

## Title

NHS Evidence – Kidney Diseases and Male Urogenital Disorders: search strategies for Annual Evidence Updates

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## References

NHS Evidence – Kidney Diseases and Male Urogenital Disorders

<http://www.library.nhs.uk/kidney>

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2009 Annual Evidence Update on Proteinuria and eGFR

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