

Management of **ACUTE KIDNEY INJURY (AKI)** in ADULTS in Primary Care



AKI e-Alert RESPONSE

AKI Stage 1

CREATININE RISE between 1.5 and 1.9x from normal baseline

AKI Stage 2

CREATININE RISE between 2 and 2.9x from normal baseline

AKI Stage 3

CREATININE RISE 3x from normal baseline

NO

Manage In Community

Is the patient **ACUTELY UNWELL?**
AKI Complications?
Need IV Fluids?
Worsening AKI?
On-going Concerns?

YES

Close follow-up
Early repeat of Creatinine and monitoring of Potassium (K+)

STOP-AKI

Review Clinical State **24 - 48hrs**
(use rapid response team if necessary)
Discuss with Medical Team if On-going Concerns

Admit if Stage 3 AKI
Clinically Unwell and/or high NEWS / Sepsis
Any AKI STAGE with no clear cause
If inadequate response to initial treatment
A possible diagnosis that may need specialist treatment:
AKI with suspicion of urinary tract obstruction or intrinsic renal disease, pregnant,
Urinalysis $\geq 2+$ Blood AND Protein,
Systemic symptoms (e.g. arthralgia, rash, epistaxis, haemoptysis)
(Think glomerulonephritis, vasculitis, interstitial nephritis, myeloma)
AKI Complications: hyperkalaemia (K >6.0 mmol/L), fluid overload, uraemia
Prior chronic kidney disease (CKD) stage 4 or 5 & added AKI. A renal transplant with any AKI

Immediately REFER TO LOCAL HOSPITAL Medical SPR

Consider Urgent discussion with Renal / Urology dependent on suspected cause and AKI severity

STOP-AKI

SEPSIS: Recognise and treat infection. Do Urinalysis: If protein / leucocytes / nitrites: send MSU. Start Antibiotics. Check FBC, U&E at least every 48-72hrs until clinically stable

TOXINS: hold nephrotoxic drugs
- NSAIDs (ibuprofen, naproxen)
- ACE inhibitors
- Angiotensin II Recept. Blockers
- Nitrofurantoin
- Allopurinol

OPTIMISE: BP and Fluid state
-If dehydrated, **encourage oral** fluid intake
-If fluid overload: Refer Medics
-If **HYPOTENSIVE**, STOP anti-hypertensives / diuretics until situation stable and BP returned to patient's norm

PREVENT Harm: Drug Review
Sick day Rules
Stop / Adjust dose:
- Metformin (lactic acidosis)
- Proton pump inhibitors
- Opiates (accumulates)
- Sulphasalazine / Lithium
Discuss with specialists re: dose reduction in AKI
Aim to identify AKI Cause :
Think Pre-renal, Intrinsic Renal disease and Obstructive causes