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The patient's expectations

Personal History of J. Walsh

- When did the disease start
- Symptoms
- Effects on daily life
- Treatment
- Expectations
- Future

Patient's Expectations from GARD

- **Health care professionals should be able to recognize CRD at an early phase and introduce early management**
- **The patient must be taken more seriously about his/her symptoms**
- **Health care systems should be structured to manage patients with chronic disease, including regular and long term follow up**

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Patient's Expectations from GARD (continued)

- **Health care systems should develop a structured patient education, information and training programs**
- **General public should become more informed of CRDs problems and take a more positive attitude toward the needs of CRD patients**
- **Societies should be more receptive to the value of environmental changes**

**Doctors and Patients
must be
Partners in Care of
CRDs.**