



# ARE YOU 'KIDNEY' ME?

No kidding, women receive fewer transplant referrals

## THE FACTS

National research indicates that women have a lower chance of receiving hemodialysis and kidney transplant than men, but they constitute the majority of living kidney donors.\*

Within the Quality Insights Renal Network 4 (QIRN4) community, the female transplant referral rate is 37.2% compared to the male referral rate of 51.7%.\*\*



## LEVELING THE FIELD

Together, we can change statistics like these and increase transplant referrals for female patients and decrease transplant disparities for women.

**Patients:** Do you know that kidney transplant is an option for kidney disease treatment? Ask someone in your dialysis center for a transplant referral to learn more.

**Health Care Providers:** Encourage your female patients to get a transplant referral.

To learn more, contact Quality Insights at [www.qirn4.org](http://www.qirn4.org) or (610) 265-2418

\* American Journal of Nephrology. 2005 Sep-Oct;25(5):474-83. Epub 2005 Aug 26.  
\*\*Data calculated from ESRD Network 4 facility sample size. (2015 data)

To file a grievance, please contact Quality Insights Renal Network 4 at:  
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