

## **CDS INVESTIGATORS**

### **Principal Investigator**

**Glenn Chertow, MD, MPH**

Dr. Glenn Chertow is the former Director of the Nutrition Special Studies Center of the United States Renal Data System. Dr. Chertow served as the Principal Investigator for the CDS Nutrition project and was responsible for the overall project operations. Dr. Chertow provided clinical oversight of the study personnel, data collection, and project implementation.

For further information please see Dr. Glenn Chertow's Biosketch in the *CDS Manual of Operations Section 5: CDS Oversight; CDS Biosketches*.

### **Principal Investigator**

**Nancy Kutner, PhD**

Dr. Nancy Kutner is Professor of Rehabilitation Medicine at Emory University and directs the USRDS Rehabilitation/Quality of Life Special Studies Center located at Emory University, Atlanta GA. Dr. Kutner is also Adjunct Professor of Sociology, and Associate Professor of Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology at Emory University.

Dr. Kutner collaborated with Dr. Brogan in developing the design of the Comprehensive Dialysis Study (CDS) and provided direction for the selection of measures included in the Patient Questionnaire.

Dr. Kutner served as the Principal Investigator for the CDS Quality of Life project and was responsible for the overall project operations. Dr. Kutner provided oversight of the study personnel, data collection, and project implementation.

For further information please see Dr. Nancy Kutner's Biosketch in the *CDS Manual of Operations Section 5: CDS Oversight; CDS Biosketches*.

### **Co-Principal Investigator**

**Donna Brogan, PhD**

Dr. Donna Brogan has worked in sample survey design and analysis for over 40 years. She has over 130 publications, including book chapters on analysis of sample survey data using appropriate software, methodological research in sample survey design and analysis, and collaborative research with health scientists in multiple disciplines. She collaborated over many years with Dr. Nancy Kutner and other colleagues on research in end stage renal disease. Most of her research has been funded by NIH.

Dr. Brogan has conducted over 100 continuing education (CE) courses for over 2500

participants on analysis of data from health sample surveys. She continues to give CE courses after her retirement as Professor of Biostatistics from Emory University in 2004.

Dr. Brogan frequently served as a scientific advisor to federal and state government and other health research organizations. She has evaluated research proposals for almost every federal health agency, particularly NIH. She has provided consultation on both the design and analysis of several health sample surveys, including BRFSS, PRAMS, studies of persons with a specific diagnosis (e.g. HIV/AIDS, cancer, and end stage renal disease), and international health studies. She has consulted on analytical strategies for many additional surveys, including NHANES, NHIS, and YRBS.

For further information please see Dr. Donna Brogan's Biosketch in the *CDS Manual of Operations Section 5: CDS Oversight; CDS Biosketches*.

**Co-Principal Investigator  
George Kaysen, MD, PhD**

Dr. Kaysen is the Acting Chair in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine, the Chief of the Division of Nephrology, Department of Internal Medicine and the Chief of Nephrology, VANCHCS at the University of California, Davis, CA.

For further information please see Dr. George Kaysen's Biosketch in the *CDS Manual of Operations Section 5: CDS Oversight; CDS Biosketches*.

**Co-Principal Investigator  
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Kirsten L. Johansen, MD**

Dr. Kirsten Johansen is the Director of the Nutrition Special Studies Center of the United States Renal Data System. She is Professor of Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco, where she has been conducting clinical research for 14 years and Director of Dialysis at the San Francisco VA Medical Center. Dr. Johansen served as a co-Investigator during the design and conduct of the Comprehensive Dialysis Study.

For further information, please see Dr. Johansen's Biosketch in the *CDS Manual of Operations Section 5: CDS Oversight; CDS Biosketches*.