

**PREVALENCE OF LIVER DISEASE  
STATE FACT SHEET**

American Liver Foundation (ALF) Liver Life Advocates—Raising Awareness, Advancing Change™, represents more than 100 million Americans affected by liver disease.



**Colorado Residents Affected by Liver Disease**



**Jenna M.**

Jenna advocates to raise awareness about the importance of organ donation. Jenna didn't know she had been born with primary sclerosing cholangitis (PSC) until she found herself in need of a lifesaving liver transplant. Thanks to the selfless act of a living liver donor, she will have the opportunity to watch her three sons grow up.



**Stephanie M.**

Stephanie advocates for increased living donor protections and access to more affordable care. Stephanie's son was born at 32 weeks and quickly diagnosed with Alagille Syndrome, a rare genetic liver disease. At 10 months old, he received a successful liver transplant thanks to her husband, who became their son's living liver donor. Her family has faced many challenges including a heavy financial impact.



**Victoria S., MD**

Victoria advocates for increased federal funding for liver disease research and access to specialized care. As a rheumatologist and a patient with two autoimmune liver diseases, Victoria understands the impact research has on patient outcomes, and that primary care physicians need to be better educated about liver diseases.

**State Statistics**

**1,213**

Colorado residents died of liver disease/cirrhosis in 2023

**230**

liver transplants were performed in Colorado in 2025

**170**

people are on the liver transplant waitlist

**2**

Coloradans died while on the liver transplant waitlist in 2025

**7.6%**

of adults in Colorado have diabetes

**25%**

of adults in Colorado are obese

**16.7%**

of adults have no leisurely physical activity

**ALF 2026 Legislative Priorities**

- Support Living Donors: Advance the Living Donor Protection Act and the Expanding Support for Living Organ Donors Act to protect donors and reduce financial barriers
- Ensure Patient Access: Pass the Safe Step Act, Treat and Reduce Obesity Act, and HELP Copays Act to improve access and affordability
- Pediatric Screening: Advance the Ian Kalvinskis Pediatric Liver Cancer Early Detection and Screening Act for earlier diagnosis
- CDC Efforts: Strengthen liver disease surveillance and prevention

ALF is a national community of patients, caregivers and medical professionals dedicated to helping people improve their liver health. Providing guidance and life-saving resources, we are a beacon for the 100 million Americans affected by liver disease. We advocate for patients and families, fund medical research and educate the public about liver wellness and disease prevention. We bring people together through our educational programs and events and create a network of support that lasts a lifetime. ALF is the largest organization focused on all liver diseases and the trusted voice for patients and families living with liver disease. For more information visit [liverfoundation.org](http://liverfoundation.org) or call 1-800-GO-LIVER (800-465-4837).