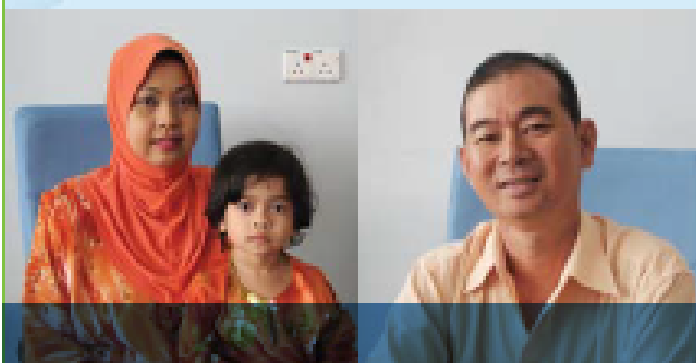


## 8 Is kidney transplant expensive?

It depends on the Medical Centers where you plan to have the transplant operation done. Kidney transplant is generally subsidized in government hospitals which includes **UMMC**. Kidney transplant has been proven to be more cost effective to dialysis from various aspects.

## 9 What should I do if I am interested in knowing more about kidney transplant?

You are welcomed to join the kidney transplant education program conducted by **UMMC**. Please get more information on the program from the Klinik Perubatan 1 reception counter.



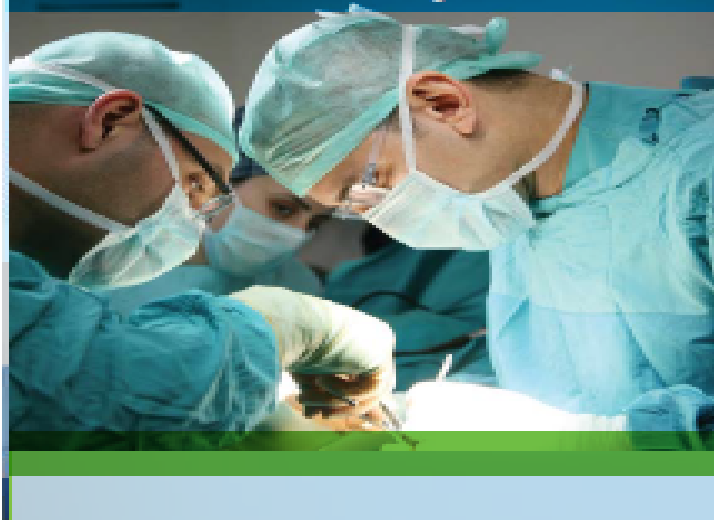
## 10 What should I do if I am a kidney failure patient & want to get pre-transplant counseling?

Call the transplant nurse at

**03-7949 2497**

(Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm)  
and make an appointment.

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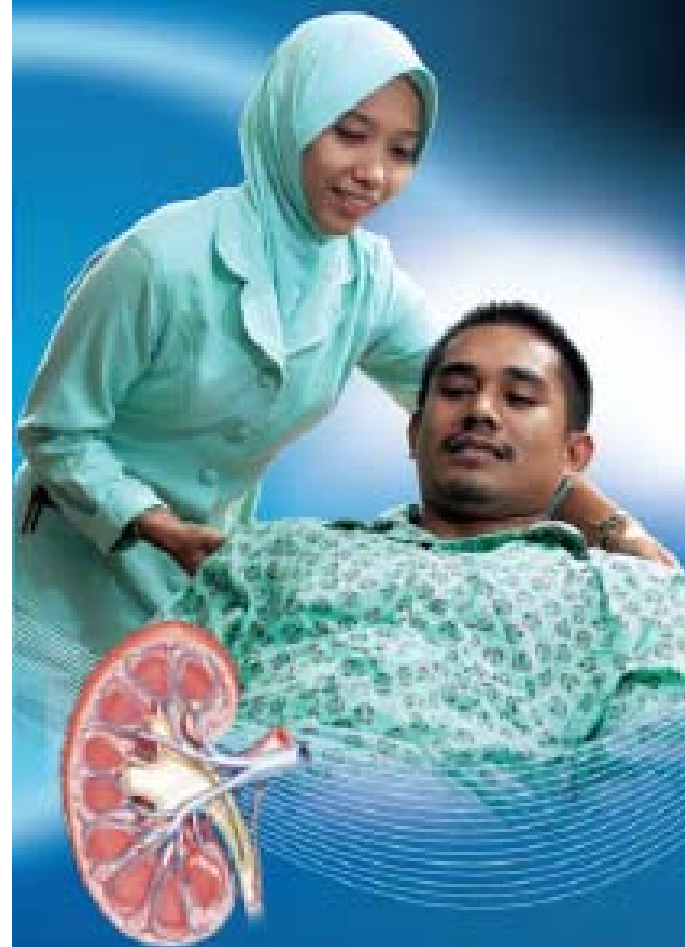
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## Renal Transplantation at University Malaya Medical Centre - FAQ



## 1 Who needs kidney transplant?

Patients who have End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD), which means, complete or almost complete failure of the kidneys to function.

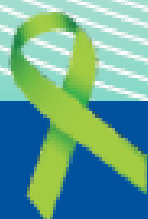
These patients can choose to undergo dialysis or kidney transplant.

## 2 What is the meaning of kidney transplant?

It is an operation that involves getting a functioning kidney either from living or deceased donors to be transplanted to a patient who has End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD).

## 3 How is kidney transplant when compared to dialysis treatment?

Kidney transplant recipients have been proven to have better quality of life and longer life span if compared to those undergoing dialysis.



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## 4 How many types of kidney transplant available?

Generally, it is divided into 2 main categories i.e.

### (a) *Living kidney transplant*

- Living-related: the donors are from close relatives.
- Living-unrelated: the donors are spouses or friends.

### (b) *Cadaveric or Deceased kidney transplant:*

- the donors are from brain-dead patients.

*\* Living-unrelated kidney transplant is not commonly practised in Malaysia & all the cases need to be submitted to UTAC for further assessment.*

## 5 What is the meaning of pre-emptive kidney transplantation?

It means the kidney transplant operation is performed before a kidney failure patient needs dialysis treatment. Most of the kidney transplants are performed after the patients are on maintenance dialysis.

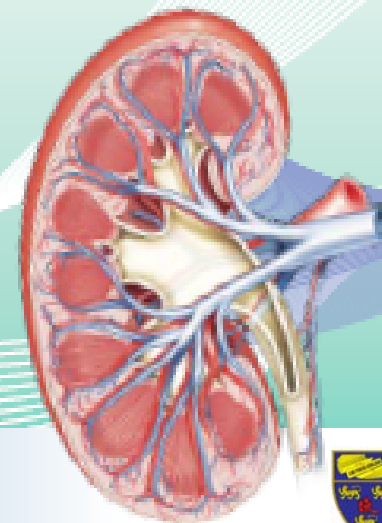
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## 6 Is it right to say that a patient after kidney transplant would not need dialysis anymore?

**Yes!** If the transplant operation is successful. However, the kidney transplant recipients need to continue the medications for long term to prevent rejection of the transplanted kidney.

## 7 Is kidney transplant treatment available in Malaysia?

**Yes! UMMC** is one of the major kidney transplant centres in Malaysia. Other centres include Hospital Kuala Lumpur (HKL), Hospital Selayang and Pusat Perubatan University Kebangsaan Malaysia UKM (PPUKM).



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