



SOCIAL WORK NEWSLETTER

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RMS Survey Starting Again

RMS is an outside contracted agency that we hire to gather information for quality assurance and improvement. They never report your name or personal information to us the dialysis center. They complete this survey every 6 months. We use this information to improve our service to you. Please look for a telephone call from RMS surveys.

Limits of Confidentiality

While most of your personal information and information you share is held in confidence, there are exceptions that you should be aware of. 1. Your medical insurance has a right to know your attendance, your medications, your treatment information, your diagnosis and other related information regarding billing and case management for your care. 2. If you report any kind of abuse of a child, a senior, or a disabled adult (Including Yourself) ALL staff at the dialysis center are mandated reporters and must report the abuse. 3. If you report you intend to hurt yourself or another person, we are obligated by law to report the risk and take action to prevent it from happening.

Update Your Information

In case of emergency, changes in schedule, transplant center calls, etc. We need your most recent telephone number and address.

Renal Support Network

HOPEline Peer Support Phone Line (800) 579-1970 or log onto [:www.rsnhope.org](http://www.rsnhope.org) for events, online support and coffee chats.

DMV Placards or Plates

If you are having difficulty walking from the parking lot to the store, talk to your doctor or social worker at the dialysis unit about completing the REG 195 form which is an application signed by your doctor verifying a medical condition that limits your mobility. We have the forms on hand, or you can find them at dmv.ca.gov

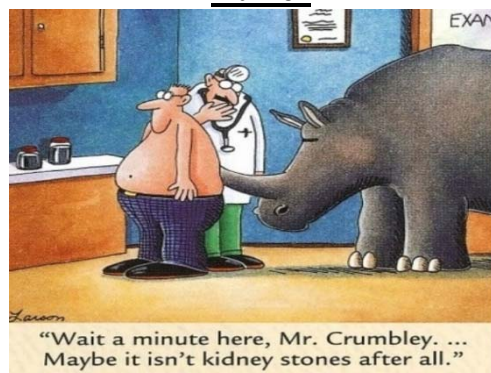
Dialysis Patient and Also a Caregiver Support Group Monthly

Every 2nd Monday at 6pm each month there are 2 groups held. One is for people on dialysis and the second is for caregivers of people on dialysis. It is held at 11883 Amethyst Rd. in Victorville on the 2nd Floor. Elevators are handicap accessible. For questions call Susan at (760) 998-2060.

AKF Safety Net Grant Open, AKF HIPP Program Closed

The AKF's Safety Net Grant is open. They are accepting applications. This is \$100 per year per patient who is income qualified for reimbursements on medications, DME or travel expenses. The AKF grant for Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) is no longer available to California Residents.

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ANNOUNCEMENT LOMA LINDA TRANSPLANT INSTITUTE HAS MOVED!

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United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) is the private, non-profit organization that manages the U.S. organ transplant system under contract with the federal government.

UNOS reports and collects data on every organ donor, and transplant candidate, recipient and their post-transplant outcomes. The data is used to study and advance transplantation, inform the transplant policy development process and help transplant professionals make informed decisions.

UNOS Transplant Statistics

- As of June 30, Loma Linda Transplant has completed 161 kidney transplant surgeries in 2019.
- There are 94,792 people listed for a kidney transplant in the U.S.
- 1707 people are on the kidney/pancreas waitlist in the U.S.
- As of June 30, there were 3,626 living donors who donated kidneys in 2019.
- There is a 98.8% patient survival rate 1 year post-transplant via living donor in the U.S.
- There is a 96.3% patient survival rate 1 year post-transplant via deceased donor in the U.S.

