

THE NEPHROLOGY AND PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE (NPPC)

I. Committee composition and election procedure.

1. The NPPC will have 9 members: a Chair and 8 ordinary members;
2. All members must be elected/confirmed by the Council;
3. The Chair must be the Clinical Nephrology Governance Chair/Chair of the Registry and he/she will remain in the committee for the duration of his/her term;
4. Ordinary members are: the Registry Managing Director, an expert in Public Health and Nephrology, an Epidemiologist/Clinician from Western Europe, an Epidemiologist/Clinician from Eastern Europe, the Chair of EKHA and three young epidemiologists (preferably below 45 years of age). All Committee members must be ERA-EDTA members (categories A and B) and must have filled in the appropriate Application Form (http://www.era-edta.org/NPPC_Committee_Application_Form.docx);
5. It is the Chair who suggests the names of the ordinary members, except the Registry Managing Director and the EKHA Chair, to the Council for acceptance;
6. The term of the ordinary members is three years and can be renewed for another three-year term;
7. Communication among members of NPPC will normally be organised via the Internet;
8. During elections/voting held within the Committee, in case of an equal number of votes, the Chair has the casting vote.

II. Duties of committee members.

1. The main objective of the NPPC is to produce strategic documents and periodic state-of-the-art documents (papers) related to the evolving knowledge in Epidemiology and Clinical Nephrology, as well as to identify possible research hot topics to explore in the coming years. The strategic documents produced by the NPPC will also be read by the Council members who will be co-authors of these documents. The strategic documents will help the Council to define future strategies/plans for topics and financial supports for research projects;
2. The NPPC is supported in its activities by the ERA-EDTA Operative Headquarters;
3. The NPPC Chair must normally give a report to the Council at each meeting (except the post-Congress Council meeting);
4. If possible, the NPPC committee members will meet each year during the ERA-EDTA Congress and, in between, if needed, will organise teleconferences in order to coordinate its activities;
5. For the rules regarding the reimbursement policy for NPPC committee members who participate in face-to-face meetings, for example organised at the time of the annual ERA-EDTA Congress, one must refer to the "[*General Rules for ERA-EDTA Committees*](#)".
6. Diplomas for NPPC committee members. For this matter one should refer to the appropriate section in the "[*General Rules for ERA-EDTA Committees*](#)".
7. All ERA-EDTA NPPC publications, if any, and initiatives must clearly mention the fact that the NPPC is an official body of ERA-EDTA. The sentence approved by Council related to this matter is: "*This article (to be adapted accordingly) was written by (to be adapted accordingly) on behalf of the ERA-EDTA NPPC which is an official body of the ERA-EDTA (European Renal Association – European Dialysis and Transplant Association).*"

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