



Section 1: Epidemiology and CKD



The Problem

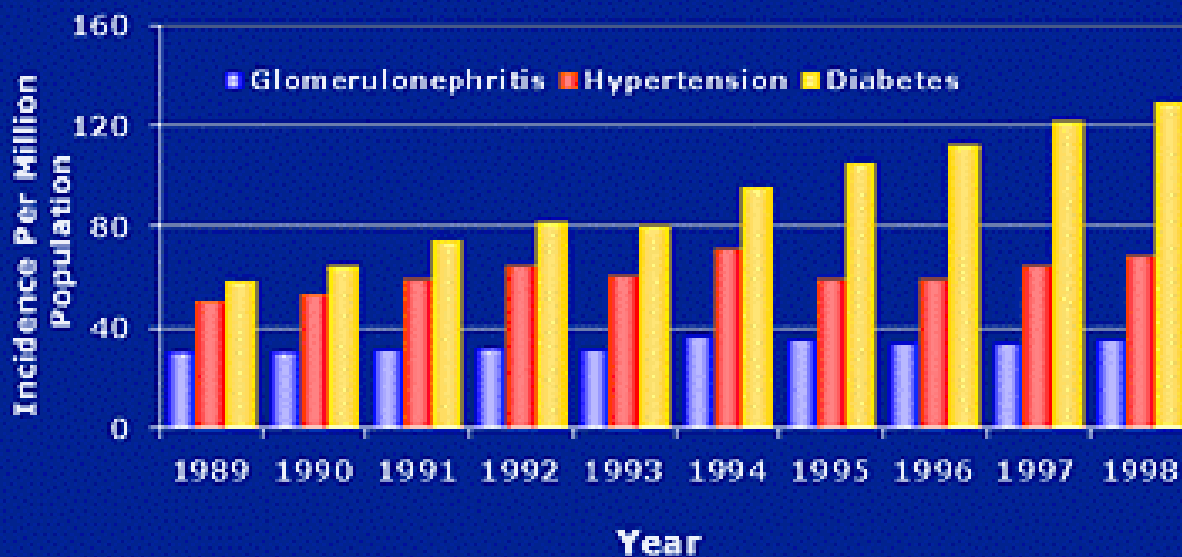
- Chronic Kidney Disease is an epidemic worldwide
 - Growth 6-8% per annum of dialysis patients
- Accumulating data re: possibility of delaying the progression of kidney disease, using multiple drug and behaviour intervention therapies.
- Under-recognition at earlier stages of kidney dysfunction persists
 - Late referral
 - Lost opportunities for improved patient outcomes



Prevalence of ESRF

	Take-on rates /pmp
England	98
Wales	118
France	200
Italy	260
USA	315

Incidence Rates of Reported ESRD by Primary Diagnosis



United States Renal Data System (USRDS)
2000 Annual Data Report + WWW.USRDS.ORG

www.hypertensiononline.org



Primary Diagnoses for Patients Who Start Dialysis

