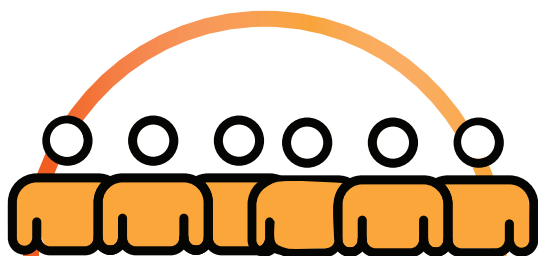


# CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE (CKD)



**37 MILLION**

adults have CKD and  
90% don't know



**\$120 BILLION**

*Medicare spent on  
kidney patients*

2019

**24,250**  
received a kidney



**95,000**  
waiting for a kidney



**6,900**  
living kidney donors



**41,000**  
were added to  
the waiting list



**3,400**  
died waiting



For additional information, contact [NKFadvocacy@kidney.org](mailto:NKFadvocacy@kidney.org)

Sources of Facts and Statistics: Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (OPTN), January 2020



## HOW CAN CONGRESS HELP?

### Living Donor Protection Act (S. 511/H.R. 1224)

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

### Immunosuppressive Drug Coverage for Kidney Transplant Patients Act (S. 3353/H.R. 5534)

Medicare covers immuno-suppressants for only 36 months post-transplant, leaving many recipients struggling to find affordable coverage. Extending Medicare coverage for immunosuppressive medications indefinitely ensures patients have access to these medications.

### Appropriations

Increase funding in FY2021 for:

- The Kidney Public Awareness Initiative (\$10m)
- Kidney X, the Kidney Innovation Accelerator (\$25m)
- CDC's Chronic Kidney Disease Initiative (\$5m)
- National Living Donor Assistance Center (NLDAC) (\$10m)
- National Institutes of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Disease (NIDDK) (\$2.25b)

# HAWAII

18,700

Medicare patients with CKD diagnosed

2,240

Medicare patients on dialysis

1,283

Kidney transplants performed since 1988

270

Kidney patients on the transplant waitlist

41

Kidney transplants in 2019

2

Patients who died while on waitlist in 2019

## AVERAGE COST TO MEDICARE

Dialysis patient \_\_\_\_\_ \$90,232.00

Transplant after first year \_\_\_\_\_ \$25,942.00

Immunosuppressant medication \_\_\_\_\_ \$2,232.00