

## **Ohio** <sup>[1]</sup>

### **Ohio Dialysis Patient Resources**

#### **Patient Support and Financial Resources**

##### **Kidney Foundation of Greater Cincinnati - Medication Aid Program** <sup>[2]</sup>

Offers qualified kidney patients financial assistance to offset medication costs.

1-513-961-8105

##### **National Kidney Foundation Serving Ohio and Kentucky** <sup>[3]</sup>

Offers emergency financial assistance to patients with limited funds living in Ohio and Kentucky.

1-614-481-4030

##### **Ohio Department of Health/Bureau of Children with Medical Handicaps (BCMh)** <sup>[4]</sup>

Offers programs that will find and help pay for medical services for children under 21 who are residents of Ohio and have a Medical Handicap

1-800-755-4769

##### **Giant Eagle Supermarkets** <sup>[5]</sup>

Provides certain oral diabetes <sup>[6]</sup> medications for free.

1-800-553-2324

##### **Meijer Supermarkets** <sup>[7]</sup>

Prescriptions will be filled for up to 100 tablets; refills are also free. The specific medication(s) in the program may change from time to time; as of 4/20/10, metformin (Glucophage) was available.

##### **Diabetes Association of Greater Cleveland/Lend Each Other A Helping Hand (LEAH) Program** <sup>[8]</sup>

This program provides a 30-day supply of strips, lancets, and syringes to diabetics who are residents of the service area.

1-216-591-0800

#### **ESRD Network**

##### **#9 ESRD Network "The Renal Network"** <sup>[9]</sup>

911 E. 86th Street, Suite 202

Indianapolis, IN 46240

1-800-456-6919

#### **State Run Programs**

##### **Ohio Department of Job and Family Services** <sup>[10]</sup>

1-877-852-0010

- **Adult Programs:** Ohio Medicaid offers a span of programs for older adults and people with disabilities to assist with medical expenses. These programs provide health care coverage consisting of primary and acute-care benefit packages along with long-term care.
- **Programs for Children:** Ohio Healthy Families Health care coverage program for families that include a child younger than 19 and who meet income requirements.
- **Medication Programs:** Ohio's Best Rx Prescription drug discount card program for seniors and low-income individuals.
- **Additional Programs:** Working Ohioans with disabilities may be interested in the Medicaid Buy-In for Workers with Disabilities program.

## Health Reform Status

Exchange: The federal government will run the health insurance exchange in Ohio.

Medicaid: The state will expand Medicaid eligibility.

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