# ALLIANCE FOR PAIRED KIDNEY DONATION



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### APKD NEWS-AT-A-GLANCE

Dr. Rees recently traveled to Delhi, India to participate in the Congress of the Asian Society of Transplantation. On October 31 Dr. Michael Rees will speak about transplant immunology at the Americal Society for Histocompatibility and Immnunogenics [ASHI] conference in Orlando.

**LOOKING** • Mark your calendar for December 3: **Giving Tuesday**.

AHEAD ■ Be on the lookout for the upcoming Lancet Journal.

"To date, The Alliance for Paired Kidney Donation has utilized the process of Global Kidney Exchange to save the lives of eight patients outside of the United States, and as a result, 26 American patients were transplanted through the resulting chains." -Dr. Michael Rees



## Increased Matches through KPD

"For KPD programs of any size, the participation of compatible donor/recipient pairs nearly doubled the match rate for incompatible pairs. The inclusion of compatible pairs into small single-center pools could achieve match rates that would surpass that which could be realized by a national list made up of only incompatible pairs. The greatest gains will be achieved by incorporating compatible pairs into a national program."

SOURCE: AMERICAN JOURNAL OF TRANSPLANTATION







## let's get social

The APKD is dedicated to educating people about kidney health, and is actively involved in social media platforms such as **Instagram** and **Facebook**. Find us, friend us, and follow us; then share our posts to raise awareness of the benefits of living donors. As part of our network, your center is invited to share our Kidney Health Graphics. Simply repost and tag #APKD in the post. @kidneypaireddonation on Instagram, @paireddonation on Facebook.

# **50%**

Increase in matches by including compatible pairs in national paired donation registries.

## \$750M

The amount of money saved by a health care system participating in national paired donation programs.



#### DONOR PROFILE

#### THE FACE OF GENEROSITY:

Meet Sandra Lentz. She donated her kidney in August to a recipient across the country; they met for the very first time on FaceTime the day after surgery. Sandra and her husband were enrolled in the APKD network as an unmatched pair, and her husband received a new kidney earlier this year.



In need of coordinator help? The APKD now offers assistance with uploading your compatible and incompatible pairs into the APKD database.

Please contact Susan Rees at susan.rees@paireddonation.org for more information.

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