



## DEPARTMENT OF HYGIENE AND MEDICAL ECOLOGY



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Department of Hygiene and Medical Ecology was established on the basis of Preventive Medicine's Chair. First Chair in this direction was established in 1920, named "General Hygiene's Chair with Epidemiology". First Head of the Chair until 1927 was Svimon Amirejibi. The Heads of the Chair/Department in different times have been Professor George Natadze - member-correspondent of the Academy of medicine and Science of USSR, Professor Vasil Katsitadze, Professor Givi Kvanchakhadze. Since 1996 Head of the department is Professor Nino Vepkhvadze. Since 1996 Department was renamed as Chair of Preventive Medicine and in 2006 - Department of Preventive medicine (Health Promotion). In 2009 two Departments were established: Department of Hygiene and Medical Ecology and Department of Health Promotion.

The main direction of the scientific work of the Department since 1996 is study of radioecological situation in Georgia, estimation of irradiation doses and hygienic assessment of health effects in population.