



NORTHWEST
Kidney Centers

2022
Corporate
Investment
Proposal



We're Celebrating 60 Years of Care

Mission: To promote the optimal health, quality of life and independence of people with kidney disease through patient care, education and research.

Northwest Kidney Centers was the world's first outpatient dialysis provider. On Jan. 9, 1962, we opened our doors as the Seattle Artificial Kidney Center in Eklind Hall on the campus of Swedish Hospital with the capacity to treat 3 patients. Fast forward to today and we serve nearly 2,000 patients annually at 20 clinics in the Puget Sound region.



Northwest Kidney Centers is a regional, not-for-profit provider of kidney dialysis, public health education, and research into the causes and treatments of chronic kidney disease. Founded in Seattle in 1962, it was the world's first dialysis organization. It is known for high-quality services and deep community connections.

Last year donor support made this possible



LIVE

1,940

Number of Patients

280,181

Number of Treatments

16.3%

Home Dialysis Treatments



LEARN

1,488

CKD Education Participants

498

Volunteers

3,800

Volunteer Hours



HOPE

56

Transplants

17.3%

Transplant Waitlist

747

Research Participants

Our Work: Working Together to Provide Better Outcomes for Patients



We couldn't do what we do without the generosity of Northwest Kidney Centers. Your investment in our work will impact thousands of people every single day and allow us to continue to serve those in need and lead the world in fighting kidney disease.

PATIENT CARE	YOUR IMPACT
<p>Palliative Care The world's first kidney palliative care program embedded for dialysis patients</p>	<p>Palliative care helps patients find a balance among independence, comfort and longevity. A team made up of a physician board-certified in palliative care and nephrology, a nurse and a social worker, partner with the dialysis care team. The team also support families through difficult health care decision-making, conversations about goals of care, and advance care planning for the end of life.</p> <p>450 Patients Enrolled</p>
<p>Patient Emergency Grants Stepping into gaps in support</p>	<p>Your support provides patients emergency transportation services to and from dialysis, nutritional supplements for patients experience anemia, grocery cards for patients with short-term food insecurity, and emergency pharmacy assistance to ensure patients have needed medication.</p>
<p>Dialysis for People Without Coverage No one is turned away from dialysis for inability to pay</p>	<p>Donor support provides life-saving dialysis to people who do not have medical coverage, experience gaps in coverage or are waiting for Medicare/Medicaid coverage. With our region's homelessness crisis and the limitations around undocumented patients, support is critically needed.</p>
<p>Training and Support for Home Dialysis Our HOME initiative to double the number of home patients in the next five years</p>	<p>About 16% percent of our patients currently choose home dialysis —the second highest percentage among the top 10 U.S. dialysis providers. Typically, people on home dialysis feel better and live longer than people treated in dialysis centers. Initial training is time-consuming and intensive, but overall cost to the health care system is less once patients are trained.</p> <p>325 Patients on Home Dialysis</p>
<p>Special Care Specialized care for our most medically fragile patients</p>	<p>Dialysis is provided in a bed for greater comfort and extra nursing staff is assigned to care for the patient during treatment. This program ensures that these patients don't need to go to the hospital to receive treatment.</p>
<p>Support for Transplantation</p>	<p>We work with LifeCenter Northwest and Seattle's three adult transplant centers to help dialysis patients navigate the process to find a living kidney donor or get on the waitlist for a deceased donor kidney. Our patients are 60% more likely than others across the country to get a kidney transplant.</p> <p>56 Transplants in 2021</p>

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EDUCATION	YOUR IMPACT
<p>Chronic Kidney Disease Education Our early education efforts can help slow the disease and may help avoid kidney failure</p>	<p>We work at the grass-roots level to increase education about kidney disease and during the pandemic have replaced our series of free classes with individual support. Kidney disease impacts people of color at a disproportionate rate (Black people for example, account for 35% of patients with kidney failure nationally). More than half of our patients identify as people of color.</p> <p>1,488 Chronic Kidney Disease education participants in 2021</p>
<p>Employee Scholarship Program</p>	<p>Northwest Kidney Centers invests in our employees' careers with annual scholarship opportunities. This 100% donor-funded program helps about 15 people each year receive training and grow in the medical field.</p> <p>15 Employees received scholarships in 2021</p>
RESEARCH	YOUR IMPACT
<p>Kidney Research Advances in dialysis technology</p>	<p>In 2008, Northwest Kidney Centers and UW Medicine collaborated to establish the Kidney Research Institute in Seattle; we later created the Center for Dialysis Innovation. Donor funds have led to some remarkable breakthroughs, including a lightweight, wearable dialysis device (AKTIV-Artificial Kidney to Increase Vitality) – a life-changing solution for people otherwise tethered to conventional hemodialysis machines, which was recently awarded a KidneyX prize. We also work to involve patients at every stage of research.</p> <p>35 studies underway at the Kidney Research Institute 900+ patients registered to participate</p>

You're in Good Company

As a community-based, nonprofit organization, Northwest Kidney Centers fulfills its mission through shared core values—teamwork, integrity, excellence, stewardship and respect. These are likely the same words your employees and customers use when describing your company.

At Northwest Kidney Centers, our highest calling is to save lives. Building and deepening your relationship with Northwest Kidney Centers helps you achieve your company's philanthropic goals and also helps save lives across the Puget Sound region.

Join with us and other leading companies to support people with kidney disease.

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