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

### 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 92592

### Sorrento Valley
- 4910 Directors Place  
  San Diego, CA 92121

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Gastroenterology

Gastroenterology is the branch of medicine concerned with the structure, functions, diseases and pathology of the stomach and the intestines — including digestive diseases. Learn more about gastroenterology at UC San Diego Health System.

Michel Henry Mendler, MD  
Gastroenterologist and Transplant Hepatologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Gastroenterology, Transplantation, Hepatology (Liver)

Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation

Add'l Language:
French

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Temecula Parkway

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5415
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr. (Liver Transplantation): (858) 657-7728
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices (Gastroenterology): (619) 543-2347

Bio:
Michel Mendler, MD, is a gastroenterologist and transplant hepatologist. He has expertise in performing lower GI endoscopies and percutaneous liver biopsies to diagnose and treat patients with digestive and liver diseases including liver cancer, alcoholic liver disease and hepatitis.
Hepatology (Liver)

Hepatology is a medical specialty that incorporates the study of the liver, gallbladder, biliary tract, and pancreas as well as management of their disorders. Learn more about hepatology at UC San Diego Health System.

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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.

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

Gabriel Léger, MD
Neurologist

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
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 - Headache

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
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-3500
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8540

**Bio:**
Suzan Khoromi, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in treating migraines, headaches and neurologic pain conditions.
Transplantation - Liver Transplantation

Michel Henry Mendler, MD
Gastroenterologist and Transplant Hepatologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Gastroenterology, Transplantation, Hepatology (Liver)

Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation

Add'l Language:
French

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