

HOW CAN CONGRESS HELP



Living Donor Protection Act (S. 377/H.R. 1255)

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

CARE for Home Dialysis Act

This bill would remove barriers to accessing home dialysis and ensure that all patients are given the opportunity to dialyze on their own time, in the comfort of their own home, if they so choose.




Appropriations

NKF is seeking funding for the Kidney Risk Campaign; \$15 million for CDC's Chronic Kidney Disease Initiative; and additional funding for the National Institutes of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Disease (NIDDK).

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- 41,980** Medicare patients with CKD diagnosed
- 3,701** Medicare patients on dialysis
- 957** Kidney patients on the transplant waitlist
- 239** Kidney transplants in 2020
- 39** Patients who died while on waitlist in 2020

AVERAGE ANNUAL COST TO MEDICARE

Pre-kidney failure		\$23,558
Dialysis patient		\$90,323
Transplant after first year		\$25,942

For additional information, contact NKFadvocacy@kidney.org

Sources of Facts and Statistics: Organ Procurement and Transplant Network (OPTN) (2021), United States Renal Data System (USRDS) (2021).



37 MILLION adults have CKD and **90%** don't know



LEAD CAUSES
Diabetes and high blood pressure are the leading causes of CKD



RACIAL DISPARITIES
African Americans (x4), Hispanics (x1.3), Asians (x1.4), and Native Americans (x1.4) are more likely than Caucasians to have CKD