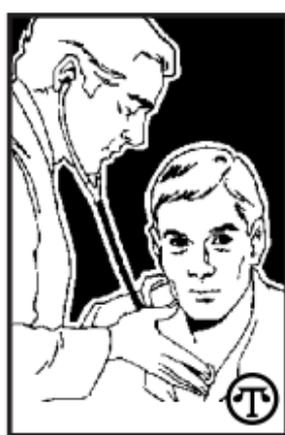


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Teaming Up To Fight Disease

(NAPSA)—A new foundation is working to give all Americans some of the same information available to doctors by providing them with the latest facts, figures and findings on a group of diseases that affect more than 70 million—or one in four—people in the U.S. alone.

At the same time, the independent, not-for-profit Kidney and Urology Foundation will also award grants to patients in need of organ and tissue transplants—including children in dire need of new kidneys—and fund what's described as “large, breakthrough studies” on kidney and urology disease in order to elevate the urgency of such research nationwide.



Many experts believe the field has been sorely lacking for research dollars. “Prostate cancer—a type of urological disease—accounts for 15 percent of cancer deaths in men, yet receives only five percent of federal funding for cancer research,” says Robert Waldbaum, M.D., Chief of Urology at North Shore University Hospital and chairman of the Foundation’s Urology Medical Advisory Board.

“Our overriding mission is to provide leadership to the research community to promote better understanding, prevention and treatment of kidney and urologic diseases,” says Dr. Victor Schuster, chairman of the Foundation’s Kidney Advisory Council. “We want to bring research and information to the fingertips of patients.”

For more information, call 1-800-633-6628 or visit www.kidneyurology.org.