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  San Diego, CA 92103

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  San Diego, CA 92103

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  San Diego, CA 92103

- **UC San Diego Medical Center**
  200 West Arbor Drive
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  San Diego, CA 92121

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  959 Lane Avenue
  Chula Vista, CA 91914

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- **Temecula**
  31720 Temecula Parkway, Suite 100
  Temecula, CA 92592
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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 System.

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Primary Care Physician

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Anna Van Niekerk, DO, is a board-certified family medicine doctor dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children, adults, and seniors. She provides preventative care, as well as the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic conditions. Dr. Van Niekerk also sees patients for dermatological concerns and women's health.
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.

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Critical Care

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Venktesh Ramnath, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist who treats patients with lung disease primarily in intensive care unit and hospital settings. He serves as medical director of critical care telemedicine outreach, using digital technology to evaluate, diagnose and treat ICU patients who are located far from a UC San Diego Health facility.
Surgery
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