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Shumei Kato, MD
Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine
Add'l Language:
Japanese

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-2372

Bio:
Shumei Kato, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating rare cancers and gastrointestinal tumors. He uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, biological therapy, immunotherapy and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for his patients. Dr. Kato has a special interest in targeted molecular therapy and his approach to care emphasizes personalized medicine and experimental therapeutics.
Cancer - Precision Medicine

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Urology, Cancer, Surgery

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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.

Tae-Woong Im, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language:
Korean

Temecula - Single Oak Drive

Contact:
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Mary Wang, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

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Add'l Languages:
Korean, Mandarin

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

Robert Y. Lee, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language:
Korean

Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd

Contact:
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
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Bio:
Robert Y. Lee, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides primary care for children and adults, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
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.

Yuko Kono, MD, PhD
Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist
Professor of Medicine and Radiology

Specialties:
Gastroenterology, Transplantation, Hepatology (Liver)

Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation

Add'l Language:
Japanese

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
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Yuko Kono, MD, PhD is a hepatologist with a special interest in hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) surveillance, diagnosis, management, general hepatology and liver transplantation. She is an expert in contrast enhanced ultrasound imaging.
Hepatology (Liver)

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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.

Unna Albers (Formerly McPherson), MD
Primary Care Physician
Clinical Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine

Add'l Language:
Korean

La Jolla - 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8000

Bio:
Unna McPherson Albers, 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. In 2009, 2011-2014, Dr. Albers was named a “Top Doc” in San Diego Magazine’s “Physicians of Exceptional Excellence” annual survey performed in collaboration with the San Diego County Medical Society.
Medical Oncology

Medical oncology focuses on the diagnosis and treatment of all types of cancer and other benign and malignant tumors. Medical oncologists administer therapy for these malignancies and collaborate with surgical and radiation oncologists to provide cancer treatments. Learn more about cancer care at UC San Diego Health.

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Neurology - Epilepsy

**Olivia Kim McManus, MD**
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

*Specialty:* Neurology
*Subspecialty:* Epilepsy
*Add'l Languages:* Korean, Spanish

**Jacobs Medical Center**

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

**Bio:**
Olivia Kim McManus, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in treating infants, children, and adolescents with neurological disorders, especially epilepsy and medically refractory epilepsy (when the condition does not respond to medication). Her expertise includes clinical neurophysiology and epilepsy surgery, i.e. invasive intracranial electroencephalography (EEG) monitoring and intraoperative electrocorticography.

**David J. Lee, MD, PhD**
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

*Specialty:* Neurology
*Subspecialty:* Epilepsy
*Add'l Language:* Korean

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**
**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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**Bio:**
David J. Lee, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who treats seizures and epilepsy, including epilepsy that does not respond to medication.
Occupational/Environmental Medicine

UC San Diego Health’s Occupational and Environmental Medicine provides the San Diego area with a full range of services for prevention and compliance assistance; work injury treatment and management; blood borne pathogen exposure; vaccinations; and case coordination. Learn more about occupational and environmental medicine at UC San Diego Health.

Marcia Isakari, MD, MPH
Occupational Medicine Physicia
Medical Director, Occupational and Environmental Medicine

Specialty:
Occupational/Environmental Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane
Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

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Bio:
Marcia Isakari, MD, MPH, is a board-certified occupational medicine physician. She has extensive clinical and leadership experience directing occupational medicine clinics and delivering clinical services to employers in virtually all industrial sectors, including biotech/life sciences/technology, public entity, and manufacturing.
Orthopedics - Sports Medicine

Kenneth Vitale, MD
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Specialist
Associate Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

Specialties:
Orthopedics, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Sports Medicine

Subspecialty:
Sports Medicine

Add'l Language:
Japanese

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

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Bio:
Kenneth Vitale, MD, is a board-certified physical medicine and rehabilitation physician who specializes in sports medicine and sports nutrition. As a physical medicine and rehabilitation physician (also known as a physiatrist), Dr. Vitale's expertise is in guiding individuals with orthopedic conditions through a variety of nonsurgical treatment options.
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

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Primary Care

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Psychology

Jessie S. Park, PsyD
Psychologist

Specialty:
Psychology

Add'l Language:
Korean

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Hillcrest - 140 Arbor Drive
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
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Bio:
Jessie Park, PsyD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who specializes in treating adults with co-occurring medical and psychiatric conditions, such as chronic pain and obesity. Dr. Park is the lead psychologist at UC San Diego Health’s Center for Pain Medicine, its Bariatric and Metabolic Institute and its psychiatry intensive outpatient program for chronic pain. She also conducts psychoeducational evaluations for students and fitness for duty evaluations for physicians at UC San Diego, and has experience with cancer-related pain.
Rheumatology

Rheumatology is a medical specialization concerned with the study and treatment of rheumatic disease; diseases which are usually caused by inflammation, swelling and pain in the joints and muscles. Learn more about rheumatology at UC San Diego Health.

Soo-In Choi, MD
Rheumatologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Rheumatology
Add'l Language:
Korean

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Soo Choi, MD, is a board-certified rheumatologist who diagnoses and treats autoimmune conditions and musculoskeletal diseases that affect the joints, muscles, connective tissue and bones. This may include conditions such as back pain and muscle strains, and diseases such as osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, gout and lupus.

Susan J Lee, MD
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Rheumatology
Add'l Language:
Korean

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

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New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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Bio:
In addition to clinical practice, Dr. Lee is actively involved in numerous clinical research as well as outcomes research.
Sports Medicine

Sports medicine is the branch of medicine concerned with the treatment of injuries or illnesses from athletic activities. Learn more about sports medicine at UC San Diego Health.

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Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery

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Urologist
Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer, Urologic Cancer

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Transplantation - Liver Transplantation

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