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La Jolla, CA 92037

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La Jolla, CA 92037

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La Jolla, CA 92037

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9434 Medical Center Drive
La Jolla, CA 92093

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3855 Health Sciences Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037

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9300 Campus Point Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037

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9400 Campus Point Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037

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9350 Campus Point Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037

Hillcrest

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UC San Diego Medical Center
200 West Arbor Drive
San Diego, CA 92103

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330 Lewis Street
San Diego, CA 92103

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200 West Arbor Drive
San Diego, CA 92103

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4168 Front Street
San Diego, CA 92103

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200 West Arbor Drive
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San Diego, CA 92127

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Includes Encinitas Express Care
(Suite 110)
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Encinitas, CA 92024

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Encinitas, CA 92024

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Vista, CA 92081

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9909 Mira Mesa Blvd, Suite 200
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San Diego, CA 92123

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Chula Vista, CA 91914

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Temecula, CA 92592
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Anesthesiology - Critical Care

Anushirvan Minokadeh, MD
Anesthesiologist
Associate Clinical Professor

Specialty:
Anesthesiology

Subspecialty:
Critical Care

Add'l Language:
Farsi

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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Bio:
Chief, Anesthesiology Critical Care Medicine
Alexander A. Khalessi, MD, FAANS
Chair, Neurological Surgery
Professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Stroke Care, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Endovascular Neurosurgery, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Languages:
Farsi, Spanish

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

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Bio:
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Cancer - Urologic Cancer

Amirali (Amir) Salmasi, MD
Urologist
Assistant Professor of Urology

**Specialties:**
Urology, Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer, Urologic Cancer

**Add'l Language:**
Farsi

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Urology: (619) 543-3572
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

**Bio:**
Amirali Salmasi, MD, is a urologist with expertise in the management of genitourinary cancers in men and women, including bladder, prostate, kidney, ureteral, testicular, adrenal, and penile cancers. He provides a personalized, multidisciplinary approach to deliver the best possible treatment options (active surveillance, focal therapy, surgery, radiation, systemic treatments, or clinical trials) for his patients.
Cardiology - Electrophysiology

Ulrika Birgersdotter-Green, MD
Director, Pacemaker and ICD Services
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Cardiology
Subspecialty:
Electrophysiology
Add'l Languages:
French, German, Swedish

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

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

Bio:
Ulrika Birgersdotter-Green, MD, is a board-certified cardiologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating heart rhythm disorders. She directs the Pacemaker and ICD (Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator) Service at UC San Diego Health and leads one of the largest lead extraction programs in the Western United States.

Farshad Raissi, MD, MPH, FHRS
Cardiac Electrophysiologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Cardiology
Subspecialties:
Electrophysiology, Heart Failure
Add'l Language:
Farsi

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5743

Bio:
Farshad Raissi, MD, MPH, is a board-certified cardiac electrophysiologist whose special clinical interest is in management of complex arrhythmias in heart failure, as well as device therapies for early and advanced heart disease.
Farshad Raissi, MD, MPH, FHRS
Cardiac Electrophysiologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Cardiology

**Subspecialties:**
Electrophysiology, Heart Failure

**Add'l Language:**
Farsi

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**
**Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center**
**Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**

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Endocrinology

Endocrinology is the medical specialty focused on diseases of the endocrine system, including diabetes, thyroid and pituitary disorders. Learn more about endocrinology and diabetes at UC San Diego Health System.

Vala Hamidi, MD
Endocrinologist

Specialty:
Endocrinology
Add'l Language:
Farsi

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6303
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Bio:
Vala Hamidi, MD, is a board-certified endocrinologist who treats people with diabetes, disorders of calcium and skeletal metabolism, osteoporosis, pituitary and adrenal disease, thyroid cancer and thyroid disorders. She also provides care in general endocrinology.
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.

Hadia Ashraf, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider
Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language:
Farsi
Hemet - W. Stetson Avenue
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Direct Clinic Line: (951) 225-6802
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Hadia Ashraf, MD, 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.

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 - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd
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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.
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.

Sara S. Siavoshi, DO
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurology

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

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

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

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.
Neurosurgery - Complex Cranial Surgery

Alexander A. Khalessi, MD, FAANS
Chair, Neurological Surgery
Professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Stroke Care, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Endovascular Neurosurgery, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Languages:
Farsi, Spanish

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

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Neurosurgery - Endovascular Neurosurgery

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Professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Stroke Care, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Endovascular Neurosurgery, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Languages:
Farsi, Spanish

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Neurosurgery - Neurological Oncology

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Professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Stroke Care, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Endovascular Neurosurgery, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Languages:
Farsi, Spanish

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Maryam Tarsa, MD
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences
Perinatologist

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)

Add'l Language:
Farsi

Jacobs Medical Center
Sorrento Valley - Directors Place
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Encinitas - Garden View Court

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Sorrento Valley: (858) 657-7200
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-7878

Bio:
Maryam Tarsa, MD, is a board-certified perinatologist who specializes in caring for women with high-risk pregnancies. Perinatologists, also known as maternal-fetal medicine specialists, care for pregnant women who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health concerns. Dr. Tarsa's expertise includes fetal imaging and treating pregnant women with autoimmune disorders, infectious diseases and transplants. She also cares for women having twins or higher-order multiples.
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.

Mana Parast, MD, PhD
Assistant Professor

Specialty:
Pathology
Add'l Language:
Farsi

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Please contact me with any questions regarding gynecologic and perinatal pathology.

Pediatrics

Pediatrics is the branch of medicine concerned with children’s health and the prevention and treatment of illnesses in children. Learn more about pediatrics at UC San Diego Health System.

Shirin Alonzo, MD, MPH
Pediatrician

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Add'l Language:
Farsi

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Shirin Alonzo, MD, MPH, is board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children, and adolescents through all of their developmental stages. She has a special interest in caring for children who have medically fragile or special needs.
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](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health System.

### Shirin Alonzo, MD, MPH
#### Pediatrician

**Specialties:**
- Pediatrics, Primary Care

**Add'l Language:**
- Farsi

**Kearny Mesa - Frost Street**

**Contact:**
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### Hadia Ashraf, MD
#### Primary Care Physician

**Affiliated Provider**

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

**Add'l Language:**
- Farsi

**Hemet - W. Stetson Avenue**

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Hadia Ashraf, MD, 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.

### 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 - 9909 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.
Kamyar Afshar, DO
Director, Advanced Lung Disease Program
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Pulmonology (Lung), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Lung Transplantation, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Critical Care

Add'l Language:
Farsi

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6097

Bio:
Kamyar Afshar, DO, is a board-certified pulmonary and critical care physician who specializes in complex lung diseases and lung transplantation. His expertise includes treating cystic fibrosis (CF) and non-CF bronchiectasis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency, interstitial lung disease, sarcoidosis, as well as rare lung diseases such as lymphangioleiomyomatosis (LAM) and tuberous sclerosis complex.
Kamyar Afshar, DO  
Director, Advanced Lung Disease Program  
Associate Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Pulmonology (Lung), Transplantation

**Subspecialties:**  
Lung Transplantation, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Critical Care

**Add'l Language:**  
Farsi

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive  
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6097

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Matthew Nobari, MD  
Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician

**Specialty:**  
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspeciality:**  
Critical Care

**Add'l Language:**  
Farsi

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5840

**Bio:**  
Matthew Nobari, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist and intensivist. He provides care to patients with a variety of diseases including, but not limited to, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), asthma, interstitial lung disease, lung cancer, sepsis, and acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS). He is committed to providing comprehensive care to all of his patients.
Radiology

Radiology is the branch of medicine specializing in the use of imaging technologies such as x-ray and radiation to diagnose and treat diseases. Learn more about radiology at UC San Diego Health System.

Gary G Ghahremani, MD
Clinical Professor of Radiology

Specialty:
Radiology

Add'l Languages:
Farsi, German

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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Bio:
Dr. Ghahremani has been practicing Diagnostic Radiology for the past 40 years. From 1976 until 2000 he served as Professor and Chairman of the Radiology Department at Evanston Hospital-Northwestern University in Evanston, IL.

Mahmood F. Mafee, MD, FACP
Professor of Radiology

Specialty:
Radiology

Add'l Language:
Farsi

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3405
Radiology - Breast Imaging

William Arthur Ladd, MD, FACP
Radiologist

Specialty:
Radiology
Subspecialty:
Breast Imaging
Add'l Language:
Swedish

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3405

Bio:
William A. Ladd, MD, is a board-certified radiologist. He treats injury and disease in the body through diagnostic imaging tests and interventional procedures that involve the use of X-ray, computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and ultrasound. Dr. Ladd performs cardiothoracic (chest) imaging procedures.
Radiology - Neuroradiology

Nikdokht (Niky) Farid, MD
Neuroradiologist
Associate Professor of Radiology

Specialty:
Radiology

Subspecialty:
Neuroradiology

Add'l Language:
Farsi

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3405

Bio:
Nikdokht (Niky) Farid, MD, is a board-certified neuroradiologist who specializes in interpreting brain, spine and neck imaging studies to diagnose a variety of conditions. These conditions include tumors, strokes and other vascular disease, demyelinating disease, autoimmune disease, infectious and inflammatory disorders, seizures and congenital disorders.
Stroke Care

Stoke care is the medical treatment for a stroke — when the blood supply to part of your brain is interrupted or severely reduced, resulting in the sudden death of brain cells. Learn more about stroke care at UC San Diego Health System.

Alexander A. Khalessi, MD, FAANS
Chair, Neurological Surgery
Professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Stroke Care, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Endovascular Neurosurgery, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Languages:
Farsi, Spanish

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

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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.

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Chair, Neurological Surgery
Professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Stroke Care, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Endovascular Neurosurgery, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Languages:
Farsi, Spanish

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Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery

Amirali (Amir) Salmasi, MD
Urologist
Assistant Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer, Urologic Cancer

Add'l Language:
Farsi

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

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Transplantation - Lung Transplantation

Kamyar Afshar, DO
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Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
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Subspecialties:
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