

TABLING AN ISSUE

How to table Parliamentary/Congressional questions?

Parliamentary or Congressional questions are tools that can be used by elected officials to seek information or to push for action. They oblige, for instance, the Minister of Health or Social Policy to explain and defend the work, policy decisions and actions of their departments. Your role might be to encourage your elected official to raise an issue in Parliament /Congress by means of a question.

When doing so, these steps should be followed:

- Target officials who are likely to be interested organ donation and transplantation
- Draft a letter to the targeted officials including subject of your request and issue you would like to present;
- Request a meeting with the official to further brief him/her about organ donation and transplantation, the burden of current management of CKD and its impact on society and patients

Following a successful meeting, the official may either draft the question, or ask you to prepare a first draft question for his/her consideration