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**Biosketch:**

Dr. Der Simonian serves as Assistant Clinical Professor in both the departments of Family and Community Medicine and Obstetrics and Gynecology at UCSF. She is the reproductive health faculty lead for the Family Medicine Residency program, and serves as Director of the TEACH Program which provides curriculum development, professional advocacy, and training support in reproductive health for family medicine residents. Her research interests include contraceptive access and adherence, long acting reversible contraception, increasing abortion access/miscarriage management internationally, as well as reproductive health training in primary care.

She is a member of National Abortion Federation and Physicians for Reproductive Health (formerly known as PRCH) as well as a member of the Academy of Family Physicians. She is a graduate of the Leadership Training Academy through Physicians for Reproductive Health and is active in bay area reproductive rights advocacy. Dr. Der Simonian completed medical school at the University of Vermont and residency training at UCSF in Family and Community Medicine. She completed a fellowship in Reproductive Health at the Beth Israel Family Medicine Residency Program in New York City.

**Areas of Interest:**

- Contraceptive access and adherence
- Long-acting reversible contraceptive methods
- Reproductive health training in primary care specialties/residencies
- Increasing global access to safe miscarriage management and abortion care

**Ongoing Research Projects:**

Title: Most Effective and Most Expensive Contraception: Emphasizing Characteristics of Long Acting Reversible Contraception

PIs: Drs. Der Simonian and Harper

Title: IUD compared to Oral Medication for Emergency Contraception: A study of patient choice, satisfaction and clinic implementation

PIs: Drs. Kerns and Der Simonian

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