UC San Diego Health Physician Directory

From routine doctor visits to the most advanced procedures, our doctors are here for you. Our specialty care for complex conditions — including cancer, heart disease, neurosurgery, pulmonology and more — is rated among the nation’s best by *U.S. News & World Report*. 

**For Patients**

**Make an Appointment**
Whether you need to be seen for an urgent condition today or are looking for a new primary care physician or specialty care provider, we can help. Call **800-926-8273** between 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

[health.ucsd.edu/request_appt](http://health.ucsd.edu/request_appt)

**Find a Provider**
Search by name, specialty, location or keyword to find the right provider for you.

[providers.ucsd.edu](http://providers.ucsd.edu)

**Physician Access Services**

**Refer a Patient or Request Consultation**
Call Physician Access Services at **855-543-0555** from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Transfer an Inpatient**
For hospital-to-hospital transfers, call **619-543-5709** (24-hour service) for instructions.
Table of Contents

Cancer
- Breast Cancer
- Gastrointestinal Cancers
- Gynecological Cancers
- Head & Neck Cancers
- Immunotherapy
- Leukemia & Lymphoma
- Lung Cancer
- Melanoma / Skin Cancers
- Neurological Oncology
- Pancreatic Cancer
- Precision Medicine
- Psychosocial Oncology
- Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)
- Urologic Cancer

Family Medicine
- Integrative & Holistic Medicine

Internal Medicine

Nephrology (Kidney)
- Apheresis
- Chronic Kidney Disease
- Critical Care Nephrology
- Dialysis
- Transplant Nephrology

Palliative Care

Pediatrics
- Adolescent Medicine
- Complex Care Pediatrics
- Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics
- General Pediatrics
- Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine
- Newborn Hospital Care
- Travel Medicine

Primary Care

Psychiatry
- Geriatric Psychiatry

Pulmonology (Lung)
- Asthma
- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
- Critical Care
- Interventional Pulmonology
- Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)
- Pulmonary Vascular Disease

Index
Maria Tiamson-Kassab, MD

Specialties:
Psychiatry, Palliative Care, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Psychosocial Oncology
Add'l Language:
Tagalog

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Maria Tiamson-Kassab, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist and the director of Moores Cancer Center's Patient & Family Support Services, which treats people who may be experiencing depression, anxiety, insomnia or other psychiatric symptoms that are either a result of the cancer experience or are interfering with cancer treatment. She can provide psychiatric assessment, treatment and medication management.
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.

Belen S. Clark, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider
Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language:
Tagalog
Vista - 1954 Via Centre
Contact:
Direct Clinic Line: (760) 529-9700
Bio:
Belen S. Clark, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care at Optimas Family Medicine, an independent practice in Vista, CA. She is a member of the UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Georgiana Miller, DO
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider
Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language:
Tagalog
Hemet - W. Stetson Avenue
Contact:
Direct Clinic Line: (951) 225-6802
Bio:
Georgiana Miller, DO, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. She is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
Internal Medicine

Internal Medicine specializes in diagnosis, nonsurgical treatment, and preventive medicine of diseases affecting the internal organs. Learn more about [internal medicine](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health.

Maribeth Chong, MD  
Primary Care Physician

Affiliated Provider

**Specialties:**  
Primary Care, Internal Medicine

**Add'l Language:**  
Tagalog

**Carlsbad - 6260 El Camino Real**  

**Contact:**  
Direct Clinic Line: (760) 434-6060

**Bio:**  
Maribeth Chong, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Well Being Medical Clinic. She is a member of the UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
Dinna N. Cruz, MD, MPH
Nephrologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Critical Care Nephrology, Chronic Kidney Disease

Add'l Languages:
Italian, Tagalog

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

Bio:
Dinna Cruz, MD, MPH, is a board-certified nephrologist. Her expertise is treating patients with both acute and chronic kidney diseases caused by all types of underlying conditions, including hypertension, diabetes, polycystic kidney disease, glomerulonephritis, lupus, and sepsis. She specializes in treating people with acute kidney injury (also known as "kidney attack") and cardiorenal syndrome (individuals affected by both heart and kidney disease).
Nephrology (Kidney) - Critical Care Nephrology

Dinna N. Cruz, MD, MPH
Nephrologist
Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Nephrology (Kidney)

**Subspecialties:**
Critical Care Nephrology, Chronic Kidney Disease

**Add'l Languages:**
Italian, Tagalog

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

**Bio:**
Dinna Cruz, MD, MPH, is a board-certified nephrologist. Her expertise is treating patients with both acute and chronic kidney diseases caused by all types of underlying conditions, including hypertension, diabetes, polycystic kidney disease, glomerulonephritis, lupus, and sepsis. She specializes in treating people with acute kidney injury (also known as "kidney attack") and cardiorenal syndrome (individuals affected by both heart and kidney disease).
Palliative Care

Maria Tiamson-Kassab, MD

Specialties: Psychiatry, Palliative Care, Cancer
Subspecialty: Psychosocial Oncology
Add'l Language: Tagalog

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Maria Tiamson-Kassab, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist and the director of Moores Cancer Center's Patient & Family Support Services, which treats people who may be experiencing depression, anxiety, insomnia or other psychiatric symptoms that are either a result of the cancer experience or are interfering with cancer treatment. She can provide psychiatric assessment, treatment and medication management.
Pediatrics - General Pediatrics

Tamantha (Tami) Arlata, MD
Pediatrician

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialty:
General Pediatrics
Add'l Language:
Tagalog

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 605-4453

Bio:
Tamantha (Tami) Arlata, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who treats infants, children and adolescents with a focus on their growth and overall well-being. She enjoys working in teams with specialists, to aid those with special needs/developmental delays and those with chronic illnesses such as diabetes. She is also well experienced in both the acute and preventive management of asthma.
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.

Tamantha (Tami) Arlata, MD
Pediatrician

**Specialties:**
- Pediatrics
- Primary Care

**Subspecialty:**
- General Pediatrics

**Add'l Language:**
- Tagalog

**Contact:**
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line: (858) 605-4453

**Bio:**
Tamantha (Tami) Arlata, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who treats infants, children and adolescents with a focus on their growth and overall well-being. She enjoys working in teams with specialists, to aid those with special needs/developmental delays and those with chronic illnesses such as diabetes. She is also well experienced in both the acute and preventive management of asthma.

Belen S. Clark, MD
Primary Care Physician

**Affiliated Provider**

**Specialties:**
- Primary Care
- Family Medicine

**Add'l Language:**
- Tagalog

**Contact:**
- Direct Clinic Line: (760) 529-9700

**Bio:**
Belen S. Clark, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care at Optimas Family Medicine, an independent practice in Vista, CA. She is a member of the UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Maribeth Chong, MD
Primary Care Physician

**Affiliated Provider**

**Specialties:**
- Primary Care
- Internal Medicine

**Add'l Language:**
- Tagalog

**Contact:**
- Direct Clinic Line: (760) 434-6060

**Bio:**
Maribeth Chong, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Well Being Medical Clinic. She is a member of the UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Georgiana Miller, DO
Primary Care Physician

**Affiliated Provider**

**Specialties:**
- Primary Care
- Family Medicine

**Add'l Language:**
- Tagalog

**Contact:**
- Direct Clinic Line: (951) 225-6802

**Bio:**
Georgiana Miller, DO, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. She is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
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.

Maria Tiamson-Kassab, MD

Specialties: Psychiatry, Palliative Care, Cancer
Subspecialty: Psychosocial Oncology
Add'l Language: Tagalog

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Maria Tiamson-Kassab, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist and the director of Moores Cancer Center's Patient & Family Support Services, which treats people who may be experiencing depression, anxiety, insomnia or other psychiatric symptoms that are either a result of the cancer experience or are interfering with cancer treatment. She can provide psychiatric assessment, treatment and medication management.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

Xavier Soler, MD, PhD
Pulmonologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialty:**
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

**Add'l Languages:**
Catalan, French, Spanish

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

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

**Bio:**
Xavier Soler, MD, PhD, specializes in pulmonology and sleep medicine and is the medical director of the pulmonary rehabilitation program and associate director of the Clinical Trials & Airway Research Center. He specializes in the diagnosis, treatment and management of chronic lung diseases, including chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and asthma.