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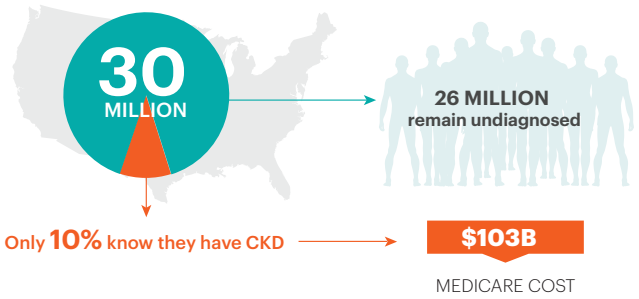
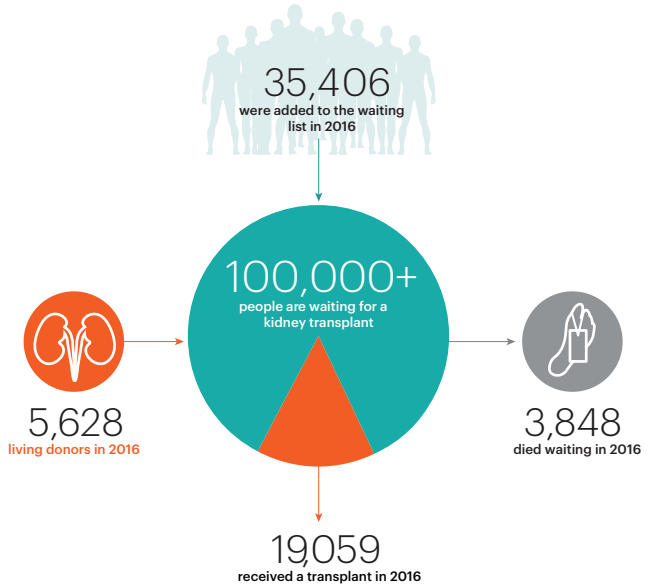
CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE
A NATIONAL HEALTH CARE PRIORITY

AMERICAN ADULTS WITH **CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE (CKD)**



KIDNEY WAITING LIST FACTS

The optimal treatment for most patients with kidney failure is transplantation. And, studies show that the best-functioning, longest-lasting type of transplant comes from a living donor. **But the number of kidneys falls far too short of the need.** In the U.S.:



Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (OPTN) data from http://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov, February 2, 2017

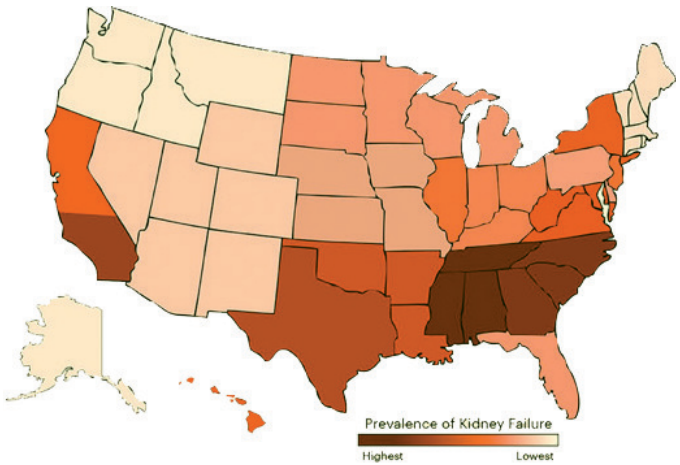
KIDNEY DISEASE IN **KANSAS**

Patients on Medicare diagnosed with CKD	**1,644**
Patients on dialysis	**2,983**
Patients with a kidney transplant	**2,724**
Patients on the transplant waitlist	**294**
Transplants in 2016	**132**
Patients who died while on waitlist in 2016	**21**

Average Cost to Medicare

Dialysis patient	**$85,979**
Transplant after first year	**$32,586**
Kidney disease test	**$80-$143**

KIDNEY DISEASE IN THE USA FOR COMPARISON



Sources of Facts and Statistics: Organ Procurement and Transplant Network (OPTN) (2016), United States Renal Data System (USRDS) (2016).

HOW CAN CONGRESS HELP FIGHT KIDNEY DISEASE?

Chronic Kidney Disease Early Detection and Management (H.R. 3867)

Co-sponsor legislation that seeks to establish a pilot program to help improve care, and outcomes, for patients with chronic kidney disease (CKD). The legislation demonstrates that early detection of CKD, combined with effective and coordinated care that engages patients in the decision-making process, can not only improve clinical results but also lower health care costs.

Living Donor Protection Act (H.R. 1270)

Co-sponsor legislation that would prohibit discrimination in life, disability, or long-term care insurance for living donors. The bill also adds living donation to the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA).

Appropriations

Increase funding in Fiscal Year 2018 for CDC's Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion to fight Chronic Kidney Disease, the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK), and the Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA) Division of Transplantation and Bureau of Primary Care.

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