

# Why Choose a Donor Care Network **Center of Excellence?**



**DONOR CARE NETWORK**®  
TRANSPLANT CENTERS FOR THE BEST DONOR EXPERIENCE



The mission of the Donor Care Network is to ensure all living kidney donors are treated with courtesy and respect, and to provide them with the best possible care and consideration during the entire kidney donation process.

Donor Care Network Centers of Excellence share this goal by implementing and sharing the industry's best practices and agreeing to a stringent set of commitments.



## HIGHEST STANDARDS IN DONATION SURGERY

DCN centers use the latest technology, the most experienced medical personnel, and the highest levels of care to ensure that your donation surgery is as safe as possible.

All DCN kidney transplant programs are required to have:

- No donor deaths for the past 10 years.
- Normal complication rates for the past five years.
- Used laparoscopic surgery for at least 95% of donor surgeries in the last two years.



## IMPROVED LIVING DONOR EXPERIENCE

DCN centers are committed to making the donation experience as easy and convenient as possible, from the initial contact to the final follow-up.

All DCN Centers of Excellence offer:

- Efficient online donor screening and medical history data collection.
- Local testing and workup, home blood draws, and standard workup completed in one day.
- A dedicated living donor transplant team to support donors throughout the process.
- Remote donation to allow donor to have donation surgery close to home.





## DONOR SHIELD PROTECTIONS

All donors who donate through a DCN Center of Excellence are automatically covered by Donor Shield, a comprehensive set of protections designed to make the donation process easier and more convenient.

- Reimbursement for up to \$18,000 in lost wages, travel expenses, meals and dependent care costs.
- Kidney prioritization in the unlikely event you ever need a kidney transplant in the future.\*
- Voucher donation to improve convenience for donors and obtain the best match for recipients.
- Option to speak to a living kidney donor, who can answer questions and give advice.
- Legal support to fight donation-related termination and discrimination.
- Complication coverage so you won't have to pay any medical bills for donation-related complications.

\* Kidney prioritization is available through NKR's Voucher Program, NKR swaps, NKR internal direct donations, remote direct donations and Kidney for Life direct donations.

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