Supplementary Table: characteristics of responders and non-responders to MSAS and QOL
surveys.

			Not returned		
Variable	Value label	returned MSAS	MSAS	total	p-value
Sex					0.2499
	Male	136 (65.7%)	121 (60.2%)	257 (63.0%)	
	Female	71 (34.3%)	80 (39.8%)	151 (37.0%)	
	total	(n= 207)	(n= 201)	(n= 408)	
Any diabetic					0.6142
	No	103 (49.8%)	95 (47.3%)	198 (48.5%)	
	Yes	104 (50.2%)	106 (52.7%)	210 (51.5%)	
	total	(n= 207)	(n= 201)	(n= 408)	
Any dementia					0.7481
	No	200 (96.6%)	193 (96.0%)	393 (96.3%)	
	Yes	7 ( 3.4%)	8 ( 4.0%)	15 ( 3.7%)	
	total	(n= 207)	(n= 201)	(n= 408)	
Co-morbidities group					0.5694
	no comorb or 1 comorb	116 (56.0%)	107 (53.2%)	223 (54.7%)	
	2 or more comorb	91 (44.0%)	94 (46.8%)	185 (45.3%)	
	total	(n= 207)	(n= 201)	(n= 408)	
Smoke groups		, ,	, ,	, ,	0.7461
3 ,	non	135 (65.2%)	124 (61.7%)	259 (63.5%)	
	current	14 ( 6.8%)	14 ( 7.0%)	28 ( 6.9%)	
	former	58 (28.0%)	63 (31.3%)	121 (29.7%)	
	total	(n= 207)	(n= 201)	(n= 408)	
Nutritional status		, ,		(	0.8939
	Α	69 (59.5%)	52 (57.8%)	121 (58.7%)	
	В	45 (38.8%)	37 (41.1%)	82 (39.8%)	
	С	2 ( 1.7%)	1 ( 1.1%)	3 ( 1.5%)	
	total	(n= 116)	(n= 90)	(n= 206)	
Ethnicity	total	(11 110)	(11 00)	(11 200)	0.0597
Limiting	caucasian	177 (85.5%)	149 (74.1%)	326 (79.9%)	0.0001
	asian	15 ( 7.2%)	28 (13.9%)	43 (10.5%)	
	ABTSI	0 ( 0.0%)	1 ( 0.5%)	1 ( 0.2%)	
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	pacific	5 ( 2.4%)	9 ( 4.5%)	14 ( 3.4%)	
	arabic	10 ( 4.8%)	14 ( 7.0%)	24 ( 5.9%)	
	total	(n= 207)	(n= 201)	(n= 408)	2 2 4 2 4
Renal diagnoses					0.6121
	renal vascular disease	74 (35.7%)	78 (38.8%)	152 (37.3%)	
	DM	62 (30.0%)	68 (33.8%)	130 (31.9%)	
	PKD	8 ( 3.9%)	10 ( 5.0%)	18 ( 4.4%)	
	GN	35 (16.9%)	25 (12.4%)	60 (14.7%)	
	unknown	1 ( 0.5%)	1 ( 0.5%)	2 ( 0.5%)	