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# Renal disease - end-stage, diabetes complication

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## *Identifying and Definitional Attributes*

Data Dictionary: NHDD  
Knowledgebase ID: 000844 Version number: 1  
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT  
Registration Authority: NHIMG Admin status: SUPERSEDED  
Effective date: 01-MAR-05  
Definition: Whether an individual has end-stage renal disease as a complication of diabetes, and has required dialysis or has undergone a kidney transplant.  
Context: Public health, health care and clinical settings:  
Diabetes mellitus specific data element.

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## *Relational and Representational Attributes*

Datatype: Numeric  
Representational form: CODE  
Representation layout: N  
Minimum Size: 1  
Maximum Size: 1  
Data Domain: 1 End-stage renal disease - developed in the last 12 m  
2 End-stage renal disease - developed prior to the last  
3 No end-stage of renal disease  
9 Not stated/ inadequately described  
Collection Methods: Ask the individual if he/she has required dialysis or has undergone a kidney (renal) transplant (due to diabetic nephropathy). Alternatively obtain the relevant information from appropriate documentation.  
Related metadata: relates to the data element Blood pressure - diastolic measured version 1  
relates to the data element Blood pressure - systolic measured version 1  
relates to the data element Creatinine serum - measured version 1

relates to the data element Microalbumin/protein - measured  
version 1

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### *Administrative Attributes*

Source Document: National Diabetes Outcomes Quality Review Initiative  
(NDOQRIN) data dictionary.

Source Organisation: National Diabetes Data Working Group

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Comment: To determine chronic renal impairment: -  
Glomerular filtration rate (GFR)  
GFR > 90 ml/min normal  
GFR > 60 - 90 ml/min: mild renal impairment  
GFR > 30 - 60 ml/min: moderate renal impairment  
GFR 0- 30 ml/min: severe renal impairment

For greater than 3 months.

In general, patients with GFR < 30 ml/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> are at high risk of progressive deterioration in renal function and should be referred to a nephrology service for specialist management of renal failure.

Patients should be assessed for the complications of chronic renal impairment including anaemia, hyperparathyroidism and be referred for specialist management if required.

Patients with rapidly declining renal function or clinical features to suggest that residual renal function may decline rapidly (i.e. hypertensive, proteinuric (>1 g/24 hours), significant co-morbid illness) should be considered for referral to a nephrologist well before function declines to less than 30 ml/min. (Draft CARI Guidelines 2002. Australian Kidney Foundation).

Patients in whom the cause of renal impairment is uncertain should be referred to a nephrologist for assessment.

End-stage renal disease is a recognised complication of Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes mellitus. Diabetes is the commonest cause for renal dialysis in Australia.

The term end-stage renal disease has become synonymous with the late stages of chronic renal failure. Diabetic nephropathy may be effectively prevented and treated by controlling glycemia and administering angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors. J Am Soc Nephrol 2002 Jun; 13(6): 1615-1625].

