

Illinois Hospital Associations Partners with the National Kidney Foundation of Illinois

When seeking locations to provide important, free chronic kidney disease screenings with the KidneyMobile®, the National Kidney Foundation of Illinois reached out to the Illinois Hospital Association (IHA). The IHA responded without hesitation and with great enthusiasm. In less than one year, more than 1,000 individuals received the NKFI's free screenings and education, and many received much needed referrals for primary or specialist care. This partnership has been of particular value in the rural areas of the state, where there is little or limited access to nephrologists or endocrinologists.

The Illinois Hospital Association made an incredible commitment to facilitate this important relationship with their members to provide locations, volunteer staff and in many cases, the lab work for this screening program, and then for helping to transition the hospital to a place of wellness and education for Illinois communities.



Volunteers at a screening at Norwegian American Hospital

The National Kidney Foundation of Illinois was pleased to present the Illinois Hospital Association with the 22nd Annual Gift of Life Award for their outstanding commitment to individuals through our state at this year's Gift of Life Gala, held on Saturday, October 27 at the Westin River North. Here is Cathy Grossi of the IHA accepting the Gift of Life Award from NKFI board member Christopher Herden.

