



# Kidney Transplant

## PROGRAM

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## What is a kidney transplant?

A kidney transplant allows a person whose own kidneys have failed to receive a new kidney from another person. A successful kidney transplant can improve many of the complications of kidney failure. A kidney may come from a living donor or from an individual who has died (deceased donor). A living donor may be someone in your immediate or extended family, or it may be your spouse or a close friend. In some cases, a living donor may even be a stranger who wishes to donate a kidney to someone in need of a transplant. A deceased donor is someone who has consented to donating his or her organs upon death. In situations where the wishes of the deceased donor are not known, family members may consent to organ donation.

*Resource:* [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org)

## Advantages of kidney transplant?

### Living donor vs. Deceased donor

One advantage of receiving a kidney from a living donor is that this type of kidney has been shown to last longer than a kidney from a deceased donor. Another advantage is that the operation can be planned to suit your schedule, since it is not necessary to wait for a kidney to become available from a deceased donor. Some research shows that an early kidney transplant, with little or no time spent on dialysis, can lead to better long-term health.

Technical advances and more choices for antirejection medicines have resulted in very good success rates for kidney transplants from deceased donors. However, there are more people who need kidneys than there are donor kidneys. Therefore, you remain on a waiting list (sometimes for several years) until a suitably matched kidney becomes available. Only a transplant center can place you on the national waiting list. It is important to follow your prescribed treatment carefully while waiting for a new kidney.



## Our Purpose

“Our team believes in a patient centered approach, with close attention to all details of patient care. We welcome our patients as part of our transplant family and striving to offer them the most advanced care and innovative surgical techniques.”

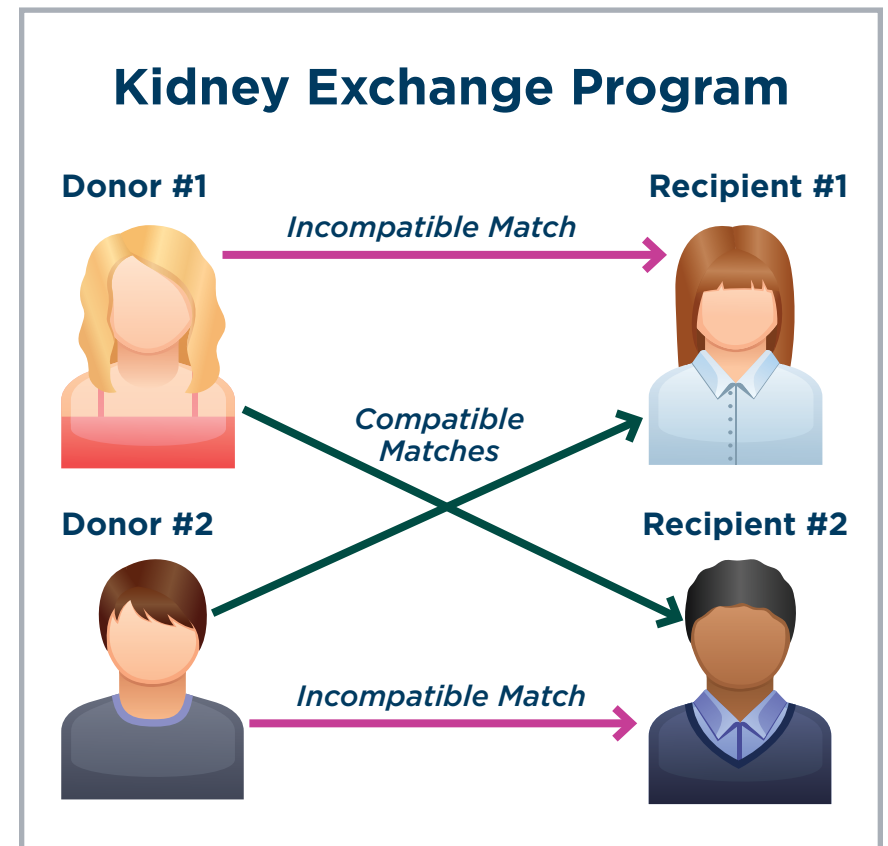


Dr. Fadi Hussein, Transplant Nephrology



## Becoming a Living Kidney Donor

- We offer our living kidney donors state of the art robotic nephrectomy surgical procedure and excellent outcomes.
- Living kidney donors undergo a detailed evaluation to determine their candidacy and assess their ... throughout the process.
- Living kidney donors will not incur any medical expense... to the donor process.
- We offer paired exchange for recipients that have an incompatible donor.

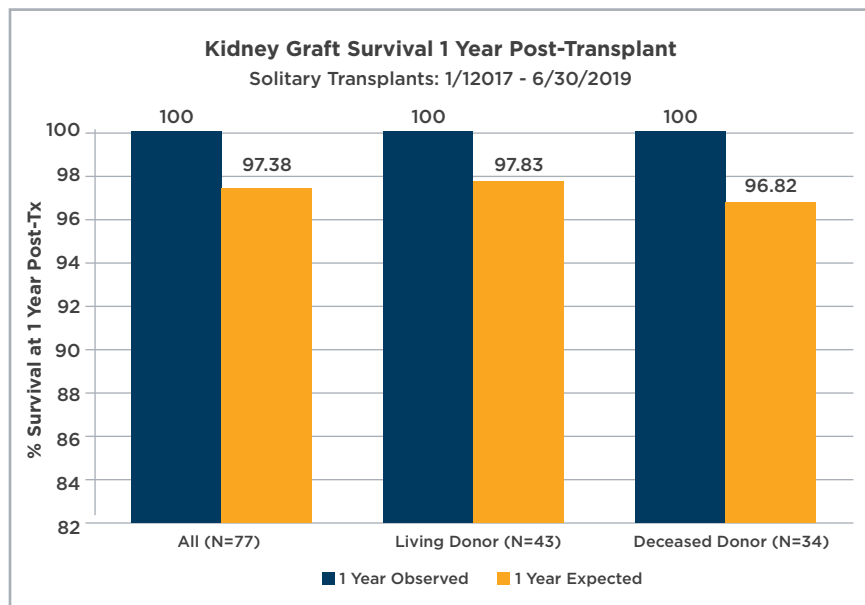


“With us you can expect compassionate, exceptional care every step of the way.”

## Our Transplant Outcomes

Our team offers our transplant recipients and living donors' superior outcomes both short and long-term.

- 100% success rate and patient survival
- Based on recent data we are #1 in the state
- Our program has performed N=128 consecutive kidney transplants with no graft losses or deaths within 1 year of transplant.



## Kidney Pancreas Transplant

- We offer kidney/pancreas transplant for Type 1 Diabetics and select Type 2 Diabetics.
- Kidney/pancreas transplant decrease transplant waiting list time.
- Improves long-term survival.

“The institution as a whole believes in our philosophy, which is that both transplantation and complex cancer surgeries should be offered to all patients regardless of how sick they are. They deserve a chance.



The experts within these programs along with their multidisciplinary teams will determine the best course of action for each individual patient.”

Dr. Ajay K. Sahajpal, Director,  
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