



Looking to the Future: Improving Health Outcomes for Cardiovascular and Renal Diseases

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Dear Colleagues,

Volatility, uncertainty, complexity, and ambiguity (VUCA) are common terms used to describe current times. As the world emerges from a global pandemic, it faces considerable headwinds, such as geopolitical instability, climate change, and economic challenges to name a few. Against this backdrop, cardiovascular and renal diseases continue to increase, reflecting global population growth and changes in sociodemographic and cardiometabolic factors. More importantly, the burden of disease is not distributed equally across society, requiring changes on how we deliver care and how we focus on unique populations. Traditional approaches to the prevention, management, and palliation of cardiovascular and renal diseases require recalibration in order to consider the social determinants of health, embrace technological innovation, and meet the challenges of increasing demand in a dynamic and changing world.

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