


## CSN SNAP Committee Meeting MINUTES

Tuesday, March 7, 2023, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. EST

<p><b>Present</b></p> <p>Caroline Stigant, (Chair) Isabel Ethier, QC Tamara Glavinovic Dan Martinusen, BC Kristen Pederson, MB Tasleem Rajan, BC Ratna Samanta, QC Shafali Sandal</p>	<p><b>Regrets</b></p> <p>Syed Obaid Amin, SK Keefe Davis, SK Neil Finkle, NS Naomi Glick, BC Bhavneet Kahlon, AB Ahmad Tarakji, ON</p> <p><b>Administration</b></p> <p>Filomena Picciano, Director of Operations</p> <p><b>Minutes</b></p> <p>Diane Perazzo, Wordsmith Writing and Editing</p>
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<b>1. Welcome, Land Acknowledgement</b>	
<p>Dr. Stigant welcomed the group and called the meeting to order.</p> <p>She offered a land acknowledgement during which she spoke about and shared some photos from her experience as a research assistant with Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) during which time she worked in the area of the Haida Gwaii “The Islands of the People”</p>	

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<p>such as the following image depicting some of the clear cutting of the BC forest:</p>  <p>She also shared a brief video, <a href="#">Flight of the Hummingbird - Haida Manga</a> by Michael Nicoll Yahgulanaas (from Masset City in Haida Gwaii, who was arrested as a young man while protesting the deforestation) which beautifully depicts the importance of smallest contributions to changing the world.</p>	
<b>2. Review and Approval of January 24, 2023 Meeting Minutes</b>	
<p>There were no changes to the previous meeting minutes.</p> <p><i>Dr. Stigant</i> made a motion to approve the January 24, 2023 Meeting Minutes. This motion was seconded by <i>Dr. Ethier. All in favour.</i></p>	
<b>3. Introduction of New Committee Members</b>	
<p>Dr. Stigant introduced Drs. Tamara Glavinovic from Ottawa Ontario and Dr. Shaifali Sandal from Montreal Quebec who provided brief information about their background and why they were interested in becoming a member of SNAP.</p> <p>Dr. Glavinovic is currently involved in the development of a QI Indicator related to sustainability measures for nephrology.</p> <p>Dr. Sandal is part of the ISN Emerging Leaders Cohort who are focusing on climate change and nephrology.</p>	
<b>4. Canadian Sustainable Kidney Care Survey</b>	
<p>Direct links to the survey on REDCap: <a href="https://redcap.link/SNAPsurvey">https://redcap.link/SNAPsurvey</a>, <a href="https://redcap.link/sondageSNAP">https://redcap.link/sondageSNAP</a></p> <p>Dr. Ethier reported that the survey was completed and ready to go. Conditional ethics approval had been granted and final approval was</p>	<p><b>A1.</b> Dr. Ethier will provide regular updates to the SNAP Committee</p>

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<p>expected within the next 24 - 48 hours. The current plan is to release the survey on World Kidney Day on March 9.</p> <p>Dr. Ethier noted that even an incomplete survey will still provide valuable information and that even an “I don’t know” response is helpful to provide data about the knowledge base of the nephrology community about issues related to environmental sustainability.</p> <p>Survey consent is provided when the respondent clicks through from the cover page to the actual survey.</p> <p><b>Committee review of local and emerging national network to optimize survey distribution and response rate.</b></p> <p>The Committee reviewed and discussed a variety of ways to distribute the survey and raised the following key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reaching out to personal and professional networks across Canada.</li> <li>• Promotion by the CSN on their website and via several timed eBlasts and reminders.</li> <li>• A direct email to Nephrology Program and Division Directors.</li> <li>• Sharing via existing allied groups such as CANNT, CST, CAPN, RPN, dietitians, pharmacists.</li> <li>• Provincial nephrology organizations such as the ORN.</li> <li>• Local hospital departments / colleagues.</li> <li>• CSN social media channels.</li> </ul> <p>The Committee also discussed the logistics of using signage and providing the survey on computers used for charting in dialysis units.</p> <p>The final deadline for the survey will be April 15, 2023 and as such, it will be important to send at least 2 - 3 reminders on a regular basis.</p> <p>Dr. Sandal mentioned that the usual survey response rate is about 10% for physicians. This figure increases slightly when an incentive is offered. Ideally, surveys should not take more than 10 minutes to complete.</p> <p>QR codes were also recommended as a way to access the survey.</p> <p>Ideally, some preliminary survey results will be available for the May CSN AGM.</p>	<p>members regarding survey response and progress.</p> <p><b>A2. Committee members and CSN Admin</b> will support survey distribution.</p>
<b>5. ISN Emerging Leaders Collaborators - Project Status Report</b>	
<p>This group includes a diverse group of representatives from 11 different countries (with 2 members from Canada) including Australia, Italy, the UK, Uganda, Nigeria, Egypt and others. Each country brings a unique perspective and a variety of different issues, for example, in Africa, where dialysis availability and means to optimally dispose of clinical waste are limited.</p> <p>The group is conducting three main projects with a focus on green nephrology:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A scoping review of the literature on green nephrology.</li> <li>2. A needs assessment survey.</li> </ol>	

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<p>3. A tool kit to help encourage and support action on green nephrology.</p> <p>The group is also collaborating on a mini review series for Kidney International which should be published within the next year.</p> <p>Dr. Sandal provided more details on the 'KAP survey':</p> <p><b>Tentative title:</b> The knowledge, attitude and practice assessment of health professionals in nephrology on climate change, renal care, and sustainability.</p> <p><b>Aims:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To understand the knowledge and attitude of health professionals in nephrology on climate change and kidney care.</li> <li>• To identify current and possible practices on sustainability and barriers to implementation.</li> <li>• To compare responses by a country's income level and CO2 emissions per capita.</li> </ul>	
<b>6. CASCADES Collaboration</b>	
<p><b>Infographic</b></p> <p><i>The Ten Steps to Sustainability Infographic</i> (distributed with the Meeting Agenda) has been approved by CASCADES for circulation and is currently undergoing translation into French.</p> <p><b>LCD Database Scoping Review of Environmental Metrics</b></p> <p>Dr. Glavinovic reported that this scoping review is focusing on environmental metrics in publications within the Healthcare LCA database, and how this information is being reported and measured. CASCADES will be organizing this information with an intention of producing an infographic 'Environmental Literacy for the Clinician'.</p> <p>The articles in this database pertaining to kidney care will help inform Dr. Rajan's future CJKHD article describing and including a kidney care Life cycle assessment. Dr. Stigant pointed out the incredible cost of health damages as determined by equivalent financial cost of DALYs originating from LCA data obtained at system level for one year of hemodialysis treatment, as recently reported in an article from a Japanese medical journal.</p>	<p><b>A3. Dr. Glavinovic</b> will continue to work on the LCD Database Scoping Review.</p>
<b>7. Future CIHR Grant - SNAP Committee Proposal</b>	
<p><b>Link to the CIHR site:</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.researchnetrecherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtIs.do?next=1&amp;prog=3834&amp;resultCount=25&amp;terms=gacd&amp;type=EXACT&amp;view=search&amp;language=E">https://www.researchnetrecherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtIs.do?next=1&amp;prog=3834&amp;resultCount=25&amp;terms=gacd&amp;type=EXACT&amp;view=search&amp;language=E</a></p> <p>Dr. Sandal reported that the CIHR is currently directing funds into projects that support Canada's pledge to the Paris Agreement and suggested that SNAP consider applying for a grant related to CKD.</p>	<p><b>A4. Drs. Sandal and Stigant</b> will further investigate possibilities for a future CIHR Grant.</p> <p><b>A5. Committee members</b> will consider possible</p>

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<p>It was agreed that the SNAP Committee should identify a few priorities based on preliminary data already collected (and the contribution of the ISN Emerging Leaders Group) for a possible grant submission to the CIHR.</p> <p>It was noted that per current funding requirements, this work would necessarily include underserved populations such as Indigenous and remote communities.</p>	<p>CIHR grant projects.</p>
<p><b>8. Patient Representative on SNAP</b></p>	
<p>Dr. Stigant and Dr. Sandal have potential patient representatives that could provide communications advice.</p>	
<p><b>9. Green Industry Session</b></p>	
<p>Dr. Stigant asked members to set aside April 25 from 3 - 5 p.m. EST for the upcoming Green Industry Session.</p>	<p><b>A6. Ms. Picciano and Dr. Stigant</b> will finalize the Green Industry Session.</p>
<p><b>10. Wrap-up and Next Meeting Date / Time</b></p>	
<p>Dr. Stigant thanked the members for their attendance at the meeting and stated that the next meeting will be by the Upcoming Green Industry Session.</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.</p>	<p><b>A7. Ms. Sa</b> will poll members regarding the timing of the next SNAP.</p>