

Maral Hindoyan

Mrs. Maral Hindoyan, the youngest of three from immigrant parents, was born and raised in Glendale, California. At a young age, her crooked smile, caused by a missed jump shot from her older brother, was her first introduction to the dental world and has driven her passion and fascination with oral health. To jump start her bid to provide healthy, beautiful smiles for the masses, Mrs. Hindoyan earned her bachelor's degree in Biological Psychology from the University of California Santa Barbara, and later, a second bachelor's degree in Dental Hygiene from the University of Southern California.

Along the way, she had the opportunity to participate in mission trips to Honduras, Mexico, and Armenia with the Global Dental Brigades, AYUDA, and Birthright Armenia, respectively. There, she screened and provided oral seminars to school aged children. She realized then that there was a common thread, unifying all experiences; the overall lack of education, access, and stigma in the medical field. This was her ultimate driving force to promote prevention and education.

She sought out other ways to expand her scope of practice and found the Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice program which would give her the skill set needed to provide care to those patients overcoming an array of obstacles to receive sufficient care. She is in the process of completing that certification this year.

Mrs. Hindoyan would like to promote changes in her community and eventually in her homeland, Armenia. Her goal is to work with and for the World Health Organization, initiate oral consciousness, and provide education for professionals and the general population alike.

In her free time, Mrs. Hindoyan has been a member of a worldwide non-profit Armenian athletic and scouting organization known as Homenetmen. She has been a girl scout leader for 15 years and left the ranks at the end of 2019. Prior to the pandemic, she began the Wood Badge program, and completed all five projects during the height of COVID. Today, she is a member of the Executive Body of the Homenetmen Los Angeles chapter. Mrs. Hindoyan married her long time boyfriend during the pandemic and they welcomed their new puppy to the family, a maltipoo named Pambag.