



June 2018 marks ten years for AAMS' "Your Health" Educational Program. It's a pleasure to welcome Dr. Hakop Gevorkyan on the show as he was the first guest when the program hit the airwaves back in 2008.

Topic:

Preventative Care and What Has Changed in the Past Decade

Guest:

Hakop Gevorkyan, MD

Dr. Hakop Gevorkyan earned his medical degree from USC School of Medicine in 1996 and completed his residency in Internal Medicine from White Memorial Medical Center, Los Angeles in 1999. Few years later, he obtained his Masters Degree in Business Administration. Dr. Gevorkyan has been practicing medicine in the community since 1999, initially as a hospitalist, then as a primary care provider, and later, as a research physician at California Clinical Trials Medical Group. He was one of the founders of Advance Health Medical Group, primary care practice that grew to two locations with five physicians and a nurse practitioner in Glendale/Burbank/Foothill areas. Dr. Gevorkyan also played an integral role in formation of Comcare Primary Medical Group, 14 physicians group, where he continues to serve as a board member. In 2008, Dr. Gevorkyan joined PAREXEL International affiliated California Clinical Trials Medical Group in the role of Associate Medical Director. There, he has participated as an investigator or sub-investigator in more than 150 clinical trials and has served as an author in numerous publications. At this time, he continues to work at the CCTMG as an Associated Medical Director and primary investigator on multiple phase 1 studies. Dr. Gevorkyan has also been active in the community locally and abroad. He has served as a board member of the Armenian American Medical Society from 2004-2007 and continues to be a member. He has participated in many health fairs locally. In addition, on multiple occasions, he has been involved in missionary work to Armenia, through UCLA outreach programs, providing primary care services to rural regions of the country.

"Your Health" host Dr. Vicken Sepilian 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 and his fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility at the University of Texas. While at the University of Texas, Dr. Sepilian received a Master of Science degree in Reproductive Medicine studying the impact of nutrition on reproductive health. Dr. Sepilian is the founder and medical director of American Fertility Specialists Medical Group and practices

in Los Angeles and Glendale. Dr. Sepilian is a current board member and former President of the Armenian American Medical Society (AAMS). In 2008, he launched the AAMS "Your Health" Community Education Program that continues to air live on TV making house calls to countless Armenian households. In 2010, Dr. Sepilian was instrumental in launching the inaugural Glendale Health Festival and served as the Chairman of the organizing committee for the first two years. In 2012, Dr. Sepilian presided over a collaborative effort with colleagues in Canada of the ACMAO to train, staff and equip the Women's Health Clinic in Stepanakert, Artsakh. This collaborative effort by the AAMS, ACMAO, and the Ministry of Health of Karabagh continues to operate and provide preventative and essential health care to women free of charge. In 2013, as president of the AAMS, Dr. Sepilian Chaired the 11th Armenian Medical World Congress, a quadrennial international multispecialty conference that was very well attended and was one of the most successful ones to date. Dr. Sepilian currently serves on the Continuing Medical Education Committee, focusing his efforts on enhancing the experience for members.

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 bilingual 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.