



Memorial of Professor Ghamar Hosseini Al –Hashemi

The Iranian Society of Pediatric Nephrology mourns the loss of its founder, Professor Ghamar Hoseini Al-Hashemi, who passed away on March 15, 2021 at the age of 89 following chronic illness.

Dr Hashemi received her MD from Shiraz university of Medical Sciences. She had her pediatric residency at Nemazee and Boston Children’s hospital, Harvard University. She then had Pediatric Nephrology training at Boston and later at Philadelphia Children’s Hospital. She returned to Iran in 1965 and started her illustrious career at Shiraz University of Medical sciences. In 1991, she established the first pediatrics nephrology program in the country along with first pediatric dialysis unit.

Dr Hashemi distinguished herself as a true master educator of Pediatrics and nephrology working closely with medical students, pediatric residents and nephrology trainees. She was awarded “**Perfect Master**” and received the prestigious award of “**Immortal Master of Oriental Chemistry**” in 2000.

Throughout her career, working with patient and their families was her compassion and priority which she derived great pleasure. With her complex CKD patients, she showed a level of empathy that most of us can only aspire to. In this way she was a role model for her trainees.

Dr Hashemi,s most proud achievements, aside from her exemplary patient care, staunch administration, research and publication, local and National committee involvement was training twenty pediatric nephrologists who became the leaders throughout the country. Thanks to her visionary skills IranSPN is a thriving, dynamic and scientific community with national and international recognition and status.

Dr Hashemi will be dearly missed by her patients, colleagues and friends.



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