UC San Diego Health Physician Directory

Our physicians are recognized leaders in their professional societies, heading national organizations and committees dedicated to improving care and advancing knowledge about disease. They are prominently listed in publications such as America’s Top Doctors and *U.S. News & World Report*’s rankings of outstanding physicians and clinical programs.

Patient Access

Request an Appointment
Whether you’re looking for a primary care physician (PCP), need a specialist for treatment or are seeking a second opinion, you can make an appointment by following the steps below:

→ **New Patients** *(who have never seen a UC San Diego Health provider)*
   To register as a new patient and schedule an appointment, call 800-926-8273, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

→ **Current Patients**
   Contact your physician’s office directly to schedule an appointment or call the main switchboard number, 858-657-7000, and ask to be transferred to your physician’s office.

→ **Find a Doctor**
   To use our physician search website to find a physician by name or to search for a specialist, visit: doctors.ucsd.edu.

Referring Physician Access

Transfer a Patient
For hospital-to-hospital transfers, call 619-543-5709 (24-hour service) for instructions or to speak to a transfer coordinator.

Consultations
If you need to talk with one of our physicians about a case or if you have any problems or concerns, please contact us at 855-543-0555 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. We want to hear from you.

Refer Your Patient
Call Physician Access at 855-543-0555 or fax 888-539-8781 and our team will register and schedule your referred patient. You will receive follow-up communication (consultation notes, discharges, etc.), as well as access to our electronic medical record system, UCSD Link.
Locations

La Jolla
4510 and 4520 Executive Drive
San Diego, CA 92121
8910 Villa La Jolla Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037
8899 and 8929 University Center Lane
San Diego, CA 92122
8939 Villa La Jolla Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037
9333 Genesee Avenue
San Diego, CA 92121
8950 Villa La Jolla Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037
9350 Campus Point Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037
Shiley Eye Institute
9415 Campus Point Drive
La Jolla, CA 92093
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
9434 Medical Center Drive
La Jolla, CA 92093
Moores Cancer Center
3855 Health Sciences Drive
La Jolla, CA 92093
Jacobs Medical Center
9300 Campus Point Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037

Hillcrest
4th and Lewis Medical Offices
330 Lewis Street
San Diego, CA 92103
Medical Offices North
200 West Arbor Drive
San Diego, CA 92103
Medical Offices South
4168 Front Street
San Diego, CA 92103
UC San Diego Medical Center
200 West Arbor Drive
San Diego, CA 92103

Encinitas
1200 Garden View Road
Encinitas, CA 92024
477 North El Camino Real
Encinitas, CA 92024

Vista
910 Sycamore Avenue
Vista, CA 92081

Scripps Ranch
9909 Mira Mesa Blvd.
San Diego, CA 92131

Kearny Mesa
7910 Frost Street
San Diego, CA 92123
Rady Children’s Hospital-San Diego
3020 Children’s Way
San Diego, CA 92123
Chula Vista
959 Lane Avenue
Chula Vista, CA 91914
Temecula
31720 Temecula Parkway
Temecula, CA 92952
Sorrento Valley
4910 Directors Place
San Diego, CA 92121
Locations

1. Jacobs Medical Center
2. Moores Cancer Center
3. Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
4. UC San Diego Medical Center

Clinic Locations

1. Rady Children’s Hospital–San Diego
2. Veterans Affairs
   San Diego Healthcare System

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- Temecula
- Vista
- Encinitas
- Scripps Ranch
- Sorrento Valley
- La Jolla
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Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT

A blood and marrow transplant (BMT) is an infusion of adult stem cells — a BMT is used to replace bone marrow that has been destroyed by disease, chemotherapy or radiation. Learn more about blood and marrow transplant at UC San Diego Health.

Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Languages:
German, Greek

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
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Bio:
Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including lymphoma, myeloma, leukemia, myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) and myeloproliferative neoplasms (MPN). He is a transplant physician for the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides comprehensive blood and marrow transplant services, including autologous and allogeneic stem cell transplantation.
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Cancer - Urologic Cancer

Karim Kader, MD, PhD
Urologist
Professor of Urology
Specialties:
Urology, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer
Add'l Languages:
French, Greek
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7876
Bio:
Karim Kader, MD, PhD, is a board-certified urologist who specializes in detecting, treating and preventing prostate cancer.

Cardiology - Interventional Cardiology

Sotirios Tsimikas, MD
Director of Vascular Medicine
Professor of Medicine
Specialty:
Cardiology
Subspecialty:
Interventional Cardiology
Add'l Language:
Greek
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
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New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8530
Bio:
UC San Diego Health Links
Hematology/Blood Diseases

Hematology (the study of “blood diseases”) is the branch of internal medicine that is concerned with the study of blood, blood-forming organs, and blood diseases. Learn more about [hematology/blood diseases](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health.

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Perinatologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

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Obstetrics & Gynecology

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Bio:
Jerry Ballas, MD, MPH, is a board-certified perinatologist who cares for women with high-risk pregnancies. As a maternal-fetal medicine specialist, he treats expectant mothers who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health complications.
Demosthenes Papamatheakis, MD
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Pulmonary (Lung)

**Subspecialties:**
Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Critical Care

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Demosthenes (Demos) Papamatheakis, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist and intensive care specialist. His clinical interests include pulmonary vascular disease, with a focus in pulmonary arterial hypertension, and critical care medicine. Dr. Papamatheakis also sees patients for adult pulmonary diseases such as chronic bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma.
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