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### **Northwest Kidney Centers names new Foundation Board member**

Seattle, WA (April 18, 2013): Nonprofit [Northwest Kidney Centers](#) has named Russell Stepp to its [Foundation Board](#).

Stepp is principal of his own firm, Stepp Consulting Inc. He retired as chief executive officer of R.W. Beck, Inc. (now SAIC Energy, Environment & Infrastructure, LLC), an energy and water management company.

Northwest Kidney Centers' Foundation Board provides leadership, guidance and oversight of the nonprofit health care provider's fundraising program and works to increase its visibility within the community.

**Northwest Kidney Centers** keeps people in King and Clallam counties alive with dialysis therapy, educates the public about kidney health, and collaborates with [UW Medicine](#) in the [Kidney Research Institute](#). Northwest Kidney Centers is one of very few community-based, nonprofit dialysis providers in the country. Founded in 1962 in Seattle, it was the first out-of-hospital dialysis program in the world, and it is still a model in the field. Its mission remains critical. One in seven American adults has chronic kidney disease, up 30 percent in the last decade.

For more information, visit [www.nwkidney.org](http://www.nwkidney.org).

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