

# Kidney transplant

**New** Age-targeted program for Manitobans 65 and up

## Waiting for a donor

Patients who develop kidney failure face a long wait for a kidney transplant if they do not have a living donor.

Waiting on dialysis can be very hard, especially for older patients with underlying health conditions.

Many older patients will not survive waiting to the top of the standard kidney transplant list, or they may become too sick to undergo the transplant surgery.

## The age-targeted solution

- ✓ Shorter wait
- ✓ Off dialysis sooner
- ✓ More likely to get a transplant at all
- ✓ Better quality of life and may improve overall survival

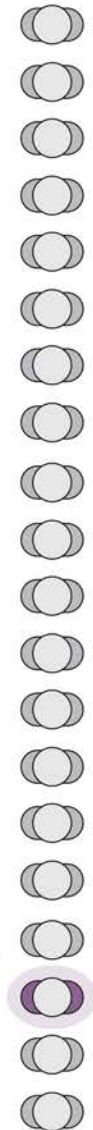


Age-targeted program (65+)

Standard wait list



1 - 4 years



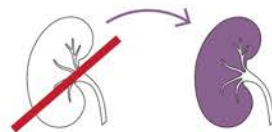
Typical wait for transplant for patients aged 65+

4 - 8 years



## Doctor & patient-approved

Subject matter experts and people with lived experience designed this program to help older patients live longer and improve their quality of life by minimizing their amount of time waiting on dialysis.



## Alternative donor pool

Inspired by success stories around the world, the program draws from otherwise ineligible deceased donors who are older and may have had health conditions.



## Some increased risk

These transplants may take longer to start working, require patients to spend more days in the hospital immediately after surgery, and may not last as long as standard transplants.

