



• World Kidney Day
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Dear Dr. Akira Hishida,

On behalf of the International Federation of Kidney Foundations, the International Society of Nephrology, and indeed the worldwide renal community, we would like to personally thank you and the members of Japan Association of Chronic Kidney Disease Initiative for your commitment and enthusiasm in so effectively promoting World Kidney Day 2007 in Japan.

Your exemplary efforts and initiative have contributed significantly to the success of the worldwide call to action for awareness about the kidneys on 8 March.

We applaud the commitment you have shown to the cause and appreciate very much the time and energy which you have voluntarily given and which is so much more than we could have hoped for.

We express our sincere hope that you will plan to participate in the next World Kidney Day, on 13 March 2008, with continuing energy, and perhaps even more comprehensive activities and that you will become an active "ambassador" of the kidney cause in your city, country and region, encouraging others to participate as well.

Please continue to share with us your results from WKD 2007, ongoing activities, and plans for WKD 2008 and beyond. We always appreciate hearing from you and also welcome your suggestions and ideas.

Thank you again for your outstanding contribution.

Warmest regards,

Dr. Sudhir Shah
President, IFKF

Dr. William Couser
President, ISN

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