

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).

Improving Access to Home Dialysis Act (H.R. 5426)

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 \$15 million in funding for CDC's Chronic Kidney Disease Initiative and additional funding for the National Institutes of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Disease (NIDDK).

VERMONT

- 9,900 Medicare patients with CKD diagnosed
- 426 Medicare patients on dialysis
- 61 Kidney patients on the transplant waitlist
- 5 Kidney transplants in 2021
- 4 Patients who died while on waitlist in 2021

AVERAGE ANNUAL COST TO MEDICARE

Pre-kidney failure	\$26,508
Dialysis patient	\$87,850
First year after transplant	\$24,185

For additional information, contact NKFadvocacy@kidney.org

Sources of Facts and Statistics: Organ Procurement and Transplant Network (OPTN) (2022), 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