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Cardiology - Heart Failure

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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](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health.

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**Martin Luther Kabongo, MD, PhD**

Primary Care Physician  
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

**Specialties:**  
Primary Care, Family Medicine

**Add'l Languages:**  
French, Lingala, Spanish, Swahili, Tshiluba

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**Bio:**  
Martin Luther Kabongo, 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.
Gastroenterology - General Gastroenterology

Amir Zarrinpar, MD, PhD
Gastroenterologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Gastroenterology

Subspecialty:
General Gastroenterology

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Persian

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Bio:
Amir Zarrinpar, MD, PhD, is a board-certified general gastroenterologist with a particular interest in obesity and metabolism.
Hospital Medicine

Hospital medicine is concerned with the medical care of acutely ill inpatients.

Ali Amirrezvani, MD
Hospitalist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine
Add'l Languages:
Persian, Spanish

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Bio:
Ali Amirrezvani, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Amirrezvani is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient's hospital discharge, Dr. Amirrezvani communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.
Neurology - Headache

Suzan Khoromi, MD
Neurologist

Specialty:
Neurology

Subspecialty:
Headache

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

Pathology is the study of the nature, origin, cause and progress of a disease.

Farnaz Hasteh, MD
Assistant Clinical Professor

Specialty:
Pathology
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Dr. Hasteh received her medical degree in 1995 from Iran University of Medical Sciences in Tehran, Iran. She completed her pathology residency (AP-CP) at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Michigan, where she was the chief resident in pathology (2002-2003), teaching and directing residents.
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.

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Surgery

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