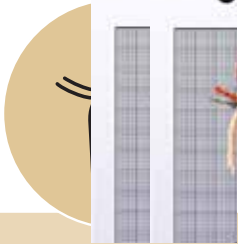
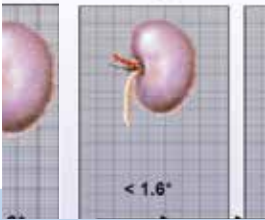
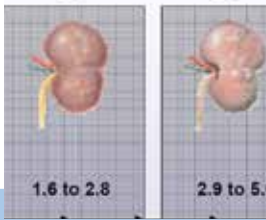
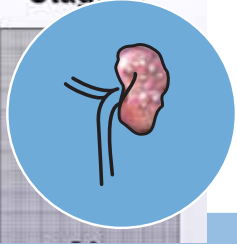


Step 3: Treat CKD

				
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
Treatment recommendations	Use nephrotoxic drugs with caution Correct prerenal and postrenal abnormalities Fresh water available at all times Monitor trends in creatinine and SDMA to document stability or progression Investigate for and treat underlying disease and/or complications Treat hypertension if systolic blood pressure persistently >160 or evidence of end-organ damage Treat persistent proteinuria with renal therapeutic diet and medication (UPC >0.5 in dogs; UPC >0.4 in cats) Keep phosphorus <4.6 mg/dL (<1.5 mmol/L) If required, use renal therapeutic diet plus phosphate binder	Same as Stage 1 Renal therapeutic diet Treat hypokalemia in cats	Same as Stage 2 Keep phosphorus <5.0 mg/dL (<1.6 mmol/L) Treat metabolic acidosis Consider treatment of anemia Treat vomiting, inappetence, and nausea Increased enteral or subcutaneous fluids may be required to maintain hydration Consider calcitriol therapy in dogs	Same as Stage 3 Keep phosphorus <6.0 mg/dL (<1.9 mmol/L) Consider feeding tube for nutritional and hydration support and ease of medicating