Tara Chang, MD, MS is a board-certified nephrologist who enjoys taking care of patients with all types of kidney diseases. She is also a certified Hypertension Specialist, and has a particular interest in treating patients with high blood pressure. In addition to her patient care duties, Dr. Chang maintains an active clinical research program, which focuses on studying cardiovascular disease in patients with chronic kidney disease. She has received grant funding from the National Institutes of Health and the American Heart Association.

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**Clinical Focus**
- Nephrology
- Hypertension
- Chronic kidney disease
- Dialysis

**Academic Appointments**
- Assistant Professor - Med Center Line, Medicine - Nephrology
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CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS
As a board-certified nephrologist, I see first-hand the pervasiveness of cardiovascular disease in patients with chronic kidney disease (CKD). As a trained epidemiologist and clinical researcher, I also see the lack of evidence available to guide treatment decision-making in CKD. Motivated by these evidence gaps, my research seeks to clarify questions about cardiovascular care in patients with CKD. My research specifically focuses on issues such as blood pressure control, coronary revascularization, and the comparative effectiveness of cardioprotective medications in patients with CKD, with the long-term goal of improving outcomes in these high-risk patients.

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