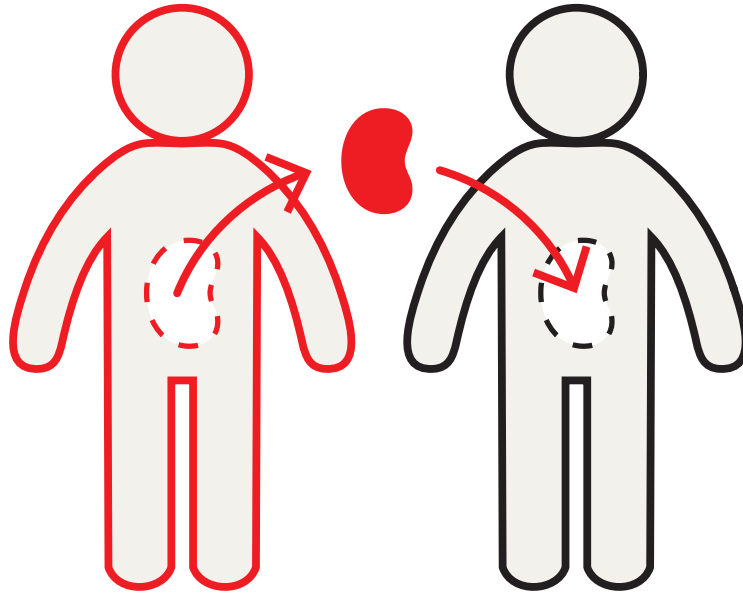


Kidney Transplant

Many people receive a kidney from a living family member or loved one. Sometimes it could also be from someone you don't know through a system called the Australia Paired Kidney Exchange Programme. For most people, transplant will improve their quality of life.

Deceased Donor

Many kidneys are received from a donor who has passed away. DonateLife coordinates these donations.

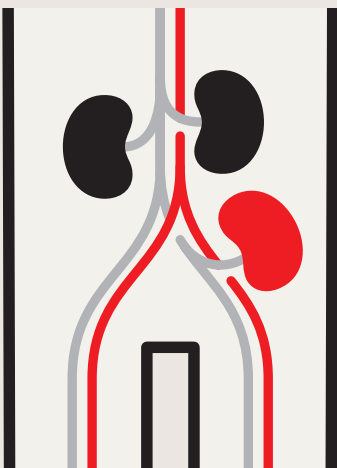


Medications

You will need to take medications for the life of the kidney. This will stop your body from rejecting the kidney.

Medical Tests

Before the transplant you (and your living donor) will need many tests, known as 'the work-up'.



Surgery

After the transplant surgery you will be in hospital for about a week. The transplant kidney may start working immediately but some are delayed.

**On average 89%
of transplanted
kidneys are
still working
after 5 years**

Doctors Visits

You will need very regular check-ups with your doctor. These will start daily and then slowly reduce.

