

May 24, 2023

The Honorable Senator Ron Wyden  
221 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Senator Chuck Grassley  
135 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Senator Ben Cardin  
509 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Senator Todd Young  
185 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Senator Bill Cassidy, MD  
455 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Senator Elizabeth Warren  
309 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Senator Jerry Moran  
521 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Senator Cory Booker  
717 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Wyden, Senator Grassley, Senator Cardin, Senator Young, Senator Cassidy, Senator Warren, Senator Moran, and Senator Booker:

On behalf of the undersigned organizations representing kidney patients, caregivers, and health professionals, thank you for your leadership regarding the health of the 37 million Americans affected by kidney diseases, including the approximately 90,000 adults and 1,100 children on the kidney waitlist. As you know, transplantation is the optimal therapy for most people with kidney failure. Our nation's kidney health ecosystem has made important strides in access to kidney transplant in recent years, but additional opportunities for improvement remain.

Accordingly, our organizations commend you for introducing the *Securing the U.S. Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network Act* (S. 1668). Your timely, bipartisan legislation will help ensure the U.S. organ transplant network is as effective and efficient as it can possibly be in meeting the transplant care needs of Americans affected by kidney failure. The *Securing the U.S. Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network Act* aims to allow the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to make changes that ensure that patients are optimally served, strengthening accountability, equity, and performance in the organ donation and transplantation system—goals our organizations support.

Our organizations stand ready to collaborate with you, other members of the U.S. Congress, HRSA, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and other stakeholders to inform and support the forthcoming implementation process of this vital modernization effort.

Again, thank you for your leadership. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss our organizations' interest in collaborating to ensure optimal care for kidney transplant patients and candidates, please contact Zach Kribs at [zkribs@asn-online.org](mailto:zkribs@asn-online.org) or Rachel Meyer at [rmeyer@asn-online.org](mailto:rmeyer@asn-online.org).

Sincerely,

**The aHUS Foundation  
American Kidney Fund  
American Society of Diagnostic and Interventional Nephrology**

**American Society of Pediatric Nephrology**  
**American Society of Nephrology**  
**Atlantic Dialysis Management Services**  
**DaVita**  
**Dialysis Patient Citizens**  
**Evergreen Nephrology**  
**Federation of American Scientists**  
**Fresenius Medical Care**  
**Home Dialyzors United**  
**IgA Nephropathy Foundation**  
**Kidney Care Partners**  
**Kidney Transplant Collaborative**  
**NephCure**  
**Organize**  
**Oxalosis and Hyperoxaluria Foundation**  
**National Kidney Foundation**  
**Nonprofit Kidney Care Alliance**  
**Northwest Kidney Centers**  
**PKD Foundation**  
**Renal Healthcare Association**  
**Renal Pathology Society**  
**Renal Physicians Association**  
**Renal Support Network**  
**The Rogosin Institute**  
**Somatus**  
**Transplant Recipients International Organization**  
**Waitlist Zero**

CC: The Honorable Chuck Schumer  
The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
The Honorable Bernie Sanders  
The Honorable Mike Crapo  
The Honorable Xavier Becerra  
The Honorable Carole Johnson