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In 1995, the Chair of Remedial Gymnastics and Sports Medicine was renamed as the Chair of Medical Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine. In 2000, it was merged with the Chair of Resort Therapy and Physiotherapy. In 2006, another reorganization took place and the Chair of Medical Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine was renamed as the Department, while the Department of Resort Therapy and Physiotherapy was detached to form a separate entity.

Department of Medical Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine was being led by Professor Naira Chabashvili from 2000 till 2020. Since September 2020, the Department is led by Professor Irakli Natroshvili.

Department of Medical Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine teaches undergraduate students, master's students, residents and trainees and provides them with up-to-date information regarding modern, evidence-based methods of rehabilitation; principles of teamwork; proper planning of the rehabilitation process; setting rehabilitation goals and defining priorities. In 2020, the members of the Department have prepared the Clinical Practice Guideline for Post-stroke Rehabilitation in Georgia, as well as clinical management standards (protocol).



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Department of Medical Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine closely cooperates with Georgian Sports Medicine Association, Georgian Olympic Committee, Georgian Football Federation and other sports organizations by means of implementing the joint projects, with an ultimate goal of further development of sport and sports medicine and promotion of healthy lifestyle in Georgia.

From 2015 till 2020, the Department was located on the premises of the First University Clinic of TSMU, where its personnel carried out consultations and rehabilitation activities for both inpatients and outpatients.

Starting from September 2020, the Department is situated in Ken Walker University Clinic for Medical Rehabilitation. Here, among other activities, the academic personnel of the Department is engaged in education and training of master's students of "Pediatric Rehabilitation" master's program and residents of "Sports Medicine" residency program.

Currently, academic personnel of the Department is represented by: professor Irakli Natroshvili, head of the Department; associated professor Zeinab Sopromadze; assistant professors Tamar Svanishvili and Elza Tataradze; laboratory worker Mariam Sopromadze.