



## **Cancer Prevention in Primary Care: Updates on Cervical, Breast and Colon Cancer Screening**

### **Interview with Arthur Ohannessian, MD**

Dr. Arthur Ohannessian obtained his medical degree in 2008 from the UCSD School of Medicine. He completed his specialty training in Family Medicine at the UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine in 2011. He is currently the Associate Medical Director for Family and Women's services for the San Fernando Valley Health Center Group, where he supervises multiple Los Angeles County Department Health Services Ambulatory Health Centers in the San Fernando Valley. He is also an Associate Professor in the UCLA Department of Family Medicine and is a full-time clinician and educator who serves adult, pediatric, and prenatal patients. He is an active member of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) and has served in multiple leadership roles at the local, state, and national levels. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for the California Academy of Family Physicians and is a past President of the Los Angeles Academy of Family Physicians. His academic interests include providing primary care services to underserved communities and developing legislative policy that addresses the health needs of all Californians.

Dr. Vicken Sepilian is a Reproductive Medicine specialist and is the founder and director of American Fertility Specialists Medical Group. He is double board-certified in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility, as well as Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. Sepilian has been an active member of the Armenian American Medical Society (AAMS) holding multiple leadership positions, including serving as the President from 2009 to 2013. Dr. Sepilian served as the Chairman of the 11th Armenian Medical World Congress and currently is the President of the Armenian Medical International Congress (AMIC), a nonprofit organization with chapters all over the world, with the aim of coordinating global efforts in improving healthcare in Armenia. Passionate about community education, in 2008, Dr. Sepilian launched the "Your Health" educational TV program aimed at sharing with the community the latest and most important healthcare topics. Since 2008, the show has been making house calls to tens of thousands of viewers helping educate them on preventative care and healthy lifestyles. In 2010, Dr. Sepilian, alongside other civic leaders and the former Mayor of the City of Glendale co-founded the Glendale Health Festival. Dr. Sepilian worked closely with city and state officials and local hospitals to organize this large-scale event with the aim to improve the health of the community. Dr. Sepilian is a strong believer that success and wealth are measured by life's experiences and human interactions and that true happiness and purpose are achieved by giving. Cherished memories include debates about life and

death with Dr. Jack Kevorkian, delivering pens to students in villages in Sri Lanka and teaching chess to orphans in Nepal.