



# Kidney Q&A

4-12 months

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## Q: How can I get help to pay for school or work training?

**A:** You may qualify for a scholarship, loan, veteran's benefits, or other sources of help to pay for school or a work training program.

Before you apply to a program, ask for their graduation rate and success rate, how they help people find jobs, and what their job placement rate is. Be sure that the program you choose will help you to begin the career of your choice.

### What *I* can do to learn more about paying for education or training:

- Talk with my social worker about who might help me locally.
  - Meet with my school guidance counselor or college financial aid office to ask about loans or work-study programs for school.
  - Research student loan programs: Federal Stafford Loan, Sallie Mae ([www.salliemae.com](http://www.salliemae.com)), or Nellie Mae ([www.nelliemae.com](http://www.nelliemae.com)).
  - Check out free Internet sites on student financial aid: [www.ed.gov/index.jsp](http://www.ed.gov/index.jsp), [www.students.gov](http://www.students.gov), and more.
  - Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid ([www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)).
- Talk with Vocational Rehabilitation or other employment networks.
  - Find income-based education tax credits ([www.theoldschool.org/taxbreaks/](http://www.theoldschool.org/taxbreaks/)).
  - Read *Employment: A Kidney Patient's Guide to Working and Paying for Treatment* at [www.lifeoptions.org](http://www.lifeoptions.org).