
If you are living with kidney disease, these resources will help you learn more about your condition as well as the care and assistance programs available to you. Some resources are only available through the Internet.

**American
Association of
Kidney Patients**

AAKP is a kidney organization run by kidney patients. It has many brochures, newsletters, and resources to help people with chronic kidney disease (CKD) manage their lives. Patients can learn about educational programs, events, and policy briefs.
(800) 749-2257
www.aakp.org

**American
Kidney Fund**

AKF is the #1 source for financial assistance to kidney patients. AKF provides free pharmacy products as well as grants to help patients with costs not covered by other sources. AKF also provides education and outreach to people who are at risk for kidney disease.
(866) 300-2900
www.kidneyfund.org

**AV Fistula
First**

Sponsored by CMS, this website is devoted to everything about AV fistulas. It has information for both patients and professionals.
www.fistulafirst.org

**Dialysis Facility
Compare**

Sponsored by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), this website allows patients to find and compare information about dialysis facilities in every state. Patients can search for facilities by name, city or state. Medicare's coverage for dialysis is also discussed.
www.medicare.gov/Dialysis/Home.asp

**Dialysis Patient
Citizens**

DPC is an independent dialysis patient organization. It is dedicated to improving dialysis patients' quality of life. DPC advocates for dialysis and pre-dialysis patients and promotes favorable public policy. It works to improve the partnership between patients and caregivers.
(866) 877-4242
www.dialysispatients.org

**Home Dialysis
Central**

This website helps you to find home dialysis centers near you. The site provides education about the types of home dialysis, updates on technology and equipment, and discussion boards to help you connect with other dialysis patients.
(608) 833-8033
www.homedialysis.org

Kidney Patient News	<p>The site offers information and resources for kidney patients and their families, including treatment options and vascular access types, diet and nutrition, and emergency and disaster preparation.</p> <p>(317) 257-8265 www.kidneypatientnews.org</p>
Kidney School	<p>Kidney School is an interactive, web-based learning program. It was designed to help people understand kidney disease and its treatment, adjust to kidney disease, make good medical choices and live as fully as possible. Click on the table of contents to pick the topics that most interest you.</p> <p>www.kidneyschool.org</p>
Life Options Rehabilitation Program	<p>Life Options provides free fact sheets, videos and booklets to help people live long and well with kidney disease. The site includes many resources about vocational rehabilitation.</p> <p>(800) 468-7777 www.lifeoptions.org</p>
National Kidney Disease Education Program	<p>This site includes many resources about kidney disease and testing. Educational materials can be downloaded or ordered directly.</p> <p>(866) 454-3639 www.nkdep.nih.gov</p>
National Kidney and Urologic Diseases Information Clearinghouse	<p>This organization provides detailed information about CKD and treatment options, including home dialysis and kidney transplantation. The site also includes the NIDDK reference collection, a database of health education materials for patients and providers.</p> <p>(800) 891-5390 www.kidney.niddk.nih.gov</p>
The National Kidney Foundation, Inc.	<p>NKF has many educational resources about CKD and urinary tract diseases. The foundation's website provides kidney patients with access to the latest news, events and advocacy efforts.</p> <p>(800) 622-9010 www.kidney.org</p>
Renal Support Network	<p>RSN is a nonprofit, patient-focused, patient-run organization that provides non-medical services to those affected by CKD and strives to motivate and assist patients in developing their personal coping skills, special talents, and employability by educating and empowering them (and family members) to take control of the course and management of their disease. RSN helps people with kidney disease become self-sufficient thru education, advocacy, and hope for a better tomorrow.</p> <p>(800) 579-1970 – HOPEline, for peer support and info. (866) 903-1728 www.rsnhope.org</p>