Physician-pharmacist collaboration in the management chronic kidney diseases

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The management of chronic kidney disease (CKD) are complicated with associated secondary complications and comorbid conditions requiring the use of many medications. As a member of multidisciplinary health care team, various studies have shown that clinical pharmacists have actively participated in medication therapy management in ambulatory CKD and dialysis patients as well as those who are hospitalized. In this presentation, we will review physician-pharmacist collaborative management, emphasizing the role of pharmacists including identification and management of medication-related problems, medication nonadherence, and medication reconciliation to effectively implement individual patient-centered care and positively affect clinical and economic outcomes in patients with CKD.