



Hyperlipidemia, Diagnosis and Treatment

Interview with Samvel Hmayakyan, MD

Dr. Samvel Hmayakyan received his medical degree from Yerevan State Medical University with honors. After graduation, he completed his training in OB/GYN in Kharkov, Ukraine, and then worked as Chair of the OB/GYN Department in Yeghegnadzor, Armenia. After relocation to the United States, he completed his residency in Family Medicine at Texas Tech University Health Science Center in Odessa, Texas. During the last year of his training, he served as a Chief Resident. Dr. Hmayakyan is currently in private practice in Glendale, California. He is Board Certified in Family Medicine and Hospice and Palliative Medicine.

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.