

Topic: Essential Medical Screening Tests and Vaccinations Offered at the Glendale Health Festival



Guests: Armond Kotikian DDS, MD, FACS and Garin Ohannessian, RN, BSN, PHNS

Armond Kotikian is a Board Certified Oral and Maxillofacial surgeon in private practice in Glendale, CA. Presently he is the secretary of the Armenian American Medical Society. He completed dental school at UCLA. He then completed a 1-year residency in Hospital Dentistry at the Long Beach Veterans Administration Hospital. Subsequently, he pursued a residency in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. He earned his MD from Wayne State School of Medicine, did two years of general surgery and completed his Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery residency at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, in 2009. He is in private practice in Glendale and holds staff privileges at Glendale Adventist Medical Center, Glendale Memorial Hospital and Providence St. Joseph Medical Center. Dr. Kotikian is also an Assistant Professor at USC in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Dr. Kotikian specializes in complicated dental implant cases, wisdom tooth extraction, and office anesthesia. In the hospital setting he performs facial trauma reconstruction, orthognathic surgery(corrective jaw surgery), treats obstructive sleep apnea patients, treats patients with oral pathology lesions and performs oral and maxillofacial reconstruction. Dr. Kotikian is a member of numerous organizations, including the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, California Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons and the Southern California Orofacial Academy. He routinely lectures on subjects related to his field at both the local and national level. Dr. Kotikian has been featured in the LA Times, Chicago Tribune, Glendale Newspress and many other local newspapers for his work in the field of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Dr. Kotikian has also been featured on CNN Headline News local edition, ABC 7 in LA and the Diane Sawyer nightly news on ABC.



Garin Ohannessian is a Public Health Nursing Supervisor in the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health for Service Planning Area 2 Glendale District. She has received her Bachelors of Science in Nursing from the University of Southern California. She has worked for the Los Angeles County Department of Public for over 16 years. She is in charge of control of communicable diseases to prevent outbreaks of diseases. Garin is also a member of the Speaker's Bureau. In this duty, she speaks to the community and local agencies on any Public Health Emergency and various topics to educate the public. Garin believes in the LA County Department of Public Health mission to protect health, prevent disease, and promote health and well-being. She has also been a committee member of Glendale Health

Festival for 6 years. Garin is also a member of the Armenian American Medical Society and Armenian American Nurses Association.



Vicken Sepilian, MD FACOG

"Your Health" host Dr. Vicken Sepilian is a current board member and Past President of the Armenian American Medical Society. He is board-certified in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility, as well as Obstetrics and Gynecology. He completed his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Drexel University College of Medicine in Philadelphia and his fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility at the University of Texas. Dr. Sepilian currently practices in Los Angeles and in Glendale.

Featuring physicians and health care professionals whose areas of practice cover the entire spectrum of allied health care, "Your Health" is a dynamic resource for viewers interested in improving their health. The program emphasizes the importance of preventative care, and focuses on how people can maintain a healthful lifestyle. The program provides an opportunity for the Armenian community to address their concerns with the counsel of bi-lingual health care professionals. The program also provides viewers with information about the AAMS and our activities in California and Armenia. The AAMS encourages individuals to contact local social workers to learn whether they are eligible for health insurance. AAMS doctors and nurses encourage their patients to get the insurance they deserve, and to see a physician regularly for the care that they need.