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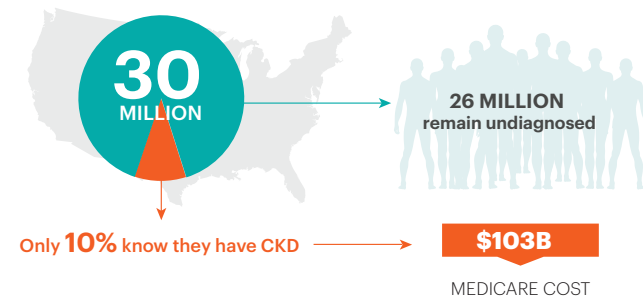
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The National Kidney Foundation is the leading organization in the U.S. dedicated to the awareness, prevention and treatment of kidney disease for hundreds of thousands of healthcare professionals, millions of patients and their families, and tens of millions of Americans at risk.

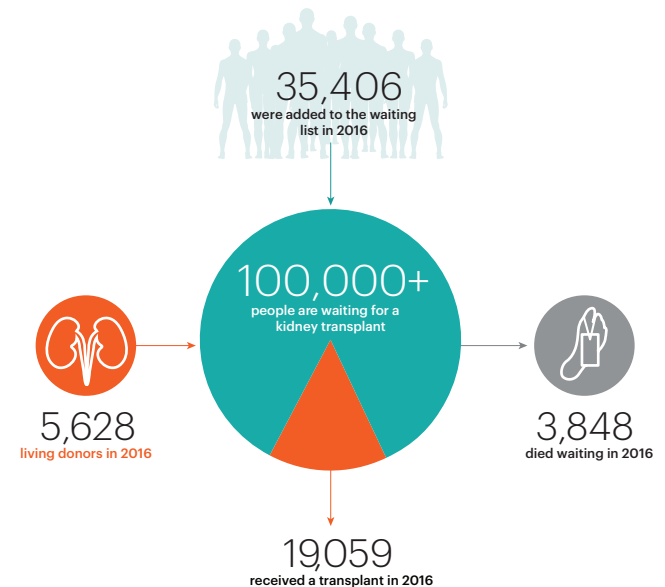
CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE A NATIONAL HEALTH CARE PRIORITY

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.:



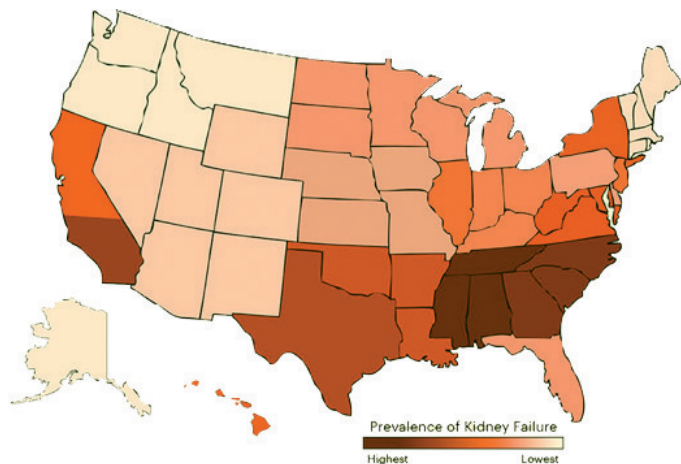
KIDNEY DISEASE IN **NORTH CAROLINA**

Patients on Medicare diagnosed with CKD	6,227
Patients on dialysis	14,778
Patients with a kidney transplant	11,195
Patients on the transplant waitlist.....	2,501
Transplants in 2016	565
Patients who died while on waitlist in 2016	127

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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