

SONG Executive Committee
Centre for Kidney Research
The Children's Hospital
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Re: Invitation to endorse SONG core domains and use the SONG core outcomes in haemodialysis and transplantation

Thank you for your letter and opportunity to endorse the current SONG core outcome domains.

We recognise the enormous value of the SONG initiative to the practice of Nephrology, the wellbeing of patients and caregivers, and the clinical care community. After deliberation by the AKTN Scientific Committee and the Executive Operations Secretariat we are pleased to confirm AKTN endorsement subject to the following caveats:

- The term 'endorsement' in this context refers to an in-principle support of the SONG core outcomes
- The use of the SONG core outcomes in AKTN trials will be considered at the point of trial design, and implemented where relevant and feasible
- Future iterations of SONG core domains and outcomes will require independent requests for AKTN endorsement

We trust these conditions are acceptable to the SONG Executive Committee, and give permission for AKTN endorsement of SONG core outcomes in haemodialysis and transplantation to be listed on the SONG website.

Warm Regards



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Chair
AKTN Scientific Committee



A/Prof Carmel Hawley
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