UC San Diego Health Physician Directory

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# 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

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Allergy & Immunology

Allergy and Immunology is the medical specialty concerned with allergies and disorders of the immune system. Learn more about allergy and immunology at UC San Diego Health System.

Bruce Zuraw, MD
Allergist, Immunologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Allergy & Immunology

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273

Bio:
Bruce Zuraw, MD, is a board-certified physician who specializes in angioedema, urticaria, allergic and non-allergic rhinitis, allergen immunotherapy, anaphylaxis, and sinusitis. Dr. Zuraw directs the US HAEA Angioedema Center at UC San Diego Health.
Allergy & Immunology - Asthma

Sandra C. Christiansen, MD
Allergist/Immunologist
Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Allergy & Immunology

**Subspecialty:**
Asthma

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-5350

**Bio:**
Sandra C. Christiansen, MD, is a board-certified allergist/immunologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating angioedema and allergic airway disease. Dr. Christiansen is an internationally respected allergy and angioedema expert and cares for people with various medical conditions related to the immune system. These include respiratory tract diseases (e.g. sinusitis and asthma), allergic conditions of the skin (e.g. atopic dermatitis) and food and medication sensitivity.

Marc A. Riedl, MD
Allergist/Immunologist
Clinical Director, Angioedema Center
Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Allergy & Immunology

**Subspecialty:**
Asthma

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-5350

**Bio:**
Marc A. Riedl, MD, is a board-certified allergist/immunologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating angioedema, immune deficiency diseases, asthma, anaphylaxis, food and medication sensitivity, and other related conditions. Dr. Riedl is the clinical director of UC San Diego Health's U.S. HAEA Angioedema Center, which offers comprehensive evaluations and treatment options for people with all forms of angioedema.
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery - Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

Stuart W. Jamieson, MB, FRCS, FACS, FACC, FACCP
Dean, Cardiovascular Affairs
Endowed Chair and Distinguished Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7777

Bio:
Stuart W. Jamieson, MB, is a cardiothoracic surgeon and expert in pulmonary thromboendarterectomy. He is one of the founding members of Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center at UC San Diego Health and is known throughout the world for his ground-breaking research and surgical innovations.

Michael M Madani, MD, FACS
Division Chief, Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery
Executive Director, Surgery - Cardiovascular Institute
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cardiology, Transplantation, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Heart Transplantation, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Heart Failure

Add'l Language:
Persian

Jacobs Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7777

Bio:
Michael Madani, MD, is a board-certified cardiovascular surgeon who oversees a variety of surgical services at UC San Diego Health, including surgical treatment for heart failure, lung transplantation and pulmonary thromboendarterectomy (PTE). He is also an expert in minimally invasive heart surgery, mitral valve repair and off-pump bypass surgery.
Dermatology

Dermatology is the branch of medicine which studies and treats a variety of skin disorders and diseases. Learn more about dermatology at UC San Diego Health System.

Anna Di Nardo, MD, PhD
Dermatologist
Associate Professor of Dermatology

Specialty:
Dermatology
Add'l Language:
Italian
La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

Bio:
Anna Di Nardo, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist who oversees the High Risk Pigmented Lesion Clinic. She also specializes in mole mapping and digital dermoscopy to detect early-stage melanoma.

Tissa Hata, MD
Dermatologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Dermatology
La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

Bio:
Tissa Hata, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist and clinical service chief and director of the UC San Diego Dermatology Clinical Trials Unit.

Robert A. Dorschner, MD, FAAD
Dermatologist

Specialty:
Dermatology
La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

Bio:
Robert Dorschner, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist who diagnoses and cares for adult general dermatology patients and performs minor surgeries. He treats all medical dermatologic conditions, from skin cancer to rashes, acne and warts.

Charisse Orme, MD, PhD
Dermatologist
Assistant Professor of Dermatology

Specialty:
Dermatology
La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

Bio:
Charisse Orme, MD, PhD, is a board-certified dermatologist who specializes in general dermatology as well as treating complex conditions such as medication reactions in the skin, cutaneous vasculitis, skin manifestations of graft-versus-host-disease (GVHD), cutaneous lymphoma, pyoderma gangrenosum, pemphigoid, pemphigus, morphea, lichen planus, lichen sclerosis, and cutaneous connective tissue disease.
Dermatology (cont.)

Arisa Ortiz, MD, FAAD
Dermatologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:** Dermatology

**La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

**Bio:**
Arisa Ortiz, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist and director of laser and cosmetic dermatology at UC San Diego Health. She specializes in the latest noninvasive procedures, including laser skin resurfacing, dermal filler and toxin injections, body contouring, skin tightening, and the treatment of scars.

Jeremy A. Schneider, MD
Dermatologist
Assistant Professor of Dermatology

**Specialty:** Dermatology

**La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

**Bio:**
Jeremy Schneider, MD, is a dermatologist who sees general medical dermatology patients. He also has a special interest in inpatient dermatology and directs the inpatient consultation service, staffing inpatient consultations with dermatology residents.

Taraneh Paravar, MD
Dermatologist
Associate Professor of Dermatology

**Specialty:** Dermatology

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**

**La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

**Bio:**
Taraneh Paravar, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist who cares for all patients in the general dermatology clinic and also focuses on complex medical dermatology. This includes treating patients with autoimmune blistering disorders, graft-versus-host disease of the skin, dermatologic complications of cancer therapy, and rheumatologic diseases of the skin such as cutaneous lupus, dermatomyositis, scleroderma, morphea, and cutaneous vasculitis.

Daniel Woodson Shaw, MD
Dermatologist
Associate Professor of Dermatology

**Specialty:** Dermatology

**La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

**Bio:**
Daniel Woodson Shaw, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist who sees patients for contact dermatitis consultations and patch testing, generally only at the request of another dermatologist or allergist.
Bryan K. Sun, MD, PhD
Dermatologist
Assistant Professor of Dermatology

Specialty:
Dermatology

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

Bio:
Bryan Sun, MD, PhD, is a board-certified dermatologist who treats a variety of skin conditions, including eczema, psoriasis and acne. He also performs skin screening for skin cancer. He has a special interest in genetic skin diseases and genetic syndromes with skin manifestations.

Daniel R. Synkowski, MD
Dermatologist
Associate Professor of Dermatology

Specialty:
Dermatology

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

Bio:
Daniel Synkowski, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist who sees adult patients with general dermatology needs and performs minor surgery.

Wynnis Tom, MD
Dermatologist
Associate Professor of Dermatology

Specialty:
Dermatology

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Wynnis Tom, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist who specializes in chronic inflammatory skin conditions and caring for patients whose disease requires systemic medicines.
Dermatology - Dermatopathology

Brian Hinds, MD
Dermatologist
Assistant Professor of Dermatology

Specialty:
Dermatology
Subspecialty:
Dermatopathology

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

Bio:
Brian Hinds, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist and dermatopathologist who specializes in the study of skin under the microscope and treats dermatology patients with a focus on conditions such as acne, skin infections/warts, psoriasis, eczema, and skin cancers. He also treats chronic skin conditions with internal manifestations, such as lupus erythematosus, dermatomyositis, and sarcoidosis, among other complex or recalcitrant skin diseases.

Amanda F. Marsch, MD
Dermatologist
Assistant Professor of Dermatology

Specialty:
Dermatology
Subspecialty:
Dermatopathology

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane
Scripps Ranch - Mira Mesa Blvd

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8322
Direct Clinic Line - Scripps Ranch: (858) 657-7750

Bio:
Amanda Marsch, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist with expertise in general dermatology as well as complex conditions such as medication reactions in the skin, cutaneous vasculitis, skin manifestations of graft-versus-host disease (GVHD), HIV-related skin changes, cutaneous lymphoma, pyoderma gangrenosum, pemphigoid, pemphigus, morphea, lichen planus, lichen sclerosis, hidradenitis suppurativa, and cutaneous connective tissue disease.
Dermatology - Mohs & Reconstructive Surgery

Shang I Brian Jiang, MD
Professor of Dermatology
Director, Dermatologic and Mohs Micrographic Surgery

Specialty:
Dermatology

Subspecialty:
Mohs & Reconstructive Surgery

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8322

Bio:
S. Brian Jiang, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist and director of
dermatologic and Mohs micrographic surgery at UC San Diego Health. Mohs
surgery, a type of precise surgical technique, is used to remove basal cell
carcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma, the two most common skin
cancers. In addition to Mohs surgery, Dr. Jiang's expertise includes
reconstructive surgery and cosmetic dermatology and laser procedures.
Neurology

Neurology is the branch of medicine that is concerned with the study and treatment of disorders of the nervous system. Learn more about neurology at UC San Diego Health System.

Ronald Joseph Ellis, MD, PhD
Neurologist
Professor of Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurology, HIV/AIDS

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3500
Direct Clinic Line - Owen Clinic: (619) 543-3995

Bio:
Ronald J. Ellis, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in adult neurological diagnosis and treatment for patients with HIV or AIDS. He is the only specialist in the neurology of HIV/AIDS in the San Diego area and also receives referrals from throughout California.

Douglas Galasko, MD
Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Bio:
Dr. Galasko is board-certified in neurology, with special expertise in memory disorders, Alzheimer's diseases, and unusual neurological conditions such as dementia with Lewy bodies and frontotemporal dementia.

Sean J. Evans, MD
Neurology Core Clerkship Director
Associate Clinical Professor
Mind, Brain, and Behavior Co-Director
Neurosciences Education Committee Chair

Specialty:
Neurology

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Bio:
Dr. Evans is a general clinical neurologist with broad experience in the clinical and electrophysiologic diagnosis and care of patients with neurologic disorders. He is the Director of the Neurology Core Clinical Clerkship, Co-Director of the Mind, Brain, and Behavior Core Course, and Director of the UC San Diego Medical Center Urgent Neurology clinic.

Jeffrey H. Gertsch, MD
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Bio:
Dr. Gertsch is a specialist in adult neurological diagnosis and treatment for patients with HIV or AIDS. He is the only specialist in the neurology of HIV/AIDS in the San Diego area and also receives referrals from throughout California.
Neurology (cont.)

Jennifer Graves, MD, PhD
Neurologist
Associate Professor of Neurosciences

**Specialty:**
Neurology

**La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

**Bio:**
Jennifer Graves, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who treats adults and children. She partners with patients, families and the multiple sclerosis clinical team to provide comprehensive care for people of all ages. Specialty care tracks are offered for children and pregnant women with multiple sclerosis.

Vicente Iragui-Madoz, MD, PhD
Director, Clinical Neurophysiology and UCSD Epilepsy Center
Professor

**Specialty:**
Neurology

**La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

**Bio:**
UC San Diego Health Links

Revere (Rip) Kinkel, MD
Neurologist
Professor of Neurosciences

**Specialty:**
Neurology

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3500

**Bio:**
Revere (Rip) Kinkel, MD, is a board-certified, internationally recognized neurologist and multiple sclerosis (MS) expert. He is devoted to improving the diagnosis and care for people with MS and related disorders such as transverse myelitis; optic neuritis; neuromyelitis optica; autoimmune encephalitis; and systemic immune disorders that affect the central nervous system, including sarcoidosis and lupus. Dr. Kinkel directs the multiple sclerosis program at UC San Diego Health and leads the program's clinical, research, and educational efforts within the Department of Neurosciences.

Chamindra Konersman, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

**Specialty:**
Neurology

**La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

**Bio:**
Chamindra Konersman, MD, is a board-certified neurologist at UC San Diego Health. She provides general neurological care to people with a range of neurologic conditions, with an emphasis on neuromuscular diseases. She sees patients with conditions including, inclusion body myositis, Guillain-Barre syndrome, myasthenia gravis, Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease, periodic paralysis, and all muscular dystrophies.
Neurology (cont.)

Stuart Lipton, MD, PhD  
Neurologist  
Adjunct Professor of Neurosciences  

Specialty:  
Neurology  

Add'l Language:  
Spanish  

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North  
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540  

Bio:  
Stuart Lipton, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in neurodegenerative diseases. A neuroscientist and world-renowned expert in dementia, Dr. Lipton is best known for developing the FDA-approved memantine (Namenda®, NamendaXR®, Namzaric®), the first drug in a novel class of medications used to treat moderate-to-severe Alzheimer’s disease.

Michael Rafii, MD, PhD  
Director, Adult Down Syndrome Clinic  
Associate Professor of Neurosciences  

Specialty:  
Neurology  

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540  

Bio:  
Michael Rafii, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), motor neuron diseases, neuromuscular disorders, and clinical neurophysiology. Dr. Ravits is the director of the ALS clinic at UC San Diego Health and vice chair of adult neurology and the neurological sciences.

John Ravits, MD  
Neurologist  
Professor of Clinical Neurosciences  

Specialty:  
Neurology  

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540  

Bio:  
John Ravits, MD, is a board certified clinical neurologist specializing in amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), motor neuron diseases, neuromuscular disorders, and clinical neurophysiology. Dr. Ravits is the director of the ALS clinic at UC San Diego Health and vice chair of adult neurology and the neurological sciences.

Evelyn Tecoma, MD, PhD  
Chief of Neurology, Thornton Hospital  
Professor  

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540  

Bio:  
In 1991, Dr. Tecoma was recruited to serve as Associate Director of the UC San Diego Epilepsy Center, a busy tertiary referral center, epilepsy monitoring unit, and comprehensive epilepsy surgery program.
Neurology (cont.)

Erik S. Viirre, MD, PHD
Professor (Adjunct)

Specialty:
Neurology

Add'l Language:
French

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273

Bio:
Dr. Viirre specializes in neurotology (diagnosis and outpatient treatment of vertigo, balance disorders, and tinnitus). He has been with the UC San Diego Department of Neurosciences since 2006 and the Department of Surgery, Division of Head and Neck Surgery since 1998. A member of numerous scientific boards, Dr. Viirre is also an Research Professor in the UC San Diego Department of Cognitive Science and a research associate of the US Navy Naval Medical Center San Diego.
Neurology - Dementia

Jody Corey-Bloom, MD, PhD
Professor Emeritus of Neurosciences
Neurologist

Specialty:
Neurology

Subspeciality:
Dementia

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 246-1288

Bio:
Jody Corey-Bloom, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in dementia and neurodegenerative conditions associated with Alzheimer’s disease, Huntington’s disease and multiple sclerosis. She has more than 20 years of experience treating multiple sclerosis and has cared for individuals with the most difficult cases and those with limited means.

Shauna Yuan, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor

Specialty:
Neurology

Subspeciality:
Dementia

Add'l Language:
Mandarin

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
Shauna Yuan, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in caring for patients with memory disorders and dementia, including Alzheimer’s disease, Frontotemporal dementia, Lewy body dementia and Parkinson’s dementia.

Gabriel Léger, MD
Neurologist

Specialty:
Neurology

Subspeciality:
Dementia

Add'l Language:
French

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
Gabriel Léger, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in Alzheimer’s disease and related disorders. He has expertise in the diagnosis and treatment of atypical or focal dementias, including frontotemporal dementia (FTD), primary progressive aphasia, posterior cortical atrophy, and dementia with Lewy bodies including Parkinson’s disease dementia.
Neurology - Epilepsy

Leena Raj Kansal, MD
Neurologist
Associate Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Epilepsy
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3500

Bio:
Leena Kansal, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in epilepsy. Her care focuses on the evaluation and treatment people with recurrent seizures and seizure disorders.

David J. Lee, MD, PhD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Epilepsy
Add'l Language:
Korean

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8540
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-3500

Bio:
David J. Lee, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who treats seizures and epilepsy, including epilepsy that does not respond to medication.

Jerry J. Shih, MD
Director, Epilepsy Center
Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Epilepsy
Add'l Language:
Mandarin

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
Jerry Shih, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating people with epilepsy. He directs UC San Diego Health's Level 4 Epilepsy Center, which provides the highest level of care to people with epilepsy and other seizure disorders, and is the only nationally designated epilepsy center in the region. The Comprehensive Epilepsy Program offers state-of-the-art neurodiagnostic monitoring and neuroimaging for diagnosing complex epilepsy conditions, and advanced medical and surgical treatment options. Dr. Shih's expertise also includes managing the care of patients with refractory epilepsy, or seizures that are not controlled with medications.
Neurology - Epilepsy (cont.)

June Yoshii-Contreras, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Epilepsy
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8540
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-3500

Bio:
June Yoshii-Contreras, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating people with epilepsy. She takes a holistic approach in helping patients deal with the challenges that are common in the epilepsy population in order to improve their overall quality of life. Her clinical interests involve treating complex epilepsy patients with medications, surgery and implanted neuro-stimulation devices.
Neurology - Headache

Hossein Ansari, MD  
Neurologist

Specialty:  
Neurology

Subspecialty:  
Headache

Add'l Languages:  
Farsi, Turkish/Azeri

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:  
Hossein Ansari, MD, is a board-certified neurologist and certified headache specialist who specializes in diagnosing and treating headaches and facial pain. He is highly experienced in caring for people with migraines, "cluster" headaches and trigeminal neuralgia.

Suzan Khoromi, MD  
Neurologist

Specialty:  
Neurology

Subspecialty:  
Headache

Add'l Languages:  
French, Persian, Spanish

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North  
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
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Bio:  
Suzan Khoromi, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in treating migraines, headaches and neurologic pain conditions.

Imanuel Lerman, MD  
Pain Management Specialist  
Associate Professor of Anesthesiology

Specialties:  
Pain Management, Neurology

Subspecialty:  
Headache

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Bio:  
Imanuel Lerman, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in pain management. As a pain management specialist, Dr. Lerman evaluates, diagnoses and treats all forms of pain, including acute, chronic and cancer pain. He has extensive experience in ultrasound guidance for interventional pain procedures and interventional headache treatment, teaching and speaking nationally on these subjects.
Neurology - Headache (cont.)

Sara S. Siavoshi, DO
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurology

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Headache
Add'l Language:
Farsi

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Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

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Bio:
Sara Siavoshi, DO, is a board-certified neurologist who treats headaches, migraines, traumatic brain injury and general neurological conditions. She performs procedures such as Botox injections, nerve blocks and trigger point injections. In addition, her research interests include migraines and facial pain.
Neurology - Movement Disorders

Stephanie Lessig, MD
Neurologist
Associate Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Movement Disorders

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Bio:
Stephanie Lessig, MD, is a board-certified neurologist with UC San Diego Health and the VA San Diego Healthcare System. She regularly sees people with Parkinson’s disease and other movement disorders, such as dystonia and ataxia. Dr. Lessig specializes in both deep brain stimulation and the administration of botulinum toxin.

Irene Litvan, MD
Neurologist
Director, Movement Disorders Center
Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Movement Disorders
Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Bio:
Irene Litvan, MD, is a board-certified neurologist and director of the Parkinson and Other Movement Disorders Center at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Litvan treats and diagnoses individuals with Parkinson’s disease, progressive supranuclear palsy, dementia with Lewy bodies, corticobasal degeneration, multiple system atrophy, Huntington's disease, essential tremor, and frontotemporal dementias.
Neurology - Movement Disorders (cont.)

Fatta Nahab, MD  
Neurologist  
Associate Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:  
Neurology

Subspecialty:  
Movement Disorders

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Bio:  
Fatta Nahab, MD, is a board-certified neurologist and director of the neuroimaging program at UC San Diego Health's Movement Disorder Center. Dr. Nahab specializes in neurological movement disorders and their causes, and diagnoses and treats people with essential tremor, Parkinson’s disease and atypical parkinsonism, ataxia, and dystonia. He also provides treatment for people with symptoms such as myoclonus, walking problems and imbalance.

Brenton A. Wright, MD  
Neurologist  
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:  
Neurology

Subspecialty:  
Movement Disorders

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Bio:  
Brenton Wright, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who treats people with movement disorders, including Parkinson’s disease, dystonia, tremor, ataxia, chorea, tics, tardive syndromes and other rare diseases.
Neurology - Neurocritical Care

Cynthia G. González, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology

Subspecialties:
Neurocritical Care, Stroke

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
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Bio:
Cynthia Gonzalez, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who takes care of patients with life-threatening neurological and neurosurgical illnesses such as massive stroke, subarachnoid hemorrhage, intracerebral hemorrhage, subdural hemorrhage, intraventricular hemorrhage, brain tumors, brain trauma, status epilepticus (severe epilepsy), nerve and muscle diseases, spinal cord disorders and the cardiopulmonary complications of brain injury.

Navaz Karanjia, MD
Medical Director, Neurointensive Care Unit
Associate Professor of Neurosciences and Anesthesiology

Specialties:
Neurology, Stroke Care

Subspecialty:
Neurocritical Care

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Bio:
Navaz Karanjia, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in caring for people with life-threatening diseases of brain, spinal cord and nerves. She is medical director of UC San Diego Health's Neurocritical Care Program and Neuro-Intensive Care Unit (ICU), which she also founded. The Neuro-ICU team provides around-the-clock expert care, seven days a week, to critically ill patients who may have severe brain injury, stroke or brain tumors, or may be recovering from a neurosurgical procedure.
Neurology - Stroke

Kunal Agrawal, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Stroke

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
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Bio:
Kunal Agrawal, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in vascular neurology and stroke treatment. He focuses on the spectrum of stroke care, including stroke prevention, acute ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke, and post-acute stroke care.

Jonathan D. Bui, MD, PhD
Neurologist
Associate Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Stroke

Add'l Languages:
Spanish, Vietnamese

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Bio:
Jonathan Bui, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in the development of magnetic resonance techniques to facilitate the diagnosis and treatment of neurological diseases. He cares for both children and adults with neurological diseases and spends the majority of his clinical time focused on neuroimaging and cerebrovascular medicine.

Cynthia G. González, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialties:
Neurocritical Care, Stroke
Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Jacobs Medical Center

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Bio:
Cynthia Gonzalez, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who takes care of patients with life-threatening neurological and neurosurgical illnesses such as massive stroke, subarachnoid hemorrhage, intracerebral hemorrhage, subdural hemorrhage, intraventricular hemorrhage, brain tumors, brain trauma, status epilepticus (severe epilepsy), nerve and muscle diseases, spinal cord disorders and the cardiopulmonary complications of brain injury.
Neurology - Stroke (cont.)

**Branko Huisa-Garate, MD**  
Vascular Neurologist  
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

**Specialty:**  
Neurology

**Subspecialty:**  
Stroke

**Add'l Language:**  
Spanish

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**Bio:**  
Branko Huisa-Garate, MD, is a board-certified vascular neurologist who specializes in treating cerebrovascular diseases such as acute ischemic stroke, cerebrovascular malformations, vascular dementia and vascular cognitive impairment.

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**Brett C Meyer, MD**  
Co-Director, UCSD Stroke Center  
Professor of Clinical Neurosciences  
Medical Director, UCSD Enterprise Telemedicine

**Specialties:**  
Neurology, Stroke Care

**Subspecialty:**  
Stroke

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**Bio:**  
Brett C. Meyer, MD, is a neurologist at UC San Diego Medical Center, Co-Director of the UC San Diego Stroke Center, and Medical Director for UC San Diego Enterprise Telemedicine. He specializes in acute cerebrovascular disease therapies and technological evaluation and treatment techniques.

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**Royya Modir, MD**  
Neurologist  
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

**Specialties:**  
Neurology, Stroke Care

**Subspecialty:**  
Stroke

**Add'l Language:**  
Spanish

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**Bio:**  
Royya Modir, MD, is a board-certified neurologist specializing in vascular neurology and the treatment of stroke. Her focus is on treatment strategies for stroke prevention and using thrombolytics for the treatment of acute stroke.
Neurology - Stroke (cont.)

Scott E. Olson, MD
Vascular Neurologist and Endovascular Neurosurgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Neurology, Stroke Care

Subspecialties:
Endovascular Neurosurgery, Stroke

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Bio:
Scott E. Olson, MD, is a board-certified vascular neurologist with additional fellowship training in interventional neuroradiology/endovascular neurosurgery. He specializes in evaluating and treating disorders of the blood vessels of the brain and spinal cord, which can lead to ischemic or hemorrhagic stroke. His expertise includes both medical and endovascular care for individuals with extra and intracranial stenoses, brain aneurysms and vascular malformations, whether congenital or acquired.
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