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Discussions with Yerevan State Medical University Rector on the State of Medical Education in Armenia

Guest:

Armen A. Muradyan, MD Rector of Mkhitar Heratsi Yerevan State Medical University

Professor Armen A. Muradyan, is the Dean-Rector of Yerevan State Medical University(YSMU) after Mkhitar Heratsi. Professor Muradyan is a Graduate of YSMU and a YSMU Gold Medal winner. He completed his Postgraduate at the Department of Surgery N2 at YSMU, Urology, and received his PhD from the YSMU Department of Oncology and Radiation Therapy in Yerevan, Armenia. His Dissertation was on "Prostate Precancerous Condition and Cancer Prediction Issues". He is a graduate of the Health Management School at the American University of Armenia's "Health Management and Management" program "Health Economics, Financial Management and Marketing". He studied in Stockholm, Sweden, at the In Develop Uppsala AB Higher Education International Healthcare Development Program. He has worked as a doctor-urologist at the Urological Department of the Armenia Republican Medical Center. He has served as Head Chair of Urology at YSMU and Head of the Urological Clinic of "Armenia" Republican Medical Center. From 2004 - 2006 he was Advisor to the Minister of Health of the Republic of Armenia and appointed Chief urologist of RA Ministry of Healthcare in 2006. From 2005 - 2011 served as a professor in faculty at YSMU. From 2008-2012 he served as First Deputy Director of the National Center of Oncology of the National Academy of Medical Sciences after VF Fanariyan. From 2009 - 2013 served as President of the Armenian Urological Association. From 2012 -2014 he was

Executive Director of "Izmirlian" Medical Center. on April 23, 2014 By the decree of the RA President he was appointed Minister of Health-care of Armenia until resigning in November of 2016 to be Rector of YSMU. He is the author of two monographs and more than 70 scientific works.

"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 the 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.