

# Ontario's Waiting List for a Deceased Donor Kidney Transplant

Despite increases in the number of organ donors over the last few years, there are not enough kidneys for all of the patients who need a transplant. Patients must be placed on a provincial waiting list to receive a kidney from a deceased donor.

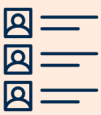
## What is the deceased donor waiting list?



The deceased donor waiting list is a computerized system that manages all Ontario patients who are waiting for a deceased donor kidney transplant.



The waiting list is managed by Trillium Gift of Life Network (TGLN), the government agency that connects deceased donor organs to patients on the waiting list.



When a kidney becomes available for transplant, patients are listed in order of priority based on standard criteria. The criteria is the same for all patients on the waiting list. Some of these criteria are the amount of time a patient has been on dialysis, blood type, and immune system sensitivity.

## Transplant in Ontario by the Numbers



**1,000**

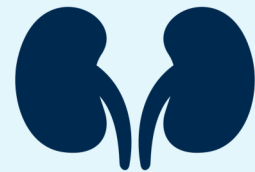
The average number of patients on the deceased donor waiting list.

**500 per year**

The average number of patients who receive a kidney transplant,

**&**

The average number of new patients added to the deceased donor waiting list.



**7 out of 10**

The number of transplant recipients who get a kidney from a deceased donor.

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