Patient support organisations

**Australian Kidney Foundation**

The Australian Kidney Foundation is a non-profit organisation that relies on community funding and support, with minimal government funding. Through its branches the Foundation aims to increase public awareness and understanding of kidney-related diseases, and to fund research to understand better the causes and treatment of kidney and urinary tract diseases.

The Foundation conducts broad-based education programs for patients, potential organ donors, medical practitioners, the general community and school students. It aims to improve patient services and preventative medicine, by informing government of patients’ needs and commenting on relevant public issues, as well as raising funds. The Foundation encourages and promotes organ donation, and makes available information on kidney-related conditions.

‘Kidney Care’, a recent initiative, is a support network and monthly education session for people living with kidney disease. Volunteers support people living with kidney disease through:

- public speaking about kidney disease, organ donation and transplantation
- a telephone support register
- practical support to people on dialysis, their families and friends.

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