

ASN, ERA-EDTA, ISN DECLARATION OF COLLABORATION (DoC)

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Kidney disease is a global challenge that respects no boundaries or borders.

Three major nephrology societies—the American Society of Nephrology (ASN), the European Renal Association – European Dialysis and Transplant Association (ERA-EDTA), and the International Society of Nephrology (ISN)—share the objective of advancing education, research and science to achieve the highest quality care for everyone with kidney disease worldwide.

Representatives of these three Societies recognize that their efforts are much more effective when aligned. For this reason, their leaders have been holding regular meetings since 2014, with the aim of promoting collaboration in all areas where they have common goals, through education, research and science.

The main goal of this declaration is to facilitate communication and enhance collaboration among the three Societies, ultimately increasing their collective strength, effectiveness and impact.

With a goal of ensuring collaboration and enhancing communication, the three Societies will initially:

1. Help physicians who have just started careers as nephrologists or are considering this possibility, locally, regionally and nationally.
2. Provide kidney professionals worldwide with more consistent, complete and up-to-date information about kidney diseases and treatments.
3. Advocate to ensure access to care and to harmonize efforts to prevent and treat kidney diseases worldwide.
4. Create joint initiatives.

The three Societies sincerely hope that this joint effort will excite and mobilize the kidney community around the world and ignite a larger movement striving to prevent, treat and ultimately cure kidney diseases worldwide.