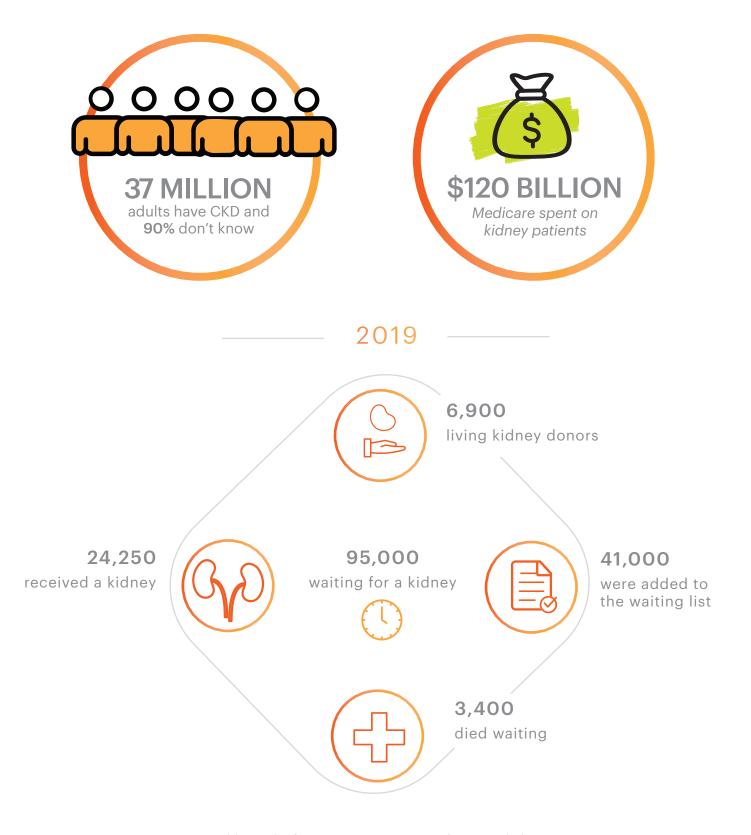
CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE (CKD)





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 immunosuppressants for only 36 months post-transplant, leaving many recipients struggling to find afordable 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)

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Medicare patients with CKD diagnosed



Medicare patients on dialysis



Kidney transplants performed since 1988



Kidney patients on the transplant waitlist



Kidney transplants in 2019



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