

Kidney Paired Donation Program, a National Solution against Commercial Transplantation?

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End-stage renal disease is a growing health problem worldwide. Renal transplantation provides a better patient survival and quality of life compared with other means of renal replacement therapy. There is a serious shortage of transplantable kidneys, especially in countries where deceased donation is not allowed. Kidney paired donation (KPD) is a novel program applied to expand the donor pool, increase kidney transplantation rates, and allow a better donor recipient matching specially for sensitized patient. It permits living kidney transplantation in a short waiting time with better graft survival compared with those with deceased kidney transplantation. This re-

view article aims to highlight the importance of KPD program as a promising solution for organ shortage and commercial transplantation. It also discusses the idea of implementing such programs in Egypt and offers future suggestions that may help its establishment.

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