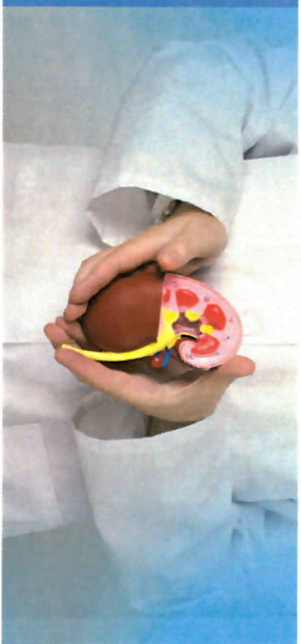


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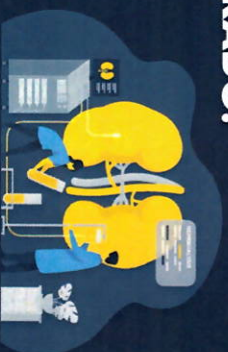
STRENGTHENING COLORADO'S RESPONSE TO KIDNEY DISEASE

Chronic kidney disease (CKD) is when kidneys become damaged over time and have a hard time doing their important jobs. CKD also increases the risk of other health problems like heart disease and stroke. Developing CKD is usually a slow process with very few symptoms at first.

When CKD reaches an advanced stage, kidneys fail and End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) occurs, where the only treatment options are dialysis or kidney transplant. Medications, diet and lifestyle changes can help slow progression, but CKD currently has no cure.

KIDNEY DISEASE IN COLORADO:

NEARLY 9,000 COLORADOANS ARE LIVING WITH KIDNEY FAILURE - 5,000 on dialysis and another 4,000 living with a transplant. The total number of Coloradans living with kidney failure has **increased by 37% since 2011.**



The Kidney Disease Prevention and Education Task Force works to evaluate and make recommendations to the General Assembly about the detection, treatment, education, and awareness of kidney disease in Colorado. For more information please visit: <https://cdphe.colorado.gov/diabetes/kidney-disease-task-force>

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Economic Impact Behind the Search for a Cure

Biopharmaceutical researchers and manufacturers are actively pursuing new treatments for patients with CKD. Their critical work also leaves a significant economic footprint.

The State of Colorado's biopharmaceutical industry has produced:



\$23.4B in
economic output



14,703 direct jobs and
79,217 total jobs supported by
the industry



\$438,374,803
total state
vendor spending



In southeast Jefferson County, there
are **11 vendor relationships**
and **\$403,672 total vendor spending**.

Investment in clinical research spurs innovation that improves health and quality of life, particularly for patients with CKD. Researchers and biopharmaceutical partners in Colorado are developing new therapies to slow down disease progression and advance patient care.



Colorado's
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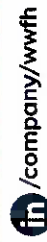
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clinical
trials



1,607,666
Total clinical trial
participants

We Work For Health (WWFH) is a coalition of partners that collaborates with biopharmaceutical research companies, vaccine manufacturers, their employees and local businesses to improve the health and well-being of patients.

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