Dear Colleagues,
Welcome to July's edition of eNews.
I would like to remind you that applications are being accepted for the Raine Award, Walls Bursaries and the Lockwood Award. We encourage you to review the criteria for each of the awards and consider if you or a fellow member could apply. The deadline for applications is 31 August 2011.
This issue of eNews promotes a range of meetings however I would like to highlight the Joint Meeting of the Association of British Clinical Diabetes and the Renal Association. This one day meeting will be held on Thursday 23 February 2012 at the ICC, Birmingham and the focus will be Diabetes and Kidney Disease: Advances and Controversies. Registration will open in September 2011.
I would also like to draw your attention once again to the Renal Association Conference, 12 - 14 June 2012 at The Sage Gateshead. We guarantee an exciting programme that will appeal to anyone interested in the kidney, its diseases and their treatments. Please save the date in your diary.

Please read on for even more meetings and updates!
Best wishes,

Lorraine Harper
Honorary Secretary

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**Awards & Bursaries**
We would like to remind you that applications are currently being accepted for the AEG Raine Award, Walls Bursaries and the Lockwood Award. The deadline for all applications is 31st August 2011. [More details](http://www.renal.org/about-us/what-we-do/enews-printable/lists/enews-2011/enews-july-2011)

**NSF Headlines July 2011: Working for better kidney care**
Kidney Care Updates
Please click here to view the latest updates from NHS Kidney Care.

2nd Joint Meeting of the French Society of Nephrology and the UK Renal Association Entente Cordiale
Please click here to view the online publication in Nephron of the scientific abstracts presented at the joint meeting of the Renal Association and the French Society of Nephrology held in Paris in February this year.

Vascular Access Report
The Vascular Access Report 2011 will be published on Wednesday 3rd August. This will be the third Vascular Access Report produced by the NHS Information Centre in partnership with the UK Renal Registry and National Kidney Federation, commissioned by HQIP (Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership). The report, which can be downloaded from the website here from 3rd August, examines the methods and timelines of vascular access for kidney patients requiring haemodialysis. Read more...

New educational portal (OLA: OnLine Academy)
This is to announce the launch in June 2011 of a new educational portal (OLA: OnLine Academy) developed at the Global Kidney Academy (GKA) by Dr Arif Khwaja and Professor Meguid El Nahas. This educational website provides Nephrologists with a range of educational resources. Read more

Fellowships & Research Programmes
New Joint Fellowship with ISN
The Renal Association has recently established a new joint fellowship with the ISN. Together with two existing joint fellowships offered by KRUK and ISN, there are now 3 annual fellowships available to enable suitably qualified overseas trainees to undertake a period of clinical and research training in UK renal units. This is often highly beneficial to both the home and host institutions since the fellow would be expected to return to their home institution following completion. Application deadlines are normally in June and December. Further details are available through the ISN website.

Courses, Meetings & Events
6th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Cardiorenal Forum
This one day meeting will take place on Friday 7th October 2011 at the Royal Society in London and will highlight the important clinical overlap that exists between patients presenting with a primary cardiovascular or renal problem. Please click here for more information.

10th European Peritoneal Dialysis Meeting
The Renal Association, along with the BRS, are partnering the 2011 EuroPD Meeting taking place 21-24 October 2011 at the ICC, Birmingham. Please click here for more information and registration details.

Joint Meeting of the Association of British Clinical Diabetologists and the Renal Association
This one day meeting will be held on Thursday 23 February 2012 at the ICC, Birmingham and the focus will be Diabetes and Kidney Disease: Advances and Controversies. Registration will open in September 2011. Please click here for more details.

The Renal Association Conference 2012
We look forward to welcoming you to our 2012 annual meeting at the Sage, Gateshead on 12-14 June 2012. We will be joined by faculty from the Mayo clinic and I can guarantee an exciting programme that will appeal to anyone interested in the kidney, its diseases and their treatments. Read more

Date For Your Diary
On 6th December 2012 there will be a one-day conference at the Royal College of Physicians London on conservative management of end-stage kidney disease, jointly organised by the Renal Association, Palliative Care and British Geriatrics Society.

Courses, Meetings & Events
Please click on the following links for more information:
1st UCL Nephrology Day - 14 September 2011, London
4th Annual Symposium on Home Dialysis - 29-30 September 2011, Manchester
6th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Cardiorenal Forum - 07 October 2011, London
10th European Peritoneal Dialysis Meeting - 21-24 October 2011, Birmingham
Joint Meeting of the Association of British Clinical Diabetologists and the Renal Association - 23 February 2012, Birmingham
The Renal Association Conference 2012 - 12-14 June 2012, Newcastle

If you have any ideas or would like to include an article or event in eNews, please contact The Renal Association Secretariat on 0845 1800 484 or renalenews@mci-group.com.