



National Living Donor Assistance Center

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Family and friends may want to donate a kidney but cannot afford the travel costs to the transplant hospital. There is a new program to help eligible living kidney donors with hotel, travel and meal costs. The National Living Donor Assistance Center (NLDAC) was created to help donors who want to donate a kidney, but could not because of travel expenses.

How can the NLDAC help?

NLDAC provides up to \$6,000 for hotel, travel, meal and other non-medical expenses related to the donor evaluation, donor surgery and donor medical follow-up. Approved living kidney donors will receive a card (similar to a credit card) to pay for covered expenses.

Who can qualify?

People who will have hotel, travel and meal expenses when donating a kidney. They must be U.S. citizens or lawfully admitted residents. Donor income, recipient income and ability to pay are considered. If the recipient, a state program, an insurance policy, or federal benefit program can pay travel and lodging costs, NLDAC funds cannot be used.

How do I apply?

Your transplant center will work with you to submit an application. Talk to your social worker or local transplant center (hospital). All applications must be submitted by your transplant center. Plan to apply 6-8 weeks before you are planning a kidney transplant or kidney transplant evaluation.

When can I apply?

NLDAC is accepting applications now. For more information, visit the NLDAC website, www.livingdonorassistance.org. NLDAC staff can be reached by email; NLDAC@livingdonorassistance.org or by phone Monday-Friday 8am-5pm ET 703-414-1600.

