

Leicestershire Kidney Patients' Association

LKPA

- A charity (Charity no. 505795) run by volunteers, mainly renal patients or relatives, for the benefit of its members

via

- an elected committee of ~10 people (Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter coordinator and other members);
- non-elected supporters (e.g. website and pantomime coordinators)

What do we do?

The LKPA aims to support its members

- through provision of support and guidance via the telephone, email, newsletters; website;
- allocation of small grants for basic needs;
- helping to organise educational sessions;
- organising social events and outings;
- responding to other suggestions!

What else do we do?

The LKPA is also represented on a number of NHS committees including:

- Kidney Care Appeal (KCA);
- Kidney Patients Associations (NHS and KPAs of Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire);
- Patient Carer Forum/East Midlands Renal Network as above plus Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire and NKF;

What is our Income?

Income

- £6000 pa from a trust fund (until 2018);
- Donations – mainly from members or their families
- Fund-raising – events, seasonal goods...., includes donations of goods from a variety of companies/shops and individuals
- Should we have a nominal membership fee?

What is our Expenditure?

Expenditure

- Printing/postage of Newsletters but moving to via clinics, dialysis units and email unless request by post
- Other administration (insurance, expenses)
- Grants to members – recently ~£500 for 2 sheds
- Grants to KCA/NHS (recently £2000 for Ward 15 Day Room and ~£2500 for research)
- Supporting KCA (recently ~£2000 to support WKD and sponsored run events)

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Who are our members?

- All kidney patients of UHL and satellite units BUT we they have to supply us with their contact details (UHL data protection)
- Interested NHS staff
- Interested family and friends of patients
- General public with interest in supporting the LKPA and kidney patients

Currently ~1100 members

How can **YOU** be involved?

- Membership - take a leaflet & application form now and either fill it in and return today or post to the LKPA address at LGH.
- Assist at LKPA-organised events
- Organise events near to your home
- Offer to support needier members
- Committee – come to a meeting and see if you would like to join (next is may 20th)
- Suggestions – make them, they're welcome