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ADVOCACY IN WASHINGTON



TOP 10 ADVOCACY SUCCESSES

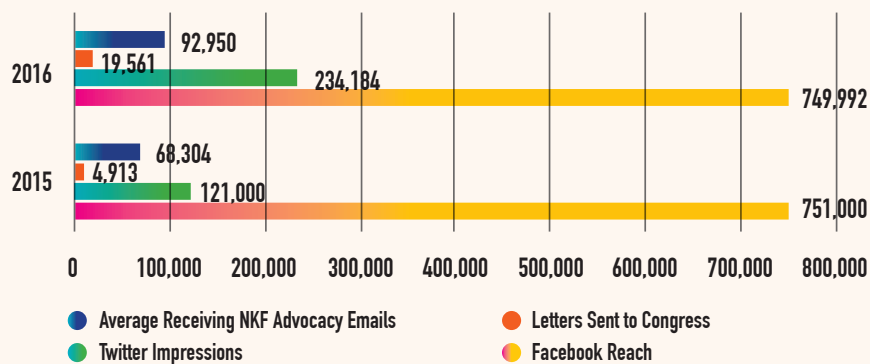
1. Invited by the Obama Administration, NKF CEO Kevin Longino, and board member and transplant surgeon Dr. Matt Cooper participated in the White House Organ Summit and announced new initiatives to help patients find living organ donors
2. Potassium and calcium amounts to be included on FDA Nutrition Facts Labeling
3. Inclusion of key provisions in the CHRONIC Care Act (S. 3504), to improve kidney patient's access to telehealth and tailored Medicare health plans that can better meet the unique health care needs of kidney patients
4. Patient recommended improvements made to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Dialysis Facility Compare Star Ratings Program
5. Secured funding for the first Kidney Patient Centered Outcomes Research Stakeholders' Conference
6. The Idaho Department of Insurance released reforms to make Medigap plans available to those with ESRD and limit premium costs
7. Expanded support for the Living Donor Protection Act in Congress
8. Prepared CKD Early Detection and Management legislation for introduction in 2017
9. Promoted the Comprehensive Immunosuppressive Drug Coverage for Kidney Transplant Patients Act
10. Secured increased funding for federal kidney disease research

NKF'S KIDNEY ADVOCACY COMMITTEE (KAC)

NKF's patient advocacy committee, consists of CKD patients, transplant recipients, living organ donors, and patients' families. In its second year, KAC's more than 200 advocates:

1. Strengthened NKF's visibility as a patient-centered organization by becoming patient spokespersons, building relationships with local and national media outlets, and representing the patient voice at numerous external conferences and meetings within the kidney health and broader medical community
2. Developed NKF partnerships with Members of Congress to make kidney care a national priority and advance NKF's public policy priorities
3. Propelled forward NKF's strategic plan around awareness, prevention and treatment of kidney disease by participating in NKF events and programs, and providing input on patient and public materials

NKF's Grassroots Advocacy Growth



The Growth of the Kidney Advocacy Committee

