

# National Hispanic Heritage Month

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- In 2020, out of the Hispanic people who were on the waitlist for hearts or kidneys, only about **3** out of every **10** actually got the organs they needed.
- Out of all the people who need transplants, about **1** in **5** are Hispanic people.
- About **69** out of every **100** organs that were donated from Hispanic patients in 2020 came from people who had passed away.
- Hispanics tend to suffer from diabetes, heart disease and obesity at disproportionately high rates, putting them at risk for organ failure. Several factors including language barriers, mistrust, lack of awareness, concern for immigration status, and limited access to care create barriers for Latinos becoming organ donors.

Source:



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