Appropriations Funding Requests

### Issue

**30 Million**

U.S. adults with chronic kidney disease and astonishingly 90% are unaware they have it.

Disproportionate impact on minorities.

African Americans develop kidney failure at a rate of nearly 4 to 1 compared to Caucasians, while Hispanics develop kidney failure at a rate of 2 to 1.

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### Background & Request

#### Division of Diabetes Translation’s (DDT) CKD Surveillance Project

To address the social and economic impact of kidney disease, Congress launched the CKD Surveillance Project, which is run by DDT at CDC. CDC estimates that over a third of adults over the age of 30 will develop CKD during their lifetime. A stronger focus and broader effort is needed to promote cost-effective early testing and treatment for CKD to slow the progression of kidney disease and prevent or postpone kidney failure.

**Increase the CKD Surveillance Project’s budget by $1 million in FY2020**

#### HRSA Division of Transplantation (DoT)

DoT is responsible for implementation of policies and oversight governing the distribution of organs for transplant. DoT also supports programs to increase the number of organs, including the National Living Donor Assistance Center (NLDAC) and the upcoming demonstration to cover living donor lost wages.

**Increase funding for DoT, including assistance to reimburse living donors’ expenses, such as lost wages and child and dependent care.**

#### HRSA Bureau of Primary Care

The Bureau of Primary Care helps fund, staff, and support a national network of more than 9,800 health clinics for people in underserved communities who otherwise would have little or no access to care. 1 in 13 Americans receives care at participating health clinics.

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#### NIH National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)

Despite the large federal investment in caring for people with kidney failure, funding for kidney disease research is only approximately $600 million annually.

**Increase funding to expand research on progression and treatments for CKD.**

#### KidneyX (Kidney Innovation Accelerator)


**Appropriate funding to support KidneyX.**

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