

Yesler Terrace – Commuter Fair

General talking points

- The new Yesler Terrace Kidney Center (YTKC) will open this fall. It will allow us to provide more patients with high-quality care, in a safe, bright and welcoming space.
- The Yesler Terrace clinic will have secure garage parking for patients and staff, with a limited number of spots.
- YTKC clinical staff whose shifts start when the clinic opens or end when the clinic closes for the evening will have priority for those employee parking spots. All other staff at YTKC will have the option to park for free at the Broadway/Haviland garage and walk to Yesler Terrace.
- If you are using mass transit for 50% of your scheduled work shifts in a month, you are eligible for a 100% subsidized ORCA pass to use public transit. Fill out an application, get your manager and director's approval signatures and submit the form to people@nwkidney.org.
- Staff will also have access to bike storage, lockers and a shower area at the new clinic.

Staff FAQs

PARKING

- **Do I need to apply for a new parking permit sticker for YTKC?**

If you are eligible to park in the Yesler Terrace garage, we'll contact you prior to the move to let you know how to apply for a parking permit for the new building. The Yesler Terrace parking permit will be a different color and will require manager and director approval. Your access badge will need to be modified to access the parking garage.

If you already have a parking permit for the Broadway or Seattle clinics, it will still be valid to park in the Broadway/Haviland garage and all other NKC locations.

- **How are we going to accommodate clinical staff who are filling in at YTKC for short-term assignments, or staff who need 24/7 access to the building for emergencies?**

Loaner access badges will need to be coordinated with your manager for floating/per diem staff.

- **I already have a parking permit – can't I just use that to park at the new clinic?**

No. You will not be able to park in the Yesler Terrace garage without a specific Yesler Terrace permit and a modification to your access badge.

- **Will the Yesler Terrace garage be secure?**

Yes, the garage has a gate, and patients and staff will need to use their employee badge or patient access badge to access it. Patients will park on the upper parking level, and employees will access the staff parking area using their employee access badge.

- **What if I drive more than one vehicle? Can I get parking permits for both?**

You will need to request a parking permit for each vehicle that you drive.

TRANSIT/ORCA CARDS

- **Can I have both a subsidized transit pass and the option to park at Havaland/YTKC?**

Yes. If you qualify for an ORCA pass, you can also request a parking permit. NKC subsidizes 100% of the regional ORCA pass (which covers buses, trains and ferries in WA), Ship to Shore Pass, local government-organized vanpool for monthly transportation costs and the Ride Home benefit for staff who use public transit to commute at least 50% of the days on which they're scheduled to work within a month.

- **How do I get a free ORCA pass?**

First, read the Transportation Subsidy Policy in Policy Manager for details and determine if you qualify for this benefit. Then print and fill out the form on K-Net, and have your manager and director sign it. Return it to people@nwkidney.org.

- **I'm transferring to a different NKC clinic (not Yesler Terrace) when this clinic closes. Can I still get a subsidized ORCA pass?**

Yes. All NKC staff can apply for a subsidized ORCA/Ship to Shore pass/ Vanpool pass. See the Employee Transportation Subsidies Policy in Policy Manager for details, or email people@nwkidney.org.