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He is the Chief Freelance Otorhinolaryngologist of the Health Ministry of the Stavropol Territory and the North Caucasus Federal District, Chairman of the Board of the Regional Association of otorhinolaryngologists of the Stavropol territory, member of the Board of the Russian Association of Otorhinolaryngologists, public duty editor of the professional publication "Medical Newspaper". Koshel V. I. has the highest qualification category in the specialties "Health organization and public health" and "Otorhinolaryngology". Under the leadership of Koshel V.I. there have been significant changes in all aspects of the SSMU. The dominant factor in the development of the University was innovation, which is based on the deep integration of scientific, clinical and educational activities. The University is an innovator in the field of modern educational technologies. The educational process takes place in multimedia classrooms, the equipment of which allows for teleconferencing and on-line training; interactive tutorials are actively used; remote access to electronic resources of libraries of the largest educational and research centers of different countries; active academic mobility of teachers and students for their integration into the world medical community and much more. A strategically important activity of the University is the development of simulation training on the basis of the Center of practical skills, which is currently one of the largest and most equipped in the region. There are several thematic clusters in its structure, providing consistent and continuous training of students in practical skills, taking into account the requirements for professional training of future specialists, professional development of doctors, as well as accreditation of specialists.

Koshel V. I. considers priority task is University research activities, which is constantly expanding and today covers a wide range of scientific areas in accordance with the prevailing interests, human potentiality, resource capabilities, state task, the needs of the North Caucasus Region, namely, regional and

territorial pathology, including the consequences of local military conflicts and terror acts. University employees regularly submitted the results of their research at International and National congresses. Scientific research is conducted within the framework of priority directions of development of medical investigations on scientific platforms: "preventive environment"; "oncology"; "cardiovascular diseases"; "microbiology"; "immunology"; "regenerative medicine"; "pharmacology"; "endocrinology"; "neurology and neuroscience"; "psychiatry and addiction"; "reproductive health"; "pediatrics". Over the past years, the University staffers have repeatedly won the Presidential Grant competition for young scientists – candidates and doctors of sciences, and research teams of the University received grant support from the Russian Science Foundation.