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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)**
  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**
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**Transfer a Patient**
For hospital-to-hospital transfers, call **619-543-5709** (24-hour service) for instructions or to speak to a transfer coordinator.

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**Refer Your Patient**
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Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT

A blood and marrow transplant (BMT) is an infusion of adult stem cells — a BMT is used to replace bone marrow that has been destroyed by disease, chemotherapy or radiation. Learn more about blood and marrow transplant at UC San Diego Health.

Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma
Add'l Languages:
German, Greek

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including lymphoma, myeloma, leukemia, myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) and myeloproliferative neoplasms (MPN). He is a transplant physician for the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides comprehensive blood and marrow transplant services, including autologous and allogeneic stem cell transplantation.
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Cancer - Urologic Cancer

Karim Kader, MD, PhD  
Urologist  
Professor of Urology

**Specialties:**  
Urology, Cancer, Surgery  
**Subspecialties:**  
Urologic Cancer, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer  
**Add'l Languages:**  
French, Greek

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7876

**Bio:**  
Karim Kader, MD, PhD, is a board-certified urologist who specializes in detecting, treating and preventing prostate cancer.

Cardiology - Interventional Cardiology

Sotirios Tsimikas, MD  
Director of Vascular Medicine  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**  
Cardiology  
**Subspecialty:**  
Interventional Cardiology  
**Add'l Language:**  
Greek

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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

**Bio:**  
UC San Diego Health Links
Hematology/Blood Diseases

Hematology (the study of “blood diseases”) is the branch of internal medicine that is concerned with the study of blood, blood-forming organs, and blood diseases. Learn more about hematology/blood diseases at UC San Diego Health.

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HIV/AIDS

AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) is caused by the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), which kills or impairs cells of the immune system and progressively destroys the body’s ability to fight infections and certain cancers. Learn more about HIV/AIDS Care at UC San Diego Health.

Theodoros F. Katsivas, MD
Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine, Owen Clinic

Specialty:
HIV/AIDS

Add'l Languages:
Greek, Spanish

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

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

Bio:
Dr. Theo Katsivas is trained in Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases. He also trained as a Fellow in HIV disease at the UC San Diego Owen Clinic. His interests focus on HIV patient care and addiction medicine.
Jerasimos (Jerry) Ballas, MD, MPH, FACOG
Perinatologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

**Specialty:**
Obstetrics & Gynecology

**Subspecialty:**
Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)

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Greek

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**Contact:**
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Direct Clinic Line - Sorrento Valley: (858) 657-7200
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-7878

**Bio:**
Jerry Ballas, MD, MPH, is a board-certified perinatologist who cares for women with high-risk pregnancies. As a maternal-fetal medicine specialist, he treats expectant mothers who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health complications.
Demosthenes Papamatheakis, MD  
Pulmonologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**  
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialties:**  
Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Pulmonary Vascular Disease,  
Critical Care

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**La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive  
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**

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New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
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