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).

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

7,680 Medicare patients with CKD diagnosed
1,637 Medicare patients on dialysis
1,267 Kidney patients on the transplant waitlist
410 Kidney transplants in 2020
62 Patients who died while on waitlist in 2020

AVGARE ANNUAL COST TO MEDICARE

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

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