Chronic kidney disease (CKD) affects 30 million adults, and 1 in 3 U.S. adults are at risk. Diabetes and hypertension are the two leading causes of CKD.

Total Medicare expenditures for all stages of CKD were nearly $100 billion in 2015, not including medications. Most of that cost, ~$64 billion, was spent caring for those with CKD stages 1-5, without kidney failure.

It is urgent that we ensure proper diagnosis and treatment of patients with CKD in the earlier stages.

**5th Annual Kidney Patient Summit**

Co-sponsor and help pass legislation to:

**Design a CKD Early Detection and Management Demonstration Program**

(H.R. 3867)

1. **Provide primary care practitioners and nephrologists** with the resources they need to better care for people with CKD, while also ensuring they are accountable for measurable improvements in outcomes.

2. **Reward practitioners** for identifying kidney disease early so that the progression of the disease can be slowed resulting in better, long-term patient outcomes and lower healthcare spending.

3. **Empower patients** through education to make informed decisions about all available treatment options, should they progress to kidney failure.

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**Problem/Barriers**

CKD often goes undetected. 90% of people with CKD don’t know they have it because it has no symptoms.

People with CKD are at a greater risk for heart attack and stroke in addition to other complications.

- **4x** African Americans
- **2x** Hispanics
- **1x** Caucasians

Minority groups are disproportionately affected by CKD.
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