Overview of kidney failure in New Mexico

- 5,397 New Mexicans are living with kidney failure
- 3,902 New Mexicans are on dialysis
- 1,495 New Mexicans are living with a kidney transplant

LEADING CAUSES OF KIDNEY FAILURE

- Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by diabetes: 44%
- Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by high blood pressure: 29%

**New cases of kidney failure diagnosed in New Mexico in 2021** (most recent data available)

- 919 New cases of kidney failure diagnosed in New Mexico in 2021
- Received a kidney transplant: 16
- Began dialysis: 903

The total number of New Mexicans living with kidney failure has increased by 30% since 2011.

Kidney transplants in New Mexico

- 423 New Mexicans are on the kidney transplant waiting list*
- 109 transplants performed in New Mexico in 2023, a 68% increase from 2013

ONLY ABOUT 1 IN 4 NEW MEXICANS ON THE KIDNEY TRANSPLANT WAITING LIST RECEIVED A TRANSPLANT IN 2023.

- 14 living donor transplants performed in New Mexico
- 95 deceased donor transplants performed in New Mexico

Compared to 2013, there was a 36% decrease in living donor kidney transplants

*As of April 21, 2024

Sources: U.S. Renal Data System 2023 Annual Data Report, Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
Health disparities in kidney failure

Kidney failure has a disproportionate impact on people of color. Compared to White Americans, the likelihood of developing kidney failure is:

- 4.3x greater for Black Americans
- 2.3x greater for American Indians
- 1.6x greater for Asian Americans
- 2.2x greater for people of Hispanic/Latino ethnicity than people of non-Hispanic/Latino ethnicity.

The American Kidney Fund (AKF) provides financial assistance to:

- 1 out of 21 White Americans with kidney failure
- 1 out of 12 Black Americans with kidney failure
- 1 out of 10 Hispanic/Latino Americans with kidney failure

Why people with kidney failure need financial assistance from AKF:

Kidney failure is a disability. Dialysis is life support. Treating kidney failure and its comorbidities is more consuming than a full-time job: more than 80% of people on dialysis cannot work.

- 554 New Mexicans on dialysis and living with transplants received grants from AKF in 2023 to pay for their insurance premiums and other health care-related costs not covered by insurance.

- $2,870,692 in charitable assistance from AKF ensured that low-income New Mexico dialysis and transplant patients could afford their lifesaving health care in 2023.

Insurance Breakdown of Americans Who Received Charitable Premium Assistance from AKF in 2023:

- Medicare Part B: 44.6%
- Medigap: 23.4%
- Employer group health plans (including COBRA): 17.2%
- Medicare Advantage: 1.4%