

# Foundation reaches out to poor folk with renal failure

THE National Kidney Foundation (NKF) provides a lifeline for those who are poor and with end-stage renal failure. It also helps bear the dialysis cost for patients who are unemployed and have no family support.

The Health Ministry also subsidises the cost of treatment for poor patients by providing RM50 per person,

Among the aid recipients are 65-year-old Josbir Singh, who is receiving dialysis treatment at Pusat Dialysis Apex NKF-Kelab Apex (Klang).

“I am grateful for NKF’s help.

“There is no discrimination between paying patients and those who are subsidised,” he said.

Another dialysis patient, Maruthai Sappany, said: “I have been well looked after.

“When I am hungry, they give me a drink and biscuits. When I am not feeling well, they make sure I am attended to.”

Muniamah Ramon, who has been undergoing dialysis for the past four years, is also grateful for the assistance.

“NKF offered me the hardcore poor treatment subsidy after evaluating my financial situation.”