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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)**
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  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.

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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.

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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
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Cancer - Gynecological Cancers

Ramez N. Eskander, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers, Precision Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Vista - Sycamore Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - Vista: (760) 536-7737

Bio:
Ramez Eskander, MD, is a board-certified gynecologic oncologist who specializes in the surgical management of female reproductive system cancers, including ovarian, uterine, cervical, vulvar and vaginal cancer. His expertise includes diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, including minimally invasive (robotic) surgery, chemotherapy and novel drugs. Dr. Eskander is also experienced in clinical trial development and aims to provide individuals with access to innovative medicines during their treatment.
Cancer - Precision Medicine

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Cardiology

Cardiology is the branch of medicine specializing in the study and treatment of heart conditions. Learn more about cardiology at UC San Diego Health System.

Laith Alshawabkeh, MD
Cardiologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Cardiology
Add'l Language:
Arabic

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center: (858) 657-8530

Bio:
Laith Alshawabkeh MD, is a board-certified cardiologist who specializes in caring for adults with congenital heart disease, an abnormality in the heart that is present at birth. He leads the Adult Congenital Heart Disease Program at UC San Diego Health.
Concierge Medicine

Concierge medicine is a relationship between a patient and a physician in which the patient pays an annual fee or retainer in exchange for enhanced, personalized medical care. Learn more about concierge medicine at UC San Diego Health System.

Alma Harb, MD
Primary Care Physician for Concierge Medicine Patients

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Concierge Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, French, Spanish

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-5000

Bio:
Alma Harb, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. She provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Family Medicine

Family Medicine provides health care for all ages, genders and diseases — it is focused on knowledge of the patient in the context of family and community — stressing disease prevention and health promotion. Learn more about family medicine at UC San Diego Health System.

Esmatullah (Esmat) Hatamy, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, Farsi, Pashto, Urdu

Scripps Ranch - Mira Mesa Blvd

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750

Bio:
Esmatullah Hatamy, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Internal Medicine

Internal Medicine specializes in diagnosis, nonsurgical treatment, and preventive medicine of diseases affecting the internal organs. Learn more about internal medicine at UC San Diego Health System.

Alma Harb, MD
Primary Care Physician for Concierge Medicine Patients

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Concierge Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, French, Spanish

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

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Bio:
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Obstetrics & Gynecology - Gynecologic Oncology

Gynecologic oncology is the medical specialty focusing on cancers of the female reproductive system, including ovarian cancer, uterine cancer, vaginal cancer, cervical cancer, and vulvar cancer. Learn more about gynecologic cancers at UC San Diego Health.

Ramez N. Eskander, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers, Precision Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, Spanish

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Pathology

Pathology is the study of the nature, origin, cause and progress of a disease. Learn more about pathology at UC San Diego Health System.

Ahmed S. Shabaik, MD
Attending physician
Professor

Specialty: Pathology
Add'l Language: Arabic

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5764

Bio:
Dr. Shabaik is Clinical Professor of Pathology. He received his Medical Degree from The Cairo University Faculty of Medicine in Egypt. After finishing a year of rotating internship, Dr. Shabaik moved to the United States where he finished a year of straight surgical internship and AP/CP pathology residency training. Following residency Dr. Shabaik was a Fellow in Anatomic Pathology at St. John Mercy Medical Center in St. Louis and then a Fellow in Cytopathology at the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute of the University of South Florida in Tampa. Dr. Shabaik is certified by the American Board of Pathology in AP, CP and Cytopathology. Dr. Shabaik was Assistant Professor of Pathology at the University of South Florida before he joined UCSD in 1992.
Plastic Surgery - Cosmetic Surgery

Ahmed S. Suliman, MD
Plastic Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Plastic Surgery, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Cosmetic Surgery, Reconstructive Surgery

Additional Language:
Arabic

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 294-3746

Bio:
Ahmed Suliman, MD, is a board-certified plastic surgeon who performs a broad spectrum of aesthetic (cosmetic) and reconstructive procedures to address the effects of a medical condition or injury, or to enhance one’s appearance.
Plastic Surgery - Reconstructive Surgery

Ahmed S. Suliman, MD
Plastic Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Plastic Surgery, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Cosmetic Surgery, Reconstructive Surgery

Add'l Language:
Arabic

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La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

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Bio:
Ahmed Suliman, MD, is a board-certified plastic surgeon who performs a broad spectrum of aesthetic (cosmetic) and reconstructive procedures to address the effects of a medical condition or injury, or to enhance one's appearance.
Primary Care

Primary care is the basic level of medical care at which a patient is evaluated and treated by a nurse or physician, and if necessary, is then referred to a medical specialist. Learn more about primary care at UC San Diego Health System.

Alma Harb, MD
Primary Care Physician for Concierge Medicine Patients

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Concierge Medicine

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Arabic, French, Spanish

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Bio:
Esmatullah Hatamy, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Psychiatry

Psychiatry is the branch of medicine concerned with the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders. Learn more about psychiatry at UC San Diego Health System.

Karim Ghobrial-Sedky, MBChB
Psychiatrist

Specialty:
Psychiatry

Add'l Language:
Arabic

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Karim Ghobrial-Sedky, MBChB, is a board-certified psychiatrist whose practice includes treating depression, bipolar, anxiety and psychotic disorders in both adults and children. He also sees adults who have alcohol, drug or other substance-related addictions.

Mounir A. Soliman, MD
Psychiatrist
Assistant Vice Chancellor and Executive Director, UC San Diego Health Sciences International
Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychiatry

Add'l Language:
Arabic

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Fax: (858) 534-6205
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-6200

Bio:
Mounir A. Soliman, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist and neurologist who is an expert in developing wellness programs tailored to executives.
Pulmonology (Lung)

Pulmonology is the branch of medicine specializing in the study and science of the anatomy, physiology and pathology of the lungs. Learn more about pulmonology (lung) at UC San Diego Health System.

Hassan A. Haddadin, MD, FCCP, FAASM
Sleep Medicine Specialist

Specialties:
Sleep Medicine, Pulmonology (Lung)

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, German

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (844) 757-5337

Bio:
Hassan A. Haddadin, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist who specializes in comprehensive sleep evaluation for people with sleep apnea, insomnia, parasomnias, sleep-related movement disorders, rapid eye movement (REM) sleep behavior disorder, narcolepsy, restless legs syndrome, and other sleep disorders.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Asthma

Wael ElMaraachli, MD
Pulmonologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialties:**
Critical Care, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Asthma

**Add'l Languages:**
Arabic, Spanish

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

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

**Bio:**
Wael ElMaraachli, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist focusing on diagnosis and treatment of non-tuberculosis mycobacterial (NTM) lung infections, latent and active tuberculosis (TB) and bronchiectasis. He is also a board-certified critical care specialist and treats patients in intensive care.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

Wael ElMaraachli, MD
Pulmonologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Critical Care, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Asthma

Additional Languages:
Arabic, Spanish

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

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Pulmonology (Lung) - Critical Care

Wael ElMaraachli, MD
Pulmonologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Critical Care, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Asthma

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, Spanish

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

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Sleep Medicine

Sleep medicine is the subspecialty of internal medicine that studies and manages poor sleep hygiene. Learn more about [sleep medicine](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health System.

**Hassan A. Haddadin, MD, FCCP, FAASM**

Sleep Medicine Specialist

- **Specialties:**
  - Sleep Medicine, Pulmonology (Lung)
- **Add'l Languages:**
  - Arabic, German

**La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive**

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- Direct Clinic Line: (844) 757-5337

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Surgery

The branch of medicine that uses surgery in the treatment of disease, injury or disorders. Learn more about surgery at UC San Diego Health System.

Ahmed S. Suliman, MD
Plastic Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Plastic Surgery, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Cosmetic Surgery, Reconstructive Surgery

Add'l Language:
Arabic

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 294-3746

Bio:
Ahmed Suliman, MD, is a board-certified plastic surgeon who performs a broad spectrum of aesthetic (cosmetic) and reconstructive procedures to address the effects of a medical condition or injury, or to enhance one’s appearance.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery

Mahmoud B. Malas, MD, MHS, FACS
Vascular Surgeon
Chief of Vascular and Endovascular Surgery
Vice Chair of Surgery for Clinical Research

Specialties:
Vascular Surgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Minimally Invasive Surgery
Add'l Language:
Arabic

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8530

Bio:
Mahmoud Malas, MD, is a vascular surgeon who treats patients with conditions related to blood vessels and the lymphatic system, including carotid artery disease, thoracic and abdominal aortic aneurysm and peripheral arterial disease. He specializes in both traditional open surgery as well as minimally invasive approaches that require no incision, based on what is best for each patient.
Vascular Surgery

Vascular surgery is a specialty of medical surgery in which diseases of the vascular system, or arteries and veins, are managed by medical therapy, minimally-invasive catheter procedures, and surgical reconstruction. Learn more about vascular surgery at UC San Diego Health System.

Mahmoud B. Malas, MD, MHS, FACS
Vascular Surgeon
Chief of Vascular and Endovascular Surgery
Vice Chair of Surgery for Clinical Research

Specialties:
Vascular Surgery, Surgery

Subspecialty:
Minimally Invasive Surgery

Add'l Language:
Arabic

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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