

## **1. Introduction:**

The National Kidney Foundation of Malaysia (NKF) is a non-profit charity organization established in 1969. It offers affordable, high-quality dialysis treatment to patients in need, and access through generous funding, primarily from individuals.

In April 2026, the Paediatric Nephrology Service, Ministry of Health, Malaysia, sought funding for vascular access surgery for the children who dropped out of peritoneal dialysis. They struggle to establish a working fistula for these children and have to turn to private facilities. Many of these patients were from a low socio-economic background and were not able to support the creation of vascular access in the private.

The PSWC concurred with the request on 18 May 2026. The NKF Board of Directors approved funding for the NKF Paediatric Vascular Access Subsidy on 8 June 2026 to be effective from 1 July 2026 for paediatric patients with end-stage kidney disease to access haemodialysis treatment. The amount of financial subsidy for vascular access creation depends on the financial status as assessed by the NKF Welfare Department, through interviews, home visits where applicable, and reviews of financial documents submitted by applicants.

## **2. Application:**

The Applicants are subject to the following **Terms and Conditions**:

- Are Malaysian citizens;
- **Referred by Paediatric Nephrologists from the government Hospitals, including university hospitals, where applicable, with:**
  - **Referral Form – Form A**
  - **Quotation for the vascular access surgeon.**
- **The Applicant to complete the Application Form – Form B, with:**
  - Recent Passport Size Photo,
  - Clear Photocopy of the Identity Card (IC) or birth certificate of the applicant,
  - Latest pay slips, EPF statements, and Income Tax returns of the parents and all working family members,
  - Applicant or household members who are mentally or physically incapacitated are required to provide the OKU card from the Department of Social Welfare.
  - If receiving financial assistance from other sources, must reveal the sources and amounts of assistance;
  - Family members who currently require treatment or long-term care - Attached the doctor's letter as a supporting document;
  - House photos – front (from roof to floor), sitting room, and kitchen;
- Are prepared to be reviewed by NKF Welfare Officers as and when necessary, at the discretion of NKF, concerning their eligibility to receive the subsidy
- Must agree to home visits by the NKF Welfare Officers with a view to verifying all information given;
- Are prepared to co-pay a portion of the fees for the surgery as determined by the Chief Executive Officer of NKF;

**The completed Form A & Form B should be sent to the NKF Welfare Department:**

**welfare@nkf.org.my**

*(Note: When the NKF digitalisation plan is operational, all Forms need to be completed and submitted online through the NKF Webpage)*

## NKF PAEDIATRIC VASCULAR ACCESS SUBSIDY

