### **NEPHROLOGY - II**

# PEDIATRIC CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE

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Abstract: Chronic kidney disease is a major health problem but relatively uncommon in children. It can be devastating with many long-term consequences like cardiovascular complications. Chronic kidney disease not only affects the child's health, but has a lasting effect into health in adulthood as well. Limited data are available on chronic kidney disease and end stage kidney disease in children. Despite major scientific advancements with substantial developments in the care of children with chronic kidney disease, some children will still progress adversely with the disease and require kidney replacement therapy. This article discusses about the etiopathogenesis, clinical features, complications and management including strategies to slow the progression of pediatric chronic kidney disease.

**Keywords:** End stage kidney disease, Proteinuria, Hypertension, Kidney replacement therapy, Chronic kidney disease.

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#### **Points to Remember**

- KDIGO 2024 clinical practice guidelines defines CKD as abnormalities of kidney structure or function, present for a minimum of three months, with implications for health.
- Clinical manifestations of CKD in children depends on the stage of CKD and etiology.
- Risk factors for CKD are classified as modifiable and non-modifiable risk factors.
- Blood pressure target in CKD should be <50<sup>th</sup> percentile for age, height, and gender of mean arterial pressure (MAP) on ambulatory blood pressure monitor (ABPM).
- Prompt management of modifiable risk factors like Hypertension, anemia, acidosis and Proteinuria helps to retard the progression of CKD.
- Children with ESKD should be prepared for KRT.

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