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Kawasaki Disease Reconsidered

New AHA Guidelines

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Objectives

- At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be able to:
 - Compare Kawasaki Disease practice patterns and evaluate recently published clinical guidelines
 - Recognize features of typical and atypical presentations of Kawasaki Disease
 - Identify potential complications of Kawasaki Disease and of its treatment and prepare management plans

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Presentation Outline

- Introduction to new guidelines (10 minutes)
- Etiology and pathogenesis (10 minutes)
- Diagnosis (20 minutes)
- Management (30 minutes)
- Wrap up (5 minutes)

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Survey

- Survey questions via audience response using the PHM App
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Survey

- Survey is part of a research project approved by Baylor College of Medicine IRB
- Aim: Evaluate hospitalist knowledge, practice patterns, and comfort level in caring for children with Kawasaki Disease
- Survey questions are completely optional and anonymous
- Participation in the survey implies consent to participate
- May opt out at any time

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Audience Response Question 1

- Which of the following best describes you?
 - a) Hospitalist with 0 – 4 years of practice
 - b) Hospitalist with 5 – 10 years of practice
 - c) Hospitalist with > 10 years of practice
 - d) Hospitalist fellow
 - e) Other trainee (medical student, resident)
 - f) Other (including outpatient pediatrics, subspecialty, advanced practice providers, etc.)

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Audience Response Question 2

- Which of the following best describes your primary practice location?
 - a) Outside the USA
 - b) Northeast
 - c) Mid-Atlantic / Southeast
 - d) Midwest
 - e) South / Southwest
 - f) West / Pacific Northwest

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Audience Response Question 3

- Which of the following best describes your primary practice setting?
 - a) Urgent Care
 - b) Community hospital
 - c) Community hospital with academic affiliation
 - d) Tertiary care children's hospital
 - e) Outpatient clinic
 - f) Other

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Introduction to New Guidelines

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Introduction to New Guidelines

- Dajani, et al. published first AHA Guideline in 1993
- 5 Pages

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Introduction to New Guidelines

- Newburger et al. published revision to AHA guideline in 2004
- 25 Pages

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Introduction to New Guidelines

- McCrindle et al. published revision to AHA guideline in 2017
- 75 Pages

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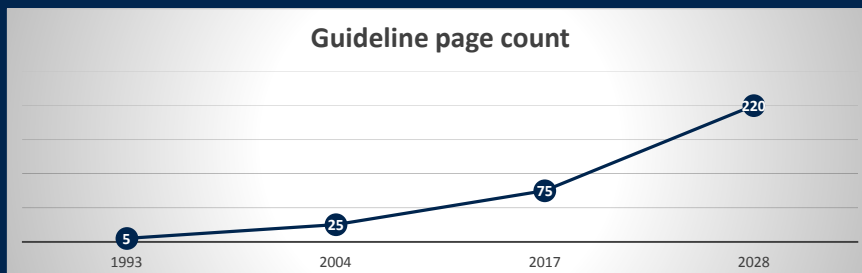
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Introduction to New Guidelines

Guideline page count



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Guideline Process

- Diverse group of content experts
- Representatives from North America, Taiwan, and Japan
- Careful review of the 2004 guidelines
- Background sections drafted to provide content for guidelines
- All recommendation statements reviewed by writing group and then submitted for peer review

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2017 Stated Updates

- New evidence regarding underlying pathology
- An algorithm to ensure capture of incomplete KD during effective window of therapy
- Improved management of the acute illness that includes the use of additional therapies for IVIG refractory patients

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2017 Stated Updates

- Greater use of Z-scores for classifying coronary artery involvement
- Greater specification of long-term management based on both initial and current coronary artery involvement
- Acknowledgement of care needs of growing population of adults with a previous history of KD and coronary artery aneurysms

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Summary

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Summary

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- For patients with coronary artery abnormalities (CAA) we recommend early cardiology involvement

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Section 1: Pathophysiology

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Section 1: Pathophysiology

- Moderator and audience questions (10 minutes)

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Section 2: Diagnosis

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Audience Response Question 4

- What is your comfort level in independently (without a consulting service) diagnosing incomplete Kawasaki Disease?
 - a) Very comfortable
 - b) Somewhat comfortable
 - c) Somewhat uncomfortable
 - d) Very uncomfortable

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Audience Response Question 5

- What is your comfort level in independently managing classic Kawasaki Disease?
 - a) Very comfortable
 - b) Somewhat comfortable
 - c) Somewhat uncomfortable
 - d) Very uncomfortable

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Audience Response Question 6

- What is your comfort level in independently managing KD complicated by mild coronary artery dilation (no aneurysms) diagnosed prior to day 10 of fever?
 - a) Very comfortable
 - b) Somewhat comfortable
 - c) Somewhat uncomfortable
 - d) Very uncomfortable

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Audience Response Question 7

- Is any subspecialty/department typically consulted when a patient is diagnosed with classic KD without complications?
 - a) No
 - b) Yes, ID
 - c) Yes, Cardiology
 - d) Yes, Rheumatology
 - e) Yes, Cardiology and ID
 - f) Yes, Cardiology and Rheumatology
 - g) Yes, other

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Audience Response Question 8

- In addition to the PCP, who follows patients with classic KD without complications after discharge?
 - a) None (PCP only)
 - b) Cardiology
 - c) ID
 - d) Rheumatology
 - e) ID and Cardiology
 - f) Cardiology and Rheumatology
 - g) Other

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Diagnosis

- Moderator and audience questions (20 minutes)

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Diagnosis

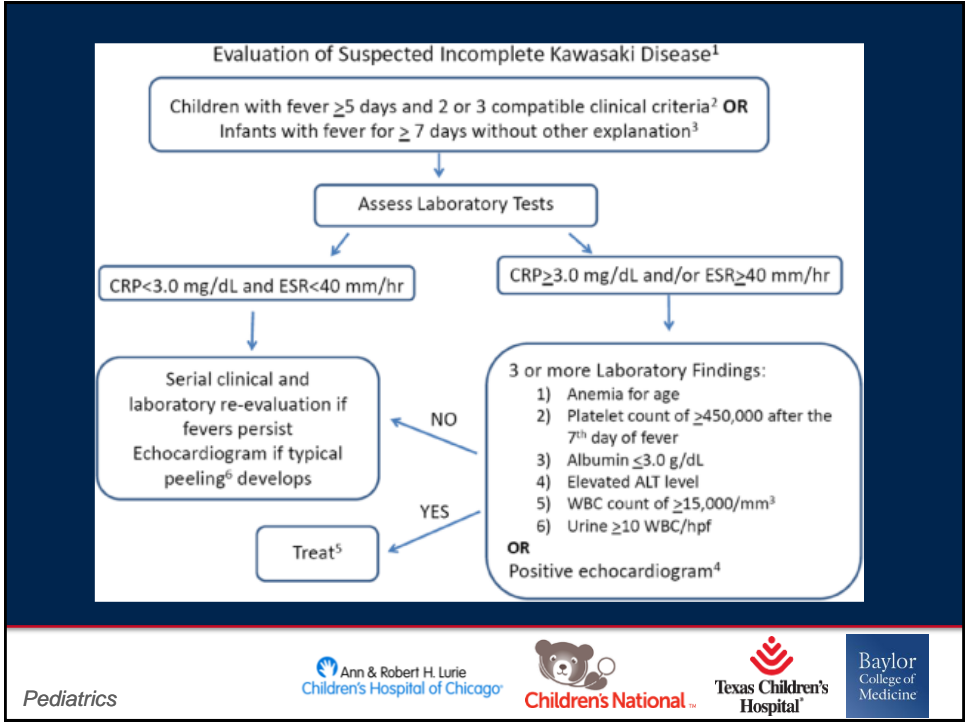
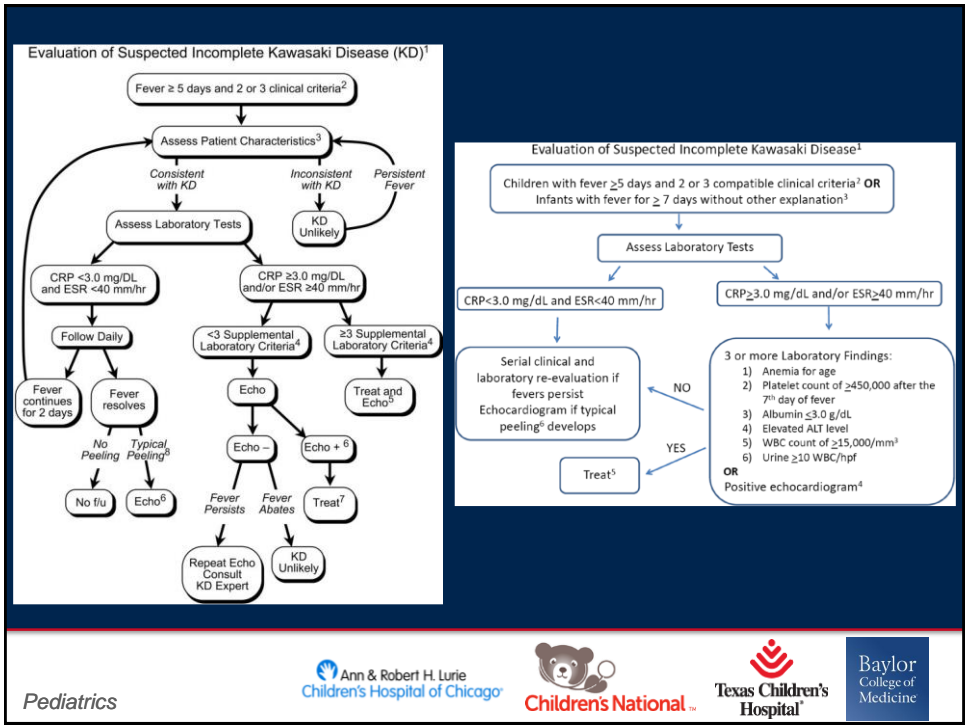
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- Is 2.5 the magic number?

Bratincsak, et al. *Pediatr Infect Dis J.* 2012;31:924-926

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Audience Response Question 9

- In a patient with classic KD and a normal initial echocardiogram, what is your initial treatment?
 - a) IVIG and high dose aspirin (80 – 100 mg/kg/day)
 - b) IVIG and medium dose aspirin (30 – 50 mg/kg/day)
 - c) IVIG and low dose aspirin (3 – 5 mg/kg/day)
 - d) IVIG alone
 - e) IVIG and corticosteroids (with or without aspirin)
 - f) Corticosteroids alone
 - g) Other

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Audience Response Question 10

- In a patient with classic KD and no complications who receives IVIG, how long do you typically observe following completion of IVIG prior to discharge?
 - a) <24 hours
 - b) About 24 hours
 - c) About 36 hours
 - d) About 48 hours
 - e) >48 hours

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Audience Response Question 11

- In a patient with classic KD and no complications who received IVIG, which of the following most closely approximates the number of hours after the completion of IVIG when you would consider fever (>100.4 F) to indicate non-response to IVIG?
 - a) 18 hours
 - b) 24 hours
 - c) 36 hours
 - d) 48 hours
 - e) Other

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Audience Response Question 12

- You have a patient with classic KD who is found to have coronary artery dilation (but no aneurysm formation) on initial echocardiogram. Aside from giving aspirin, what is your most typical initial step?
 - a) IVIG alone
 - b) IVIG and corticosteroids
 - c) IVIG and TNF α inhibitor (infliximab or etanercept)
 - d) Corticosteroids alone
 - e) TNF α inhibitor alone
 - f) Other

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Audience Response Question 13

- You are caring for a patient with classic KD and no coronary artery changes who has recurrence of fever. You consider this recurrence to indicate a failed to response to an initial dose of IVIG. Which of the following is your most typical next step?
 - a) Observe
 - b) Second dose of IVIG
 - c) IVIG and corticosteroids
 - d) Corticosteroids alone
 - e) TNF α inhibitor alone (infliximab or etanercept)
 - f) IVIG and TNF α inhibitor
 - e) Other

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Steroids:

- RAISE study (2012)
 - Prospective, randomized, open-label, blinded endpoint trial
 - 74 hospitals in Japan
 - Patients selected for severe presentation
 - IVIG and aspirin OR
 - IVIG and aspirin and prednisolone 2 mg/kg over 15 days

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Steroids

- RAISE study
 - Incidence of CAA significantly lower in steroid group
 - 3% in steroid group vs 23% in control group
 - Serious adverse events were similar

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Steroids

- Chen et al. JAMA Pediatrics (2016)
 - Relative Risk Reduction of 58% in CAA
 - No benefit as rescue therapy
 - High risk patients received greatest risk reduction
 - No difference in adverse events

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Steroids

- Cochrane Systematic Review
 - Wardle et al. January, 2017
 - 7 studies (6 out of 7 were in JAMA Peds meta-analysis)
 - “Moderate quality evidence shows that the use of steroids in the acute phase of KD can be associated with improved CAA, shorter duration of stay and decreased duration of symptoms.”



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Steroids

- Cochrane Systematic Review
 - Note that the most benefit may be in:
 - Japanese populations
 - Higher risk score patients
 - Those receiving a longer course of steroids
 - Acknowledge that there may be a confounding bias
 - **“Treatment with a long course of steroids should be considered in all children diagnosed with KD until further studies are performed.”**

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Aspirin

- **“Aspirin does not appear to lower the frequency of development of coronary abnormalities.”**
- Japan and Europe use 30 – 50 mg/kg/day
- US uses 80 – 100 mg/kg/day
- **“There are no data to suggest that either does of ASA is superior.”**

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Aspirin

- Cochrane review (2006)
- “Until good quality RCTs are conducted, there is insufficient evidence to indicate whether children with KD should receive ASA.”



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Aspirin

- Pediatrics June 2017
 - Multicenter, retrospective, nonrandomized cohort study in Canada
 - 1213 children ages 0 to 10 with acute KD
 - Low dose ASA was not inferior to high dose for reducing CAA
 - Rate of fever recurrence and fever duration not significantly different



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Other therapies

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