



Correction to: The association between socioeconomic disadvantage and parent-rated health in children and adolescents with chronic kidney disease—the Kids with CKD (KCAD) study

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In this paper: *The association between socioeconomic disadvantage and parent-rated health in children and adolescents with chronic kidney disease – the Kids with CKD (KCAD) study, the authors noticed a number of numerical errors while they rechecked their analyses.* These do not affect their overall conclusions.

These changes impact results in Fig. 3 and Tables 1, 2, 3, 4.

In the estimates for the ‘Association between socioeconomic disadvantage and parent-rated health’ in the **abstract**, it should read “*In the entire cohort, the adjusted odds ratios (ORs) and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) for poor parent-rated health were 1.73 (1.03–2.92) for lower*

household income, 1.62 (0.97–2.71) for families that did not own their own home, 2.58 (1.52–4.38) for caregivers who rated their financial status as poor, 0.75 (0.45–1.23) for lower educational attainment and 1.49 (0.90–2.47) for children whose primary caregivers were unemployed. With reference to the highest global SES index quartile, adjusted ORs for poor parent-rated health in descending order were 1.72 (0.77–3.82), 2.71 (1.25–5.88) and 2.43 (1.10–5.39), respectively. The association between low SES and poor parent-rated health was modified by CKD stage, where lower global SES index was independently associated with poor parent-rated health in children with CKD stages I–V, but not children on dialysis or with kidney transplants ($p = 0.01$).”

This error was repeated in **results** paragraphs of the main text that refer to Fig. 3 and Tables 2–4. This also impacted the first line of the first paragraph of the **discussion** which

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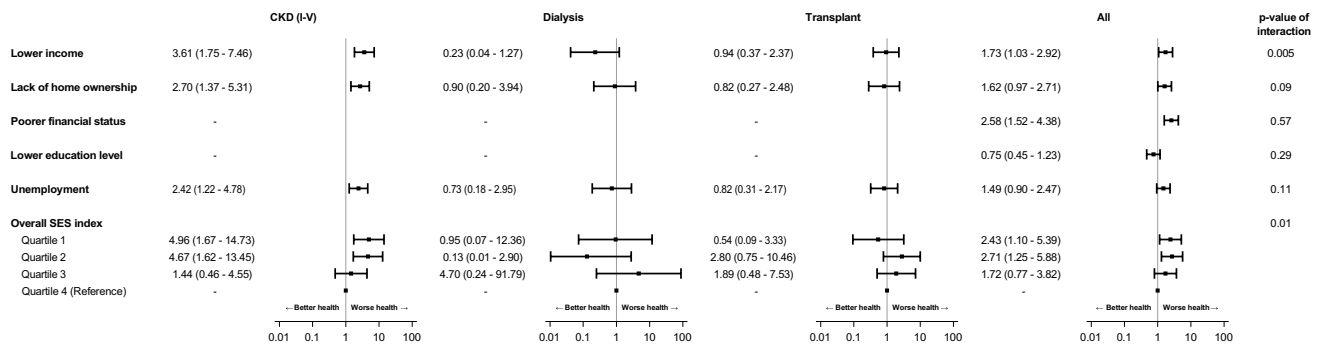


Fig. 3 Association between socioeconomic disadvantage and parent-rated health of the child with CKD. *Notes:* Each odds ratio is from a separate regression, adjusted for age, ethnicity and gender (plus CKD stage for those in the “All” column). Reference categories for individual socioeconomic exposures (in order from top to bottom) are: higher income (> \$1250AUD/week), home ownership (owned outright/mortgage), better financial status (comfortable to prosperous), higher education level (other certificate or diploma/bachelor’s degree

or higher/other education), any employment. Global SES index is a continuous variable derived from a principal component analysis on all 5 individual socioeconomic exposures, as described in the methods. It was categorized into quartiles for the regression, with Quartile 4 (highest socioeconomic status) treated as the reference category. The p-values are for the interaction between each socioeconomic exposure and CKD stage (CKD I-V vs. dialysis vs. transplant).

should read ‘Children from lower SES backgrounds in terms of financial status were approximately 2.5 times as likely to experience fair or poor health compared to those of higher SES’ and the third line of the first paragraph of the

discussion. ‘Children with CKD stages 1-5, but not children on renal replacement therapy (RRT) (dialysis and with kidney transplants), whose caregivers were either unemployed, had below average weekly income or lack of home ownership

Table 1 Baseline characteristics of children with CKD and their caregivers (N = 377)

	Stage I-V N = 199 N (%)		Dialysis N = 43 N (%)		Transplant N = 135 N (%)		Total N = 377 N (%)	
Characteristics of children								
Gender								
Male	133	(67)	21	(49)	79	(59)	233	(62)
Age (years)								
6–9	68	(34)	11	(26)	41	(30)	120	(32)
10–14	83	(42)	16	(37)	43	(32)	142	(38)
15+	48	(24)	16	(37)	51	(38)	115	(31)
Cause of CKD								
CAKUT	62	(31)	18	(42)	47	(35)	127	(34)
Glomerulonephritis	34	(17)	6	(14)	18	(13)	58	(15)
Nephrotic	59	(30)	6	(14)	27	(20)	92	(24)
Cystic	14	(7)	4	(9)	13	(10)	31	(8)
Other	30	(15)	9	(21)	30	(22)	69	(18)
Ethnicity								
Australian Indigenous	8	(4)	2	(5)	7	(5)	17	(5)
Māori	3	(2)	2	(5)	2	(1)	7	(2)
Pacific Islander	1	(1)	2	(5)	1	(1)	4	(1)
Caucasian	108	(54)	24	(56)	88	(65)	220	(58)
Middle Eastern	22	(11)	7	(16)	13	(10)	42	(11)
Asian	40	(20)	2	(5)	16	(12)	58	(15)
Other	14	(7)	3	(7)	5	(4)	22	(6)
Private Health Insurance								
Yes	78	(39)	7	(16)	50	(37)	135	(36)
State/country								
New South Wales	142	(71)	15	(35)	73	(54)	230	(61)
Queensland	5	(3)	9	(21)	15	(11)	29	(8)

Table 1 (continued)

	Stage I-V N = 199 N (%)		Dialysis N = 43 N (%)		Transplant N = 135 N (%)		Total N = 377 N (%)	
Victoria	22	(11)	15	(35)	30	(22)	67	(18)
New Zealand	30	(15)	4	(9)	17	(13)	51	(14)
Characteristics of caregivers								
Age								
< 40 years	56	(28)	15	(35)	41	(30)	112	(30)
40–70 years	138	(69)	27	(63)	91	(67)	256	(68)
Gender								
Male	30	(15)	9	(21)	17	(13)	56	(15)
Education								
Primary school/secondary school/trade certificate	76	(38)	24	(56)	60	(44)	160	(42)
Other certificate or diploma/other education/ Bachelor’s degree or higher	123	(62)	18	(42)	74	(55)	215	(57)
Household income								
< \$1250AUD/wk	88	(44)	26	(60)	69	(51)	183	(49)
> \$1250AUD/wk	103	(52)	12	(28)	58	(43)	173	(46)
*Prefer not to say	8	(4)	5	(12)	8	(6)	21	(6)
Employment status								
Unemployed	79	(40)	25	(58)	52	(39)	156	(41)
Any employment	120	(60)	17	(40)	82	(61)	219	(58)
Marital status								
Single	34	(17)	12	(28)	31	(23)	77	(20)
Married/defacto	165	(83)	29	(67)	102	(76)	296	(79)
Perceived financial status								
Very poor to getting along	100	(50)	31	(72)	72	(53)	203	(54)
Comfortable to prosperous	99	(50)	10	(23)	62	(46)	171	(45)
Home ownership								
Rented/other	69	(35)	16	(37)	32	(24)	117	(31)
Owned outright/mortgage	129	(65)	25	(58)	101	(75)	255	(68)

Notes: Caregiver characteristics displayed are of the caregiver who filled out the questionnaire. Percentages displayed of total including missing data: caregiver age, n = 9 (2%), caregiver gender n = 2 (0.5%), private health insurance n = 1 (0.3%), ethnicity n = 7 (2%), education n = 2 (0.5%), employment n = 2 (0.5%), marital status n = 4 (1%), financial status n = 3 (1%), home ownership n = 5 (1%). *indicative of question refusal.

were approximately 2.5 to 3.5 times as likely to experience fair to poor health compared to children with caregivers who were more affluent across all these socioeconomic measures.’ Similarly, in the final paragraph of the **discussion** the second sentence should read “This is influenced by CKD stage whereby among children with stage I-V (but not those on RRT), low global SES was associated with approximately 1.5 to 5 times the odds of poor parent-rated child health across decreasing SES quartiles.”

In the second and third paragraph of **results**, this should read ‘The median age of participating primary caregivers was 43.3 years [IQR 38.9–48.2], 77 (20%) were single parents, 156 (41%) were not in paid employment, 215 (57%) had certificate/diploma, other education, bachelor’s degree or higher tertiary education, and 255 (68%) owned property either outright or with a mortgage. A higher proportion of caregivers of children on dialysis were unemployed (p = 0.01), in the lower income category (p = 0.03) and

Table 2 Correlation matrix of the key socioeconomic determinants of the cohort

	Income	Perceived financial status	Employment	Home ownership	Education
Income	1	0.48	0.40	0.37	0.34
Perceived financial status	0.48	1	0.26	0.29	0.19
Employment	0.40	0.26	1	0.14	0.23
Home ownership	0.37	0.29	0.14	1	0.19
Education	0.34	0.19	0.23	0.19	1

Table 3 Results from the principal component analyses

Component	Eigenvalue	Differences	Variance proportion	Cumulative variance proportion
Component 1	2.21	1.33	0.44	0.44
Component 2	0.88	0.09	0.18	0.62
Component 3	0.79	0.13	0.16	0.78
Component 4	0.66	0.20	0.13	0.91
Component 5	0.46		0.09	1.0

Table 4 Contribution of variables to component 1 from principal component analyses

Variables	Factor loadings for component 1
Income	0.82
Perceived financial status	0.70
Employment	0.61
Home ownership	0.59
Education	0.57

reported lower perceived financial status than caregivers whose children were not on dialysis ($p=0.005$), while caregivers of children on dialysis were marginally more likely to have lower education levels ($p=0.05$), and there were no differences in home ownership ($p=0.27$).

‘After adjusting for age and gender, children on dialysis had 2.6 times the odds of poorer parent-rated health than those with CKD stages I-V or after transplant [adjusted OR (95% CI): 2.57 (1.32-5.01), $p=0.006$]. Adjusting for CKD stage, children were more likely to experience poorer parent-rated health if they had any comorbidities [adjusted OR (95% CI): 3.15 (1.73-5.74), $p<0.001$]. In particular, the likelihood of experiencing poor parent-rated health was higher among those with hypertension [adjusted OR (95% CI): 1.77 (1.06-2.97)], growth deficiency [1.81 (1.04-3.14)] and chronic infections [3.82 (1.57-9.29)]. Parents with poor self-rated health were also more likely to rate their child’s health as poor or fair, after adjustment for CKD stage [adjusted OR (95% CI): 3.16 (1.69-5.90), $p<0.001$].’

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