



**Removing Barriers to Donation
by Protecting, Supporting and
Assisting Donors**



NATIONAL KIDNEY REGISTRY®
FACILITATING LIVING DONOR TRANSPLANTS

Donor Assistance Offered Through the National Kidney Registry's Donor Shield



Donor Expense Reimbursement (DER)*

Donors are eligible for reimbursement up to a maximum of \$6,000 for donation-related expenses including:

- Travel, lodging, and meals for the donor and an accompanying caregiver
- Dependent care for children or adult dependents of the donor



Pet Care Reimbursement*

As part of DER, donors are eligible for reimbursement for donation-related pet care expenses, including:

- Pet-sitting services
- Kennel expenses



The current Kidney Donor Shield Reimbursement Policy is available by visiting:



donorshield.com/policy



Kidney Prioritization***

- Prioritization for a living donor kidney should be the donor's top priority if they ever need a transplant in the future



Voucher Donation

The **standard voucher** is utilized when a donor wants to donate a kidney to someone specific who needs a kidney transplant within a year. The donor can donate when it is convenient for them and the person in imminent need will receive a voucher for a living donor kidney transplant, which can be activated at any time. In addition to the voucher holder, the donor can also name up to five loved ones as backup voucher holders should the voucher holder not end up redeeming the voucher.

The **family voucher** is utilized when a donor wants to donate a kidney to an unspecified recipient, meaning their kidney will go to someone on the transplant list who is identified as the best match. The Family Voucher Program provides up to five vouchers for the donor's loved ones, which can be activated if any of them ever need a kidney transplant in the future. Once the first voucher is redeemed, all other vouchers related to that donor become void and cannot be redeemed.



Remote Donation

- Donors can complete their evaluation and surgery at a local NKR transplant center
- Avoid traveling to recipient's transplant center
- Donated kidney is transported safely to the recipient



Best Match

- The NKR system utilizes the most advanced technology and science to find patients the best possible match
- Better matches lead to better outcomes and longer-lasting kidney transplants, meaning the person who receives your kidney will benefit from your generous donation for years to come



Legal Support*

- Free legal support for issues directly related to kidney donation
- Help fighting unlawful employment termination or discrimination by health or life insurance companies



Complication Protection*

- Donors never pay for any type of donation-related complication at any time after kidney donation
- Donor expense reimbursement and lost wage reimbursement for treatment of any donation-related complications



Home Blood Draws*

- Phlebotomist comes directly to donor's home or place of employment
- Eliminate trips to the transplant center and time off work



Help Other Donors**

- Provide feedback on your donor experience to improve the experience for other donors
- Delivered automatically via email throughout the donation process
- Designed to take less than 5 minutes to complete

Register as a Donor Through an NKR Website for an Easier Process and Extra Support



Reduce Wasted Time

- Easy online screening to determine preliminary donor eligibility
- Easy online process from initial donor registration to post-transplant follow-up



Donor Mentors

- Speak with a living kidney donor who can answer questions based on their own experience
- Donor mentors are assigned as part of the donor registration process, though you may opt out if you wish





Lost Wage Reimbursement (LWR)*

Reimbursement up to \$2,000/week for up to 12 weeks (reimbursement beyond 3 weeks requires approval from a physician and the transplant center)

** Donors must participate in an NKR swap or donate at a Donor Shield Direct center to receive this donor assistance.*

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**** Kidney prioritization is available through NKR's Voucher Program, NKR swaps, NKR internal direct donations, remote direct donations and Kidney for Life direct donations. Donor Shield Direct donors do not receive living donor prioritization.*

To learn more about Donor Shield,
visit our website:



donorshield.com/kidney