



NAME of the Society ___Dialysis, Nephrology and Kidney Transplantation Union of Georgia (DNT Union of Georgia)

NAME of the Society in the original language: Saqartvelos dialysis, nefrologiisa da tirkmlis transplantatsiis kavshiri

YEAR of the Society's creation 2003

Approximate number of members 59

_____ (date of the last update __20/__01/_/2014__)

Please write the names and family names of the current President, Vice President, Secretary and end of their tenure. Please also include the name of President/Vice President/Secretary Elect if available

DNT Union board members:

Irma Tchokhnelidze - board member , current president

Avtandil Tataradze - board member

Nino Maglakelidze - board member

Merab Sutidze - board member

Otar Rusadze - board member

Tinatin Davitaia - board member

Nata Metreveli - Secretary elect

Society's webpage www.dntunion.ge

Society's medical journal (webpage) www.dntunion.ge/journal

Society's Registry (if any): Kidney Biopsy Registry

Fellowship programs or educational opportunities for young doctors (if any):

- Nephrology residency at Tbilisi State Medical University - 3 years
- Annual CME courses for Nephrology

- **Biannual regional on-site workshops “Round Table Discussion in Nephrology”**
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Short description of the Society (preferably no more than 2000 characters):

Dialysis, Nephrology and Kidney Transplantation Union of Georgia was established in 2003 for advancement of nephrology in the country. The goal of the union was to integrate the professionals in one union for further improvement of basic education and nephrology care in the country. Since 2003 the main activities in nephrology have been undertaken by dedicated union members. They started by proposing the establishment of the subject of nephrology as a separate specialty, out- and in- patient nephrology care algorithms for national level services, chronic kidney disease evaluation, and prevention and management national protocols. Nephrology as a specialty first gained independence from Internal Medicine in October 2005, and established its own post-grad program, intended for fellows after an year of intensive training in internal medicine. The curriculum in nephrology includes 2 years rotating modules that covered all branches and competencies in nephrology. DNT Union granted the renal pathologist for training and kidney biopsy registry establishment. DNT Union is in close cooperation with National Health Department in proposing of National Dialysis services and Kidney Transplantation programs so, that RRT is easily available for CKD population. Unfortunately in the country works only living related donation. In near future DNT Union continues its close collaboration with National authorities for further development of kidney transplantation in the country, promotes the implementation of CKD evaluation and prevention programs and initiates the establishment of AKI Registry. Currently Kidney Biopsy registry is run by DNT Union; HD, PD and Tx Patients are included in National Registry run by Health Care Program. Annually on WKD DNT Union initiates the screening program for CKD in regions, where still is the lack of primary health care services. DNT Union supports young nephrologist training in developed countries.

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