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MEI Wins National Award for Chronic Kidney Disease Booklets

Madison, Wisconsin—The non-profit Medical Education Institute (MEI) is a Merit Award Winner in the 22nd annual National Health Information Awards, for two new booklets on chronic kidney disease (CKD). This program recognizes the nation’s best consumer health information materials.

Staying Healthy with Stage 3 CKD and Living the Life You Want – Options for Treating Stages 4&5 CKD were written and designed to give patients and families the information and hope they need to effectively manage CKD and make informed healthcare decisions. Both are written at a 6th grade reading level, which is optimal for patient comprehension; they can be previewed and ordered online.

“Our CKD education booklets fill a unique need for practical, straightforward information on how to manage CKD,” said Dori Schatell, MEI Executive Director. “Patients who read them will learn that CKD can be slowed, and living a full, active life is entirely possible. Clinicians can benefit by offering these booklets to patients to reinforce the teaching they do in person and help transmit key information to family members—and we can customize them for a practice or provider.”

This is the 12th award MEI has received from the Health Information Resource Center, a national clearinghouse for consumer health information. Past awards have been for Home Dialysis Central, Kidney School, Help, I Need Dialysis!, and My Life, My Dialysis Choice.

About MEI: Founded in 1993, MEI is a national 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to helping people with chronic diseases learn to manage and improve their health. MEI fulfills its mission by conducting research, developing evidence-based educational materials for consumers and health professionals, and advocating for patient-centered policies. MEI is funded through corporate sponsorships, fee-for-service contracts, product sales, and donations. Tax-deductible contributions can be made through MEI’s website, www.meiresearch.org.

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