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Anesthesiology

Anesthesiology is the medical specialty that involves the preoperative, intraoperative, and postoperative care for patients in the administration of medications to control pain and support life functions during surgery. Learn more about anesthesiology services at UC San Diego Health.

Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD
Pain Management Specialist
Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology

Specialties:
Pain Management, Anesthesiology

Add'l Language:
Tamil

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-3800

Bio:
Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD, is an anesthesiologist who specializes in multi-modal pain management. As a pain management specialist, he evaluates, diagnoses and treats all forms of pain. Dr. Chakravarthy performs a variety of procedures to treat chronic pain, specializing in dorsal root stimulation therapy, a type of neurostimulation therapy designed to manage pain in areas of the lower body such as the foot, knee, hip or groin; dorsal column stimulation; and peripheral nerve stimulation.
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.

Saumya Jayakumar, MD, FRCPC
Hepatologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hepatology (Liver), Gastroenterology, Transplantation

Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation

Add'l Language:
Tamil

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

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

Bio:
Saumya Jayakumar, MD, is a hepatologist who treats patients with liver disease. Her clinical and research interests include end-stage liver disease, liver transplant and non-alcoholic fatty liver disease.
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](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health.

**Srila Gopal, MBBS**
Hematologist

**Specialty:**
Hematology/Blood Diseases

**Add'l Languages:**
Hindi, Tamil

**Moores Cancer Center**
**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (855) 355-5864
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

**Bio:**
Srila Gopal, MBBS, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating patients with blood disorders. She has a particular focus on hemoglobinopathies, including sickle cell disease, thalassemia, other anemias, and bleeding, clotting and white blood cell disorders. Dr. Gopal leads UC San Diego Health's [adult sickle cell disease program](https://health.ucsd.edu).
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.

Saumya Jayakumar, MD, FRCPC
Hepatologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hepatology (Liver), Gastroenterology, Transplantation

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

Dalia Elias, MBBS
Primary Care Physician

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Internal Medicine

**Add'l Language:**
Malayalam

**Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon**

**Contact:**
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 605-4452

**Bio:**
Dalia Elias, MBBS, is an internist who provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic medical conditions. She sees people commonly for conditions such as allergies, headaches, gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), bronchitis, asthma, diabetes, hypertension and heart disease.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Chronic Kidney Disease

Pranav Garimella, MBBS, MPH, FASN
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialty:
Chronic Kidney Disease

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

Bio:
Pranav Garimella, MBBS, MPH, is a board-certified nephrologist who provides care for a wide range of kidney diseases, including chronic kidney disease, glomerulonephritis, hypertension, and acute kidney injury. He has a special interest in polycystic kidney disease, kidney stones, and metabolic bone disease.
Orthopedics - Joint

Krishna R. Cidambi, MD
Orthopedic Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

**Specialty:**
Orthopedics

**Subspecialty:**
Joint

**Add'l Languages:**
Spanish, Tamil

**Locations:**
- Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
- Encinitas - Garden View Road
- La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8200

**Bio:**
Krishna R. Cidambi, MD, is an orthopedic surgeon who specializes in hip and knee replacements. His areas of expertise include anterior total hip replacement (minimally invasive hip replacement), posterior total hip replacement, total knee replacement and partial knee replacement.
Pain Management

Pain management is the pharmacological, nonpharmacological and other treatment to prevent, reduce, or stop pain. Learn more about pain management at UC San Diego Health.

Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD
Pain Management Specialist
Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology

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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.

Dalia Elias, MBBS
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine

Additional Language:
Malayalam

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Transplantation - Liver Transplantation

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Assistant Professor of Medicine

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