## Northwest Renal Dietitians (NWRD) 2018 Annual Conference Speaker Biography Chhaya Patel, MA, RDN, CSR

## "Renal Vegetarian Diet for CKD and Dialysis"

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## **BIOGRAPHY**:

Chhaya Patel has been a renal dietitian for more than 35 years and is a certified renal specialist. She has been with DaVita for more than 20 years and currently is a divisional lead dietitian for the ORCA (Oregon and California) division at DaVita and a nutrition services project manager. For many years, Ms. Patel has been a member of and has held numerous positions in the National Kidney Foundation Council on Renal Nutrition (CRN) and the Renal Practice Group of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND). She was awarded the Recognized Renal Dietitian award in 2012 by CRN and was recognized as the DaVita Shining Star Dietitian in 2011. Her published work includes Cultural Foods and Renal Diets, a clinical guide for patients and dietitians. She has presented extensively on the vegetarian renal diet.

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