

HOW ARE YOU MAKING A DIFFERENCE

MEET ALEIA

Victoria

When she was three years old, Aleia was diagnosed with Nephrotic Syndrome. Her parents took her to the doctors and it showed that she had suffered a massive protein loss from her kidneys.

Aleia and her family were moved to Monash Hospital. They were there for over four months, having to go through various surgeries, access lines and albumin infusions, all of which had no success initially.

After going through months of investigations and treatments, which included continuous infusions, ultrasounds and blood tests, her family and doctors thought that Aleia had gone into partial remission. Unfortunately, she experienced toxicity from the medicines she was on and both her kidneys had to be removed due to kidney failure.

Aleia's mother was found to be a match for her kidney transplant. After the transplant, complications occurred and Aleia needed daily plasma exchange. Despite the odds, her kidney began responding well and now she only needs plasma exchange once a week.

Now, nearly 7 years post-transplant, Aleia is a happy, energetic, beautiful girl whose family wants people to know how important kidney health awareness is.

