Program Guidelines

- Due to limited funding, all applications are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. False or inaccurate information can lead to program disqualification.
- Patient must be a kidney transplant recipient only.
- Applications must be submitted by a social worker affiliated with a Florida transplant center or designated NKFF personnel in the event that no social worker transplant center relationship exists.
- Social workers must conduct a needs assessment, complete an NKFF Hawthorne Fund *Application for Financial Assistance* and provide written endorsement/ justification for all requests. **A detailed description of patient's need must be included.**
- A new application must be completed for each submission. The application will expire 1 year after submission at which time a new application must be submitted.
- Please include in your application information about the long-term plan for access to medication.
- All other funding sources should be exhausted —the NKFF should be considered "last resort" funding. Applications should list other attempts and denials for other types of assistance.
- Patient must consent to providing additional information including but not limited to bank statements, credit reports ,and tax returns.
- No checks will be made payable to the patient. The pharmacy will manage all transactions

Program Overview

The National Kidney Foundation of Florida's Hawthorne Fund is designed to assist kidney transplant recipients, who meet stated criteria, with the cost of their post-transplant medications, including immunosuppressant and prophylaxis drugs.

Patient must be post kidney transplant, uninsured or underinsured, a Florida resident, and complete a Patient Assistance Fund application.

This is a short-term, temporary help for the patient to access immunosuppressant and prophylaxis medication while they are seeking a longer-term solution.

The assistance provided will not exceed a lifetime benefit of $2,000.00.

The Hawthorne Fund does not provide assistance for doctor/hospital fees, dialysis treatment costs, transplantation surgery, living expenses, or insurance premiums.

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Financial assistance for eligible kidney transplant patients

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Hawthorne Fund

The National Kidney Foundation of Florida's Hawthorne Fund is designed to assist kidney transplant patients in need. It is made possible by a generous bequest from Herb and Louise Hawthorne. The purpose of this fund is to assist those post-transplant patients who are uninsured or underinsured for transplant immunosuppressant and prophylaxis medications.

NKFF Mission

The mission of the NKF of Florida is to prevent kidney and urinary tract diseases, improve the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by these diseases, and increase the availability of all organs for transplantation.

Herb and Louise Hawthorne

Herb and Louise were both born in 1927 – Herb in Pennsylvania and Louise in Arkansas. Herb served in WWII and attended college following his discharge. After graduation he began work at the CIA in Washington D.C. It is there he met the love of his life Louise Linzy. She worked for Convair at the time which later became General Dynamics. They were married in the early 1950's and the love affair continued for the rest of their lives. After leaving the CIA Herb founded his own company handling government contracts and Louise remained at General Dynamics rising through the ranks to become Executive Assistant to the CEO at the time of her retirement. They loved travel, wine, Washington Redskins and golf and not in any particular order. When they were nearing their retirement they looked for a place to spend their "golden years" and decided on the University Park Country Club in Sarasota, Florida, where they both lived until their deaths. Louise was on dialysis and then received a kidney transplant. She died May 27, 2008 and Herb passed away May 10, 2015. As in life, they have their ashes at the Sarasota National Veterans Cemetery where they will be together for all eternity. They left their entire estate to charities with the major one being the National Kidney Foundation of Florida to help those that are going through what Louise endured.