrolyte disturbances
- Drug dosing in CKD
- Racial and ethnic disparities in CKD
- Nephrolithiasis
- Economics of renal disease

## What's New

- Redesigned preconference course on *CKD Clinics*.
- New and improved *Nephrology 201 for Advanced Practitioners* preconference course—with breakout sessions for both new and seasoned practitioners.
- *Relaxation Therapy* preconference course designed for social workers.
- Dietitians *Roundtable Controversies*—participants discuss controversial topics with experts in the field in a small interactive setting.
- Plenary session on the newest *KDOQI updates*.
- Coverage of the newest *KDIGO Guidelines: CKD-MBD and the Care of the Transplant Recipient*. Also, additional reporting on Acute Kidney Injury (guideline currently in the works).
- Additional uncontested time in the Exhibit Hall.
- Abstract proceedings in a new flash drive format!

## Exhibit Management

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