



**NATIONAL KIDNEY REGISTRY**<sup>®</sup>  
FACILITATING LIVING DONOR TRANSPLANTS



# Kidney Donation **Voucher Program**

Convenience and Protection for Donors  
Better Matches for Patients



## **Disclosures & Requirements:**

- Only one voucher per donor may be redeemed. Once a voucher is redeemed, all other vouchers from that donor are voided.
- There is no guarantee that the donor can be matched or the recipient transplanted.
- The donor and recipient must complete the voucher consent forms.
- The voucher donor and intended recipient do not need to be at the same center, they just need to be at an NKR center that participates in the Voucher Program.
- All voucher holders are required to complete the standard testing after the voucher donor donates, as well as every five years afterward.



## The Voucher Program Lets Donors:

### Overcome Compatibility Issues

The better the match, the longer the kidney lasts.

### Protect the Whole Family

Donors can provide one or more vouchers to their loved ones so they can then be prioritized to receive a living donor kidney through the National Kidney Registry if they should ever need a transplant.

### Donate When it's Convenient

Donors can choose the most convenient time for their kidney donation.

### Care for the Transplant Recipient

If the donor is the patient's caretaker, the donor can heal before they need to attend to their voucher recipient post-transplant.

### Get Assistance

Voucher donors are automatically eligible to receive all Donor Shield protections and support, including the prioritization for a living donor kidney in the unlikely event they should need a kidney transplant in the future.

## Standard Voucher

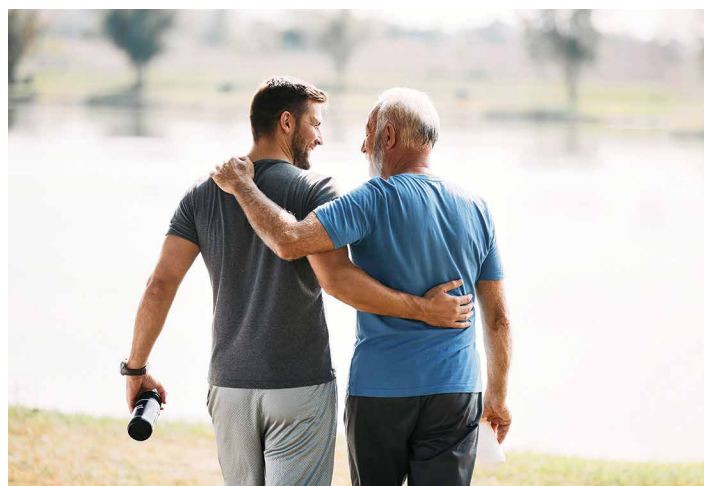
A donor wants to donate a kidney to a specific person who is in imminent need of a kidney transplant.

By entering the Standard Voucher Program, the donor can donate whenever it is convenient for them.

The National Kidney Registry will match the donated kidney with someone in need of a transplant and give the intended recipient a voucher for a future transplant.

When the voucher holder is ready for a transplant, they can activate their voucher to be prioritized for a living donor transplant through the NKR.

In addition to the patient who needs a transplant, the donor can also name five family members as backup voucher holders should the primary voucher holder not redeem their voucher for any reason.



## Family Voucher

The family voucher is used when a donor wants to donate their kidney to a stranger while still looking out for their family's potential future kidney transplant needs.

The Family Voucher Program allows the donor to designate up to five family members to receive vouchers.

If one of the family members needs a transplant in the future, they can activate their voucher to be prioritized for a living donor transplant through the NKR, which will find the best possible match from among its large pool of donors.

## Why Donate Through the Voucher Program?

- You want to ensure you are covered by the Donor Shield protections and support.
- As a voucher donor you will be prioritized to receive a living donor kidney through the National Kidney Registry in the unlikely event you ever need a transplant.
- You are compatible with your intended recipient but a better match is possible.
- You want to donate now but your intended recipient is not ready for a transplant.
- You can donate according to your schedule while providing up to five vouchers for your family members who are not in imminent need of a transplant.

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