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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.

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Assistant Clinical Professor

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Anesthesiology, Pain Management

Add'l Language:
Italian

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Radiation Oncologist
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Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Gynecological Cancers

Add'l Languages:
French, German, Italian

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Bio:
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Cancer - Head & Neck Cancers

Assuntina G. (Tina) Sacco, MD
Medical Oncologist
Infusion Center Medical Director, Moores Cancer Center
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Head & Neck Cancers

Add'l Language:
Italian

Moores Cancer Center

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Bio:
Assuntina Sacco, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of head and neck cancers. She cares for patients with all types of head and neck cancer, including thyroid cancer and salivary gland cancer.
Cancer - Neurological Oncology

Thomas L. Beaumont, MD, PhD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

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Dermatology

Dermatology is the branch of medicine which studies and treats a variety of skin disorders and diseases. Learn more about dermatology at UC San Diego Health.

Anna Di Nardo, MD, PhD
Dermatologist
Associate Professor of Dermatology

Specialty:
Dermatology

Add'l Language:
Italian

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Contact:
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Bio:
Anna Di Nardo, MD, is a board-certified dermatologist who oversees the High Risk Pigmented Lesion Clinic. She also specializes in mole mapping and digital dermoscopy to detect early-stage melanoma.
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.

David E.J. Bazzo, MD
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Italian, Spanish

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Rebecca L Rosen, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Languages:
French, Italian, Spanish

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

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Bio:
Rebecca L. Rosen, 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.
HIV/AIDS

AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) is caused by the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), which kills or impairs cells of the immune system and progressively destroys the body's ability to fight infections and certain cancers. Learn more about HIV/AIDS care at UC San Diego Health.

Francesca Torriani, MD
Medical Director, Infection Prevention and Clinical Epidemiology
Professor of Clinical Medicine

Specialties:
Infectious Diseases, HIV/AIDS

Add'l Languages:
French, German, Italian, Spanish

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3995

Bio:
Francesca J. Torriani, MD, is a Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Department of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases at the University of California, San Diego (UCSD). Dr. Torriani received her medical degree in 1985 from the University Medical School in Lausanne, Switzerland. In 1995, Dr. Torriani joined UC San Diego Health after completing a fellowship in infectious diseases.
Infectious Diseases

Infectious diseases are caused by microorganisms that are capable of causing diseases in the human body, such as bacteria, viruses, parasites or fungi; the disease can be spread from one person to another. Learn more about treatment for infectious diseases at UC San Diego Health.

Francesca Torriani, MD
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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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Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Head & Neck Cancers
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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

Dinna N. Cruz, MD, MPH
Nephrologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Critical Care Nephrology, Chronic Kidney Disease

Add'l Languages:
Italian, Tagalog

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Etienne Macedo, MD, PhD, FASN
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspeciality:
Dialysis

Add'l Language:
Brazilian Portuguese

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

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

Bio:
Etienne Macedo, MD, PhD, is a nephrologist who diagnoses and treats patients with kidney disease, including renal failure, kidney stones and high blood pressure.
Neurosurgery - Complex Cranial Surgery

Thomas L. Beaumont, MD, PhD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Language:
Italian

Moores Cancer Center

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Bio:
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Neurosurgery - Neurological Oncology

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Ophthalmology - Retina

Michael Goldbaum, MD
Ophthalmologist
Professor of Ophthalmology
Co-Director of Retina Division

Specialty:
Ophthalmology
Subspecialty:
Retina
Add'l Language:
Italian

Shiley Eye Institute

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Bio:
In 1996, Dr. Goldbaum published a report on the first known case of a newborn with E-Coli Endophthalmitis, resulting in inflammation of the internal structures of the tissues in the eyeball. Dr. Goldbaum's breakthrough in treatment for macular hole was featured in 1998 issues of Ocular Surgery News and the journal, Ophthalmology. The technique using silicone oil has the potential of greatly altering the treatment of macular holes worldwide.
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.

Benjamin Beal, MD
Assistant Clinical Professor

Specialties:
Anesthesiology, Pain Management

Additional Language:
Italian

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

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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.

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Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Languages:
French, Italian, Spanish

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Rebecca L. Rosen, 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.
Radiation Oncology

Radiation oncology is the medical specialty that uses radiation to treat cancer. Learn more about radiation oncology at UC San Diego Health.

[Image of Arno J. Mundt, MD, FACRO, FASTRO]

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Radiation Oncologist
Professor and Chair of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

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Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Gynecological Cancers
Add'l Languages:
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Moores Cancer Center

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Radiology

Radiology is the branch of medicine specializing in the use of imaging technologies such as x-ray and radiation to diagnose and treat diseases. Learn more about radiology at UC San Diego Health.

Giovanna Casola, MD
Diagnostic Radiologist
Clinical Professor of Radiology

Specialty:
Radiology

Add'l Languages:
French, Italian, Spanish

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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Bio:
Dr. Casola is passionate about excellent clinical care and teaching the next generation of physicians. She has an interest in international education and has sponsored many visiting scholars from all over the world.
Radiology - Musculoskeletal Imaging

Amilcare Gentili, MD
Radiologist
Professor of Radiology

Specialty:
Radiology
Subspecialty:
Musculoskeletal Imaging
Add'l Language:
Italian

Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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Bio:
Amilcare Gentili, MD, is a board-certified radiologist. His specific areas of interest include musculoskeletal tumors, sport medicine, arthritis and musculoskeletal MR imaging.
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.

Nunzio Bottini, MD, PhD
Rheumatologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Rheumatology
Add'l Language:
Italian

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

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

Bio:
Nunzio Bottini, MD, PhD, is a rheumatologist who treats a variety of musculoskeletal diseases and autoimmune conditions, including rheumatoid arthritis and scleroderma.
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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