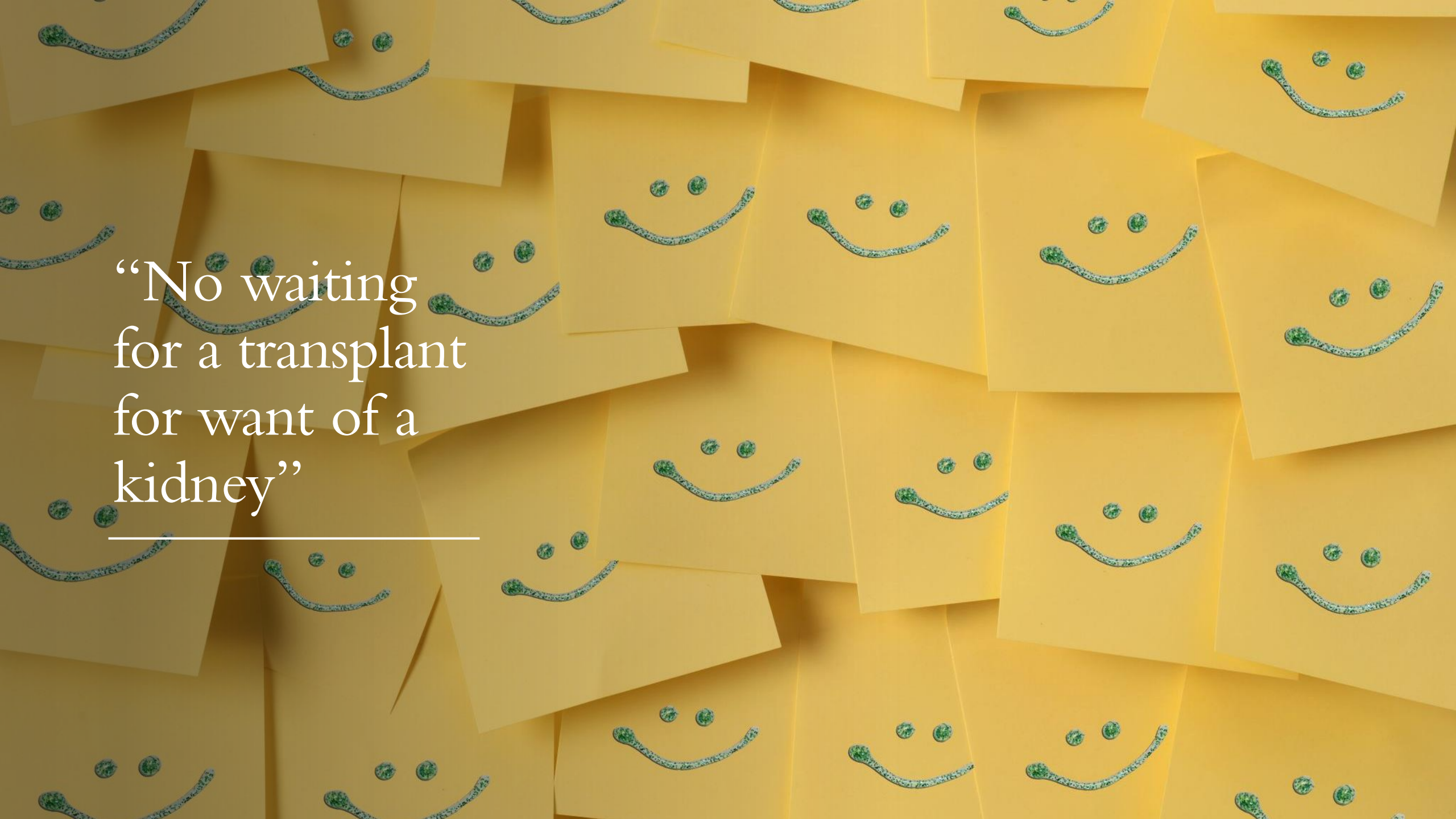




LIVING KIDNEY DONATION – AN EQUITABLE ACT?

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The background of the image is a dense, overlapping pattern of yellow sticky notes. Each sticky note features a simple, hand-drawn smiley face with two small dots for eyes and a curved line for a mouth. The smiley faces are drawn in a light blue or teal color. The sticky notes are arranged in a way that they appear to be scattered and slightly offset from each other, creating a textured, layered effect. The overall color palette is warm and positive, dominated by the yellow of the paper and the light blue of the drawings.

“No waiting
for a transplant
for want of a
kidney”







Why?



The UK
stats were
sobering

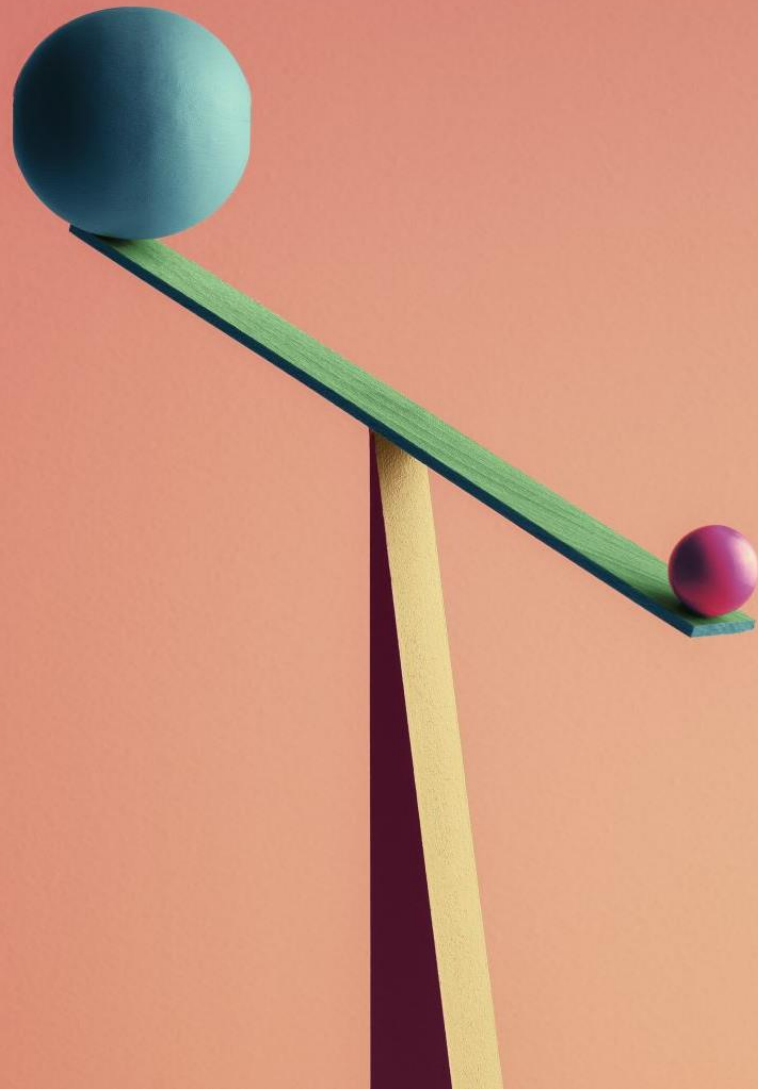
- 5,000 people on the
transplant waiting list

- Six people a week
die in need of a kidney



My health
was good
luck

OTHERS WERE NOT SO
LUCKY



Health inequality



“I cannot
change the
world, but I
can change
the world of
one person”

Paul Shane Spear







Equality



Equity



Why Not?

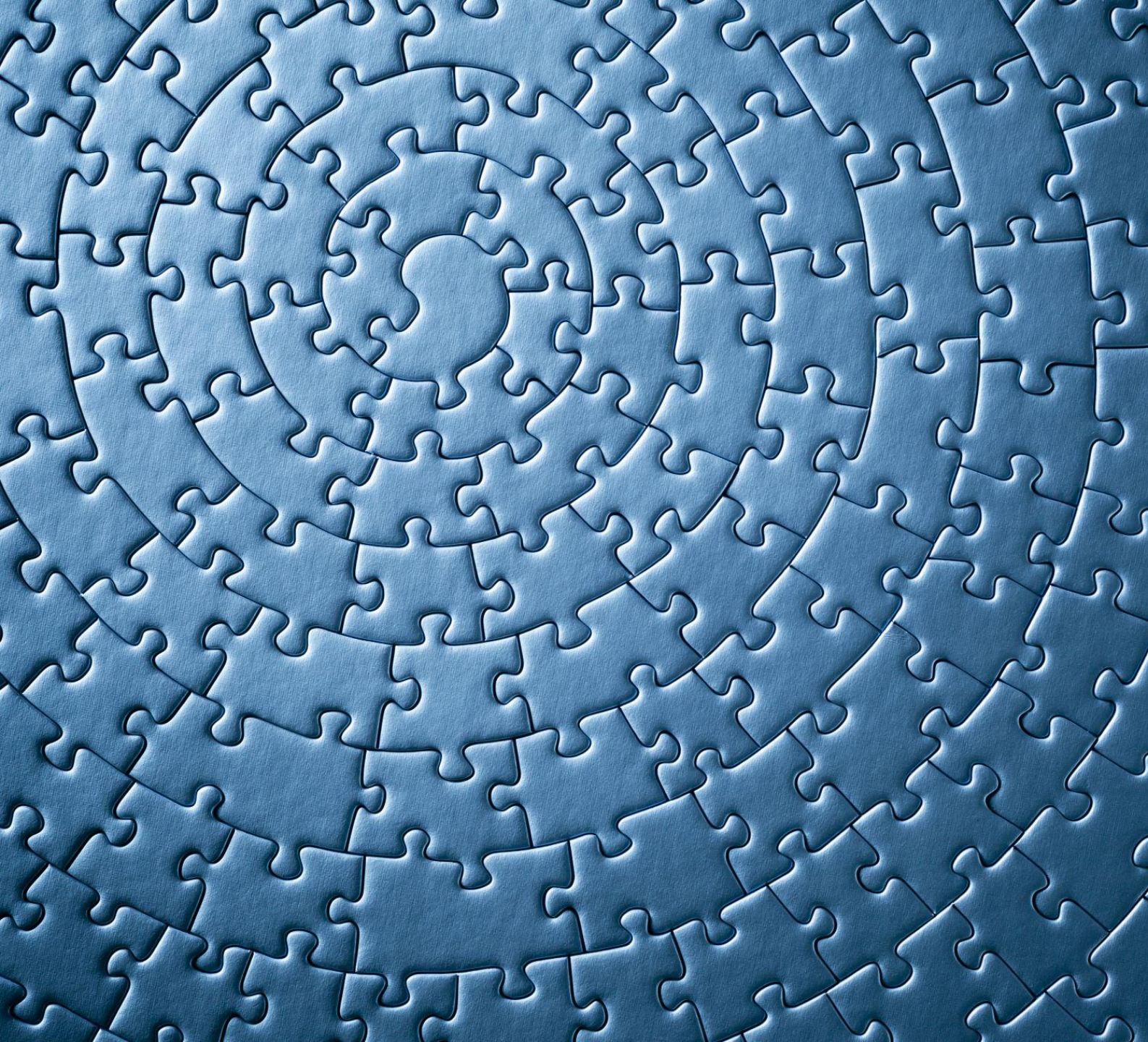
Risks – the what ifs



“What you risk reveals what
you value”

Jeanette Winterson





One piece
of the jigsaw

Health inequalities



Health inequalities – Kidney Research UK (2018)

In 2018,

Kidney Health Inequalities in the United Kingdom: Reflecting on the Past, Reducing in the Future – painted a stark picture. It highlighted multiple aspects of inequality, including:

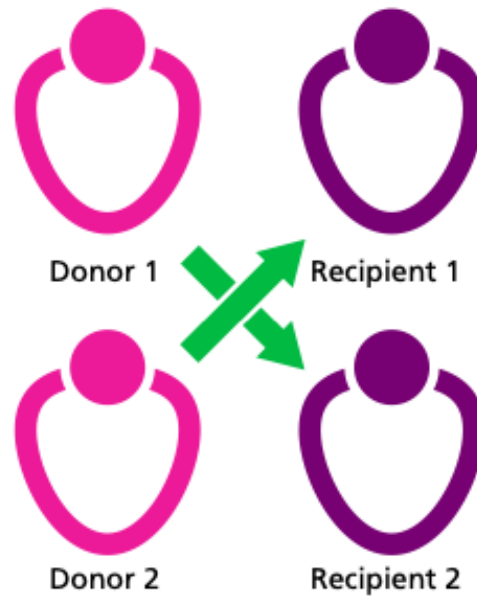
- adults living in the **poorest parts of the country** are more likely to develop kidney disease, progress faster to end-stage kidney disease where dialysis or a transplant might be needed, and die younger.
- those of **South Asian, Black African and Black Caribbean descent** are over-represented on dialysis programmes, then making up 22.7% of people in the UK receiving kidney replacement therapy
- access to living donation is impacted by **health literacy**

Amplified by COVID-19 and cost of living crisis

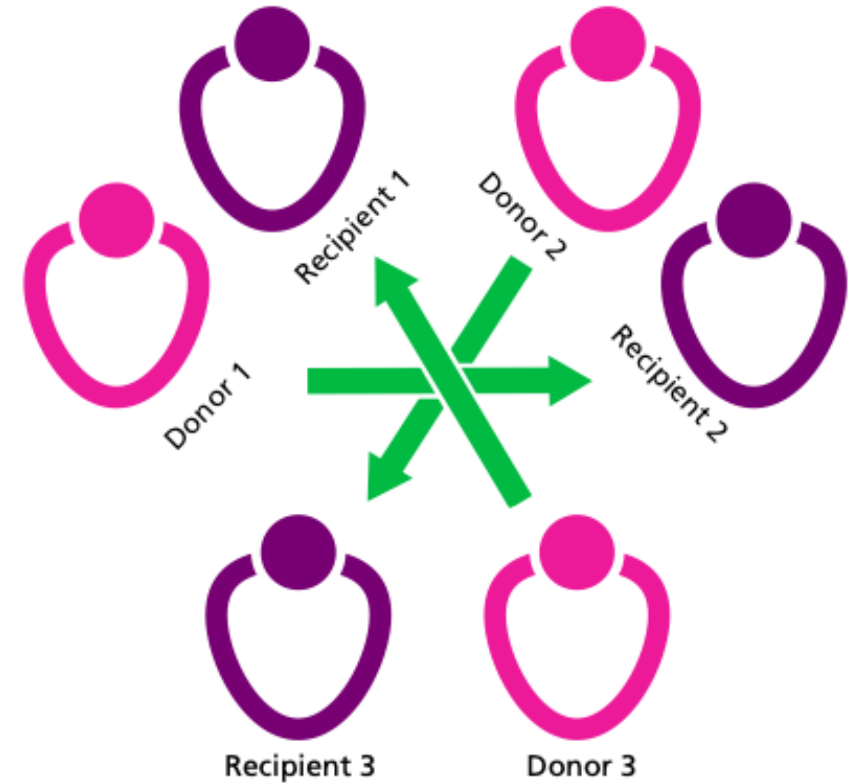
UK Living Kidney Sharing Scheme



Paired/Pooled donation

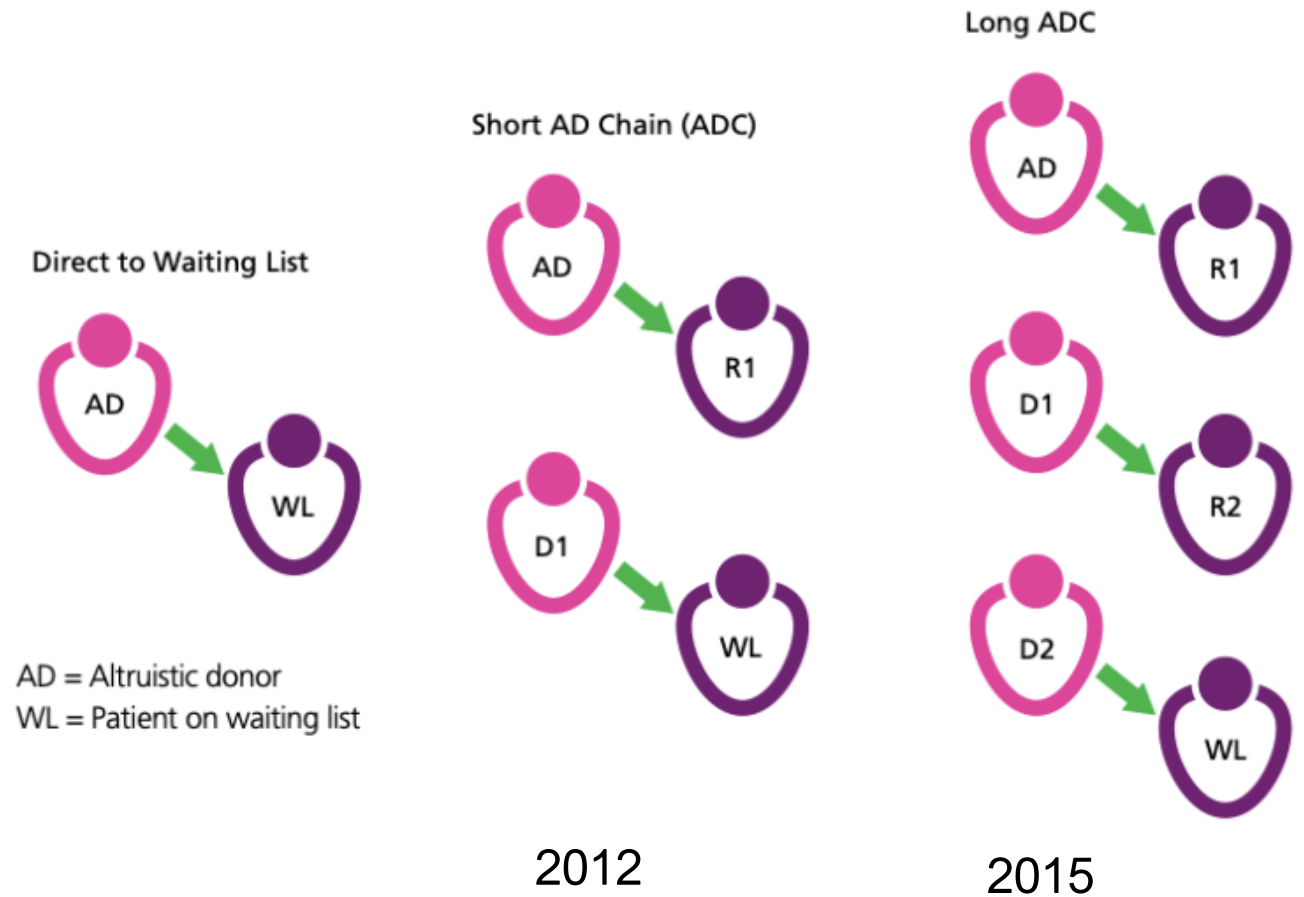


2-way exchanges
(Paired donation)



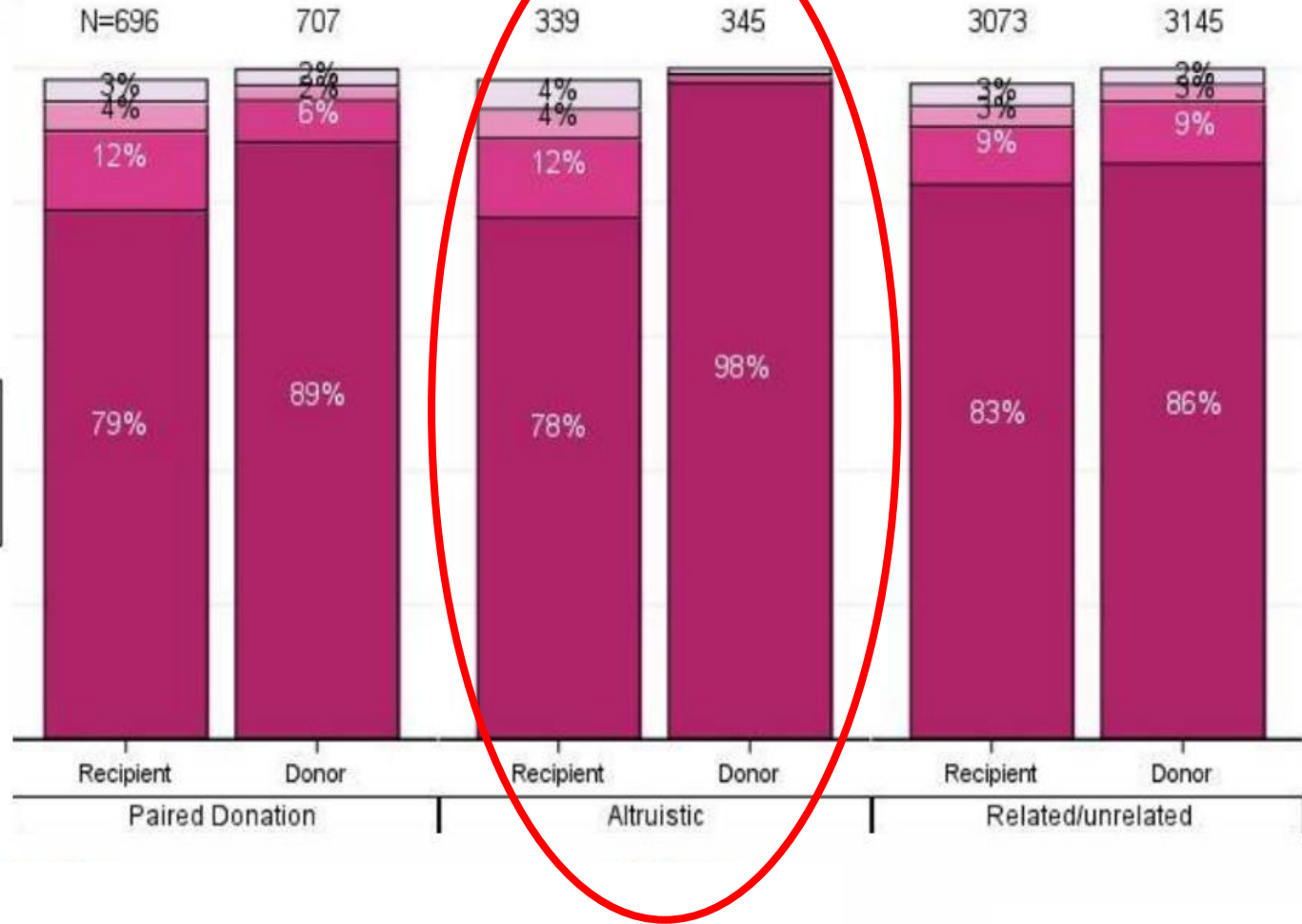
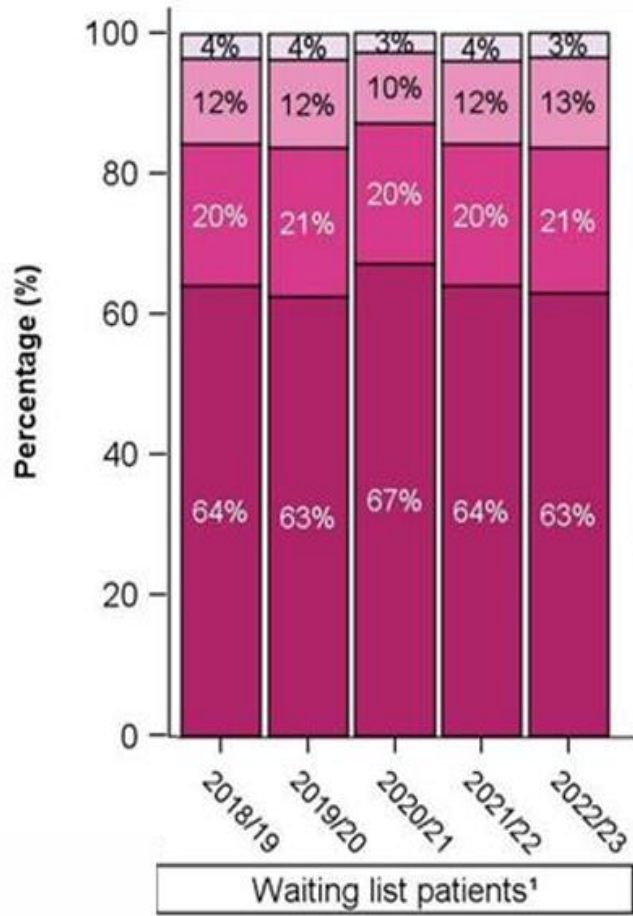
3-way exchanges
(Pooled donation)

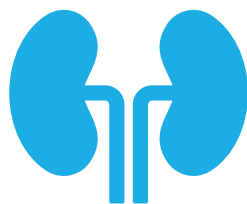
Altruistic (non-directed) donor chains



2018 – non-directed donors default into the UKLKSS unless there is a high-priority recipient on the waiting list

Ethnicity – waiting list & LDKT (2018-23)





Non-directed donors

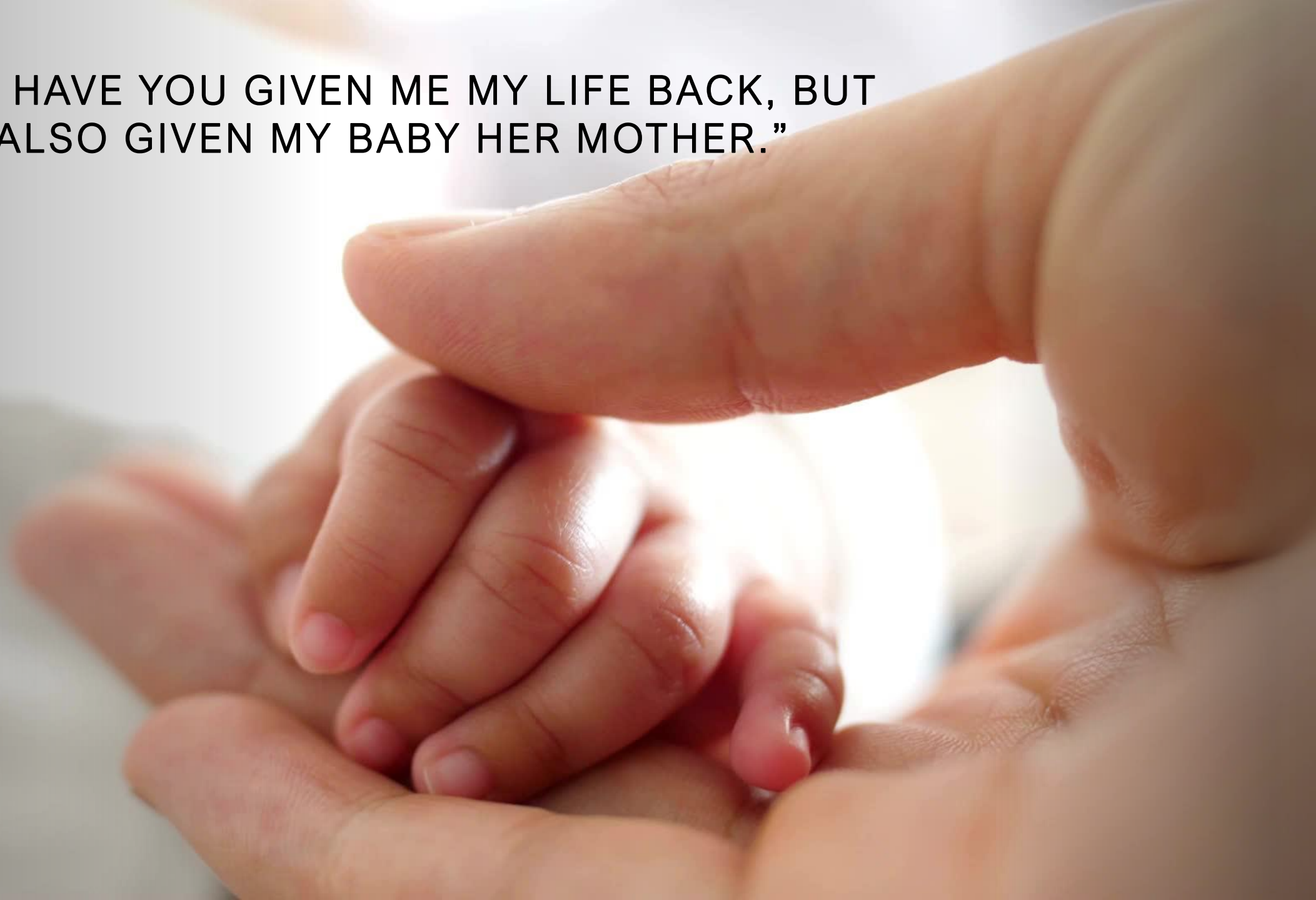
- Trigger up to three transplants
 - Provide matches for underserved communities
 - Benefit harder to transplant patients by being a wildcard in the matching process, which is already weighted to try to address inequalities
 - Does not exclude patients who don't already have a living donor
 - Improve equity of access to transplantation
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1076 non-directed altruistic donations

- 707 donations directly to the transplant list
- 369 initiating non-directed altruistic donor chains
- 904 transplants initiated by these chains

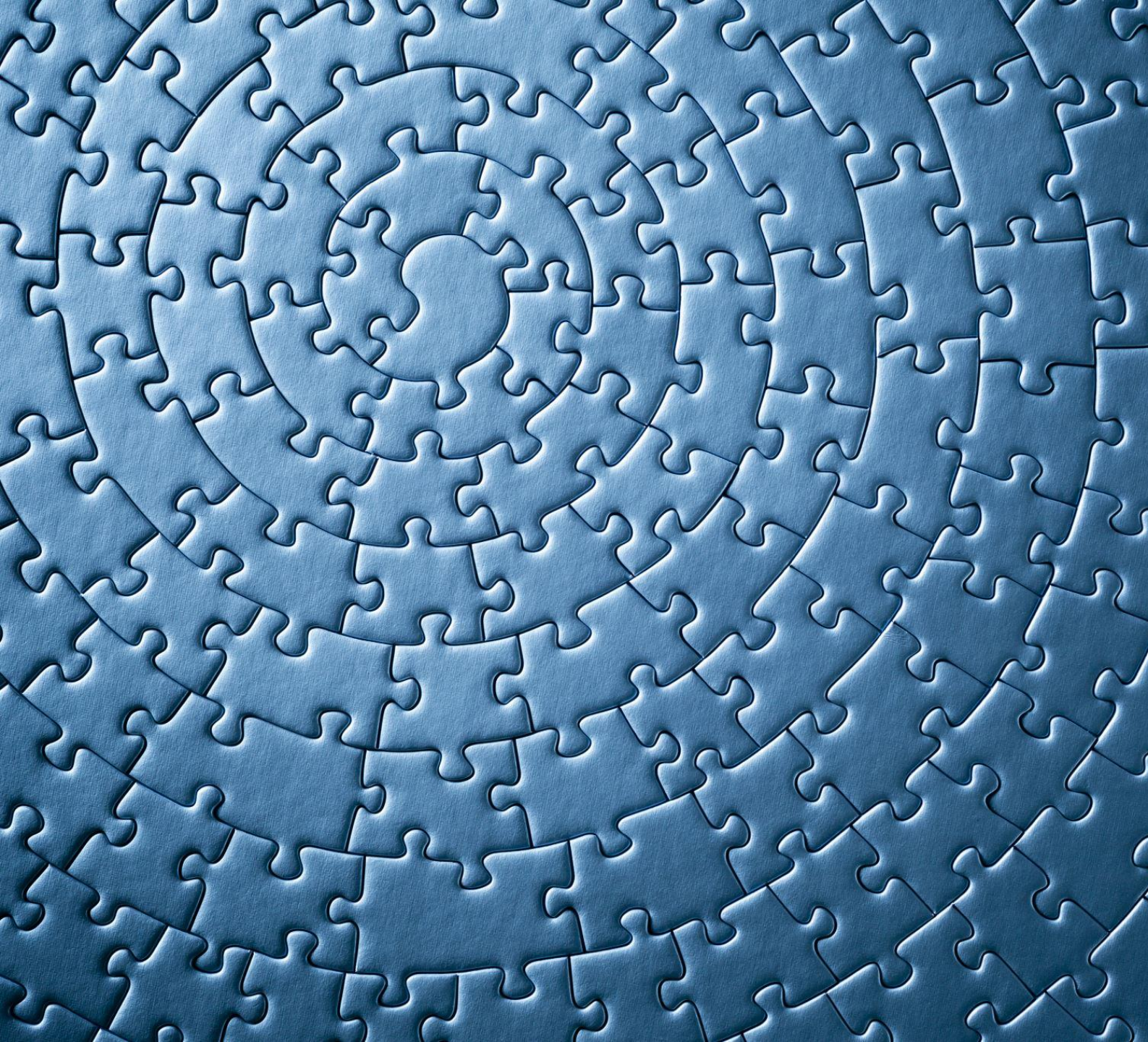
1611 transplants resulting from these non-directed donors

“NOT ONLY HAVE YOU GIVEN ME MY LIFE BACK, BUT
YOU HAVE ALSO GIVEN MY BABY HER MOTHER.”



“NOT ONLY HAVE **YOU** GIVEN ME MY LIFE BACK, BUT YOU
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