

PRESS RELEASE

National Kidney Registry Facilitates World Record 50 KPD Transplants in a Single Month

(Babylon, NY – August 12, 2016) - The National Kidney Registry announced a record breaking month in which they facilitated 50 paired exchange transplants. The record breaks the former record of 46, also set by the National Kidney Registry in December 2015.

Garet Hil, President and CEO of the National Kidney Registry, contributes the higher volume to centers contributing more pairs to the national pool rather than withholding them for internal exchanges. “Seven of the fifty transplants in July were compatible pairs; five were blood type favorable, generating a multiplier effect of transplants. Our research has shown each compatible pair transplanted facilitates an additional 2 transplants in the national pool. Encouraging centers to continue to put all pairs in the national pool will continue to drive volume and reduce the transplant list.”

In its ongoing commitment to help those in need of a kidney transplant, the NKR has facilitated **1,838** transplants from February 2008 to date. As transplant volume continues to grow, we anticipate crossing the 2,000 transplant milestone by the end of the year.

About the National Kidney Registry

The National Kidney Registry (www.kidneyregistry.org) is a nonprofit organization with the mission to save and improve the lives of people facing kidney failure by increasing the quality, speed and number of living donor transplants.