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

Scripps Ranch
9909 Mira Mesa Blvd.
San Diego, CA 92131

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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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) 822-5381

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 System.

Belen S. Clark, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Language:
Tagalog

Contact:

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

Contact:

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 at UC San Diego Health System.

Maribeth Chong, MD
Primary Care Physician

Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine
Add'l Language:
Tagalog

Contact:

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.

Ottar Viker Lunde, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine
Add'l Languages:
Norwegian, Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9250

Bio:
Ottar V. Lunde, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. He provides primary care for adults, including preventive care as well as the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. Dr. Lunde has a special interest in heart failure, sleep medicine and weight loss counseling. He is certified by the American Board of Obesity Medicine.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Chronic Kidney Disease

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

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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: (800) 926-8273

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 System.

Tamantha (Tami) Arlata, MD
Pediatrician

Specialties: Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialty: General Pediatrics
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Psychiatry

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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.

Erik L Owens, MD
Vascular Surgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Vascular Surgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Endovascular Surgery
Add'l Language:
Norwegian

Jacobs Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

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

Bio:
Erik Owens, MD, is a board-certified vascular surgeon. He is engaged in several clinical studies with interests in aortic aneurysms, treatment of venous stasis ulcers and minimally invasive bypass procedures. He serves as co-director for the Endovascular Training Center at the San Diego VA Medical Center.
Vascular Surgery - Endovascular Surgery

Erik L Owens, MD
Vascular Surgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Vascular Surgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Endovascular Surgery
Add'l Language:
Norwegian

Jacobs Medical Center
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Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
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