New Law Expands Your Options for a Lifesaving Transplant

A new state law known as the **HEART Act** (Helping Equal Access to Registrations for Transplant), now lets patients join the waitlist at more than one transplant center in New York state.

Before this law, you could only be listed at one center. This change gives patients more choice, more control, and a better chance of receiving a transplant.

Why This Matters

Being listed at more than one transplant center can:



Raise your chances of getting a transplant



Shorten your wait time – sometimes by half!



Lower health risks while waiting

What You Can Do

- **1.** Talk with your doctor or social worker to see if joining more than one waitlist is right for you.
- **2.** Use **Kidney Transplant Compare** to compare transplant requirements, wait times, and more.
- **3.** Discuss your choices with your loved ones and support network.

You do not have to decide alone.

Who Helped Make This Happen?

This law became reality thanks to Donate Life New York State, working with partners like the IPRO ESRD Network, transplant patients, donor families, and advocates who spoke up for fairness and access

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