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Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT

A blood and marrow transplant (BMT) is an infusion of adult stem cells — a BMT is used to replace bone marrow that has been destroyed by disease, chemotherapy or radiation. Learn more about blood and marrow transplant at UC San Diego Health.

Fotios (Fotis) Asimakopoulos, MB BChir, PhD
Medical Oncologist and Hematologist
Associate Professor of Medicine In Residence

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialties:
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Immunotherapy
Add'l Language:
Greek

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Fotios (Fotis) Asimakopoulos, MB BChir, PhD, is a medical oncologist and hematologist who treats people with plasma cell dyscrasias, also known as plasma cell disorders. His patients may have blood-related diseases such as multiple myeloma, monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS), amyloidosis, and Waldenstrom's macroglobulinemia (a type of lymphoma).

Edward (Ted) Ball, MD
Director, Blood and Marrow Transplant Program
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Edward "Ted" Ball, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who treats individuals with blood-related cancers such as leukemia and lymphoma. In his role as director and chief of the UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, he leads an interdisciplinary team of physicians, advanced practitioners, nurses, social workers and support staff. Dr. Ball offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient's own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT (cont.)

Caitlin Costello, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspeciality:
Leukemia & Lymphoma
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Caitlin Costello, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating a variety of blood cancers, including multiple myeloma, lymphoma, and leukemia. She is part of the joint UC San Diego Health/Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial consultation and diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care throughout stem cell transplants, and follow-up survivorship care.

Peter T. Curtin, MD
Clinical Director, Blood and Marrow Transplantation
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspeciality:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Peter Curtin, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and oncologist who treats patients with blood-related cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma, myelodysplastic syndrome and myeloma. In his role as clinical director of Blood and Marrow Transplantation at UC San Diego Health, he leads an interdisciplinary team of physicians, advanced practitioners, nurses, social workers and support staff. Dr. Curtin offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient's own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT (cont.)

Aaron Goodman, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Medical Oncology

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Aaron Goodman, MD, is a hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating a variety of blood cancers, including acute myeloid leukemia (AML), acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL) and multiple myeloma. He performs stem cell transplants for cancer treatment, including autologous (stem cells come from the individual receiving the transplant) and allogeneic (stem cells come from a matched donor) transplants.

Ayad Hamdan, MD
Hematologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
Arabic

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Ayad Hamdan, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including lymphoma, multiple myeloma, leukemia, myeloproliferative neoplasms and myelodysplastic syndromes. He offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT (cont.)

Dan S. Kaufman, MD, PhD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Dan Kaufman, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in caring for patients with blood cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma. He is one of the physicians with the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial consultation and diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care during stem cell transplant procedures, and follow-up survivorship care. Dr. Kaufman’s expertise and areas of interest include cell-based immunotherapies, stem cells, regenerative medicine and natural killer (NK) cell-mediated therapy. He offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

Divya T. Koura, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
Hindi

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Divya T. Koura, MD is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including leukemia, lymphoma and multiple myeloma. She is part of the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care during stem cell transplant procedures, and follow-up survivorship care.
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT (cont.)

James K. Mangan, MD, PhD
Hematologist / Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
James K. Mangan, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating people with blood cancers, including acute lymphocytic leukemia, acute myelogenous leukemia, chronic lymphocytic leukemia, and chronic myeloid leukemia. He also has expertise in treating people with myelodysplastic syndromes, myeloproliferative neoplasms, aplastic anemia, lymphoma, and myeloma.

Carolyn Mulroney, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Carolyn Mulroney, MD, is a hematologist and medical oncologist who provides autologous and allogeneic transplants to adults with a wide range of blood cancers and blood disorders, including lymphoma, leukemia, anemia, Langerhans cell histiocytosis (LCH), myelodysplasia, multiple myeloma, light-chain (AL) amyloidosis and graft versus host disease (GVHD). Dr. Mulroney offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient's own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT (cont.)

Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma
Add'l Languages:
German, Greek

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including lymphoma, myeloma, leukemia, myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) and myeloproliferative neoplasms (MPN). He is a transplant physician for the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides comprehensive blood and marrow transplant services, including autologous and allogeneic stem cell transplantation.

Matthew Wieduwilt, MD, PhD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Matthew Wieduwilt, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who cares for people with blood cancers, with a special focus in acute leukemia and bone marrow transplantation. He is a part of the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment.
Cancer

Cancer is an abnormal growth of cells which creates tumors, abnormal growths of tissue, and clusters of cells that are capable of growing and dividing uncontrollably — oncology is the branch of medicine concerned with the diagnosis and treatment of cancer. Learn more about cancer at UC San Diego Health.

Michael Choi, MD
Medical Staff Physician
Clinical Instructor

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Dr. Choi is a hematologist and medical oncologist specializing in the treatment of patients with blood cancers and other blood disorders, with an emphasis on chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL). He is a part of UC San Diego's CLL research team, collaborating with the laboratories of Drs. Thomas Kipps, Januario Castro, and Dennis Carson to help develop new therapies for patients with blood cancers. His clinical research interests include highly targeted novel therapies that can be used to treat blood cancers in a personalize and molecularly-driven manner.

Stephen B Howell, MD
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Stephen B. Howell, M.D. is a Professor of Medicine at the University of California, San Diego, co-Leader of the Solid Tumor Therapeutics (formerly Tumor Growth, Invasion and Metastasis) Program of the UC San Diego Moores Cancer Center, and Director of the Cancer Therapeutics Training Program. He is a graduate of Harvard Medical School and was trained as a medical oncologist and pharmacologist at the Massachusetts General Hospital, the National Institutes of Health and the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.
Cancer (cont.)

Frederic J. Kolb, MD
Plastic Surgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Plastic Surgery, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Reconstructive Surgery
Add'l Language:
French

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (619) 294-3746
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Frederic Kolb, MD, MS, MRes, is an internationally recognized board-certified plastic surgeon who specializes in oncologic reconstruction, correcting defects following breast, head and neck, skin, and soft tissue and sarcoma resections. He performs breast oncologic surgery and reconstruction with autologous perforator flaps, in addition to head and reconstruction with all variety of chimeric flaps.

Rachel La Costa, MPAS, PA-C
Physician Assistant

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6294

Bio:
Rachel La Costa, MPAS, is a certified physician assistant (PA-C) who assists in treating people with blood disorders which include anemia, hemophilia, Sickle cell disease and blood cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma. She provides care at the Infusion Center at Moores Cancer Center where patients receive chemotherapy agents, blood products, electrolyte replacements, infection of growth factors and IV antimicrobials.

Iain J. MacEwan, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Iain MacEwan, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating cancers in children. As a radiation oncologist, Dr. MacEwan has expertise in the most advanced photon and proton technologies. He treats cancer using many modalities, including conformal radiation therapy (CRT), intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT), stereotactic radiation surgery (SRS), and pencil beam proton therapy (PBT) / intensity-modulated proton therapy (IMPT).
Cancer (cont.)

Sanford J. Shattil, MD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Sanford Shattil, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who focuses on disorders of blood platelets, bleeding disorders and the diagnosis and treatment of arterial and venous thrombosis.

Sarah L. Blair, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Breast Cancer, Surgical Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

Bio:
Sarah L. Blair is a surgical oncologist and board-certified general surgeon who specializes in diagnosing and treating breast cancer, melanoma, sarcoma and soft tissue tumors. Her expertise is in sentinel node staging for breast cancer, utilizing new energy sources for better resection of tumors, and innovative reconstructive techniques for breast conservation operations.

Sarah G. Boles, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Breast Cancer, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

Bio:
"I will strive to provide state-of-the-art care for patients with breast cancer, sarcoma and blood disorders, including access to clinical trials."
Cancer - Breast Cancer (cont.)

**John P. Einck, MD**  
Radiation Oncologist  
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

**Specialties:**  
Radiation Oncology, Cancer  

**Subspecialties:**  
Gynecological Cancers, Urologic Cancer, Breast Cancer, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)  

**Add'l Language:**  
Spanish

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

**Bio:**  
Dr. John Einck is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate and other genitourinary cancers, as well as breast and gynecologic cancer. He is co-chair of the radiation oncology team's brachytherapy program.

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**Jona Hattangadi-Gluth, MD**  
Chief of Central Nervous System Tumor Service, Radiation Oncology  
Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

**Specialties:**  
Radiation Oncology, Cancer  

**Subspecialties:**  
Neurological Oncology, Breast Cancer  

**Moores Cancer Center**  
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

**Bio:**  
Jona Hattangadi-Gluth, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating primary and metastatic brain tumors, as well as breast cancer. As a radiation oncologist, she uses high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. Her expertise includes stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) and stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT).
Cancer - Breast Cancer (cont.)

Jyoti S. Mayadev, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gynecological Cancers, Breast Cancer
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Jyoti Mayadev, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating gynecologic and breast cancers. Her expertise includes intensity modulated external beam radiation, image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT), and image-guided brachytherapy (IGBT), an advanced cancer treatment where a radioactive implant is placed inside or very close to a tumor. Dr. Mayadev also manages the care and treatment of cancer patients and works closely with other doctors, including medical, gynecological and surgical oncologists to provide comprehensive care. She is very interested in patient reported outcomes, and fostering an optimal patient experience during radiation therapy and brachytherapy.

Barbara A Parker, MD
Breast Medical Oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Precision Medicine, Breast Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

Bio:
Barbara A. Parker, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist. She has extensive experience treating and managing breast cancer. Her top priority is to provide excellent patient care consisting of access to new therapies.
Cancer - Breast Cancer (cont.)

Catheryn M. Yashar, MD
Chief of Gynecologic and Breast Radiation Services, Radiation Oncology
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Breast Cancer, Gynecological Cancers

Additional Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Catheryn M. Yashar, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating breast and gynecologic cancers. Dr. Yashar uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. She is highly experienced in intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and brachytherapy. Dr. Yashar also manages the care and treatment of cancer patients and works closely with other doctors, including medical and surgical oncologists, to provide comprehensive care.
Cancer - Gastrointestinal Cancers

Joel M. Baumgartner, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Surgical Oncology, Pancreatic Cancer, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Joel M. Baumgartner, MD, is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the gastrointestinal (GI) tract. He treats tumors that have metastasized to the abdomen, using treatment known as the "chemo bath" or hyperthermic (heated) intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC). This treatment involves surgical resection of all tumors followed by circulation of heated chemotherapy throughout the abdomen. This technique avoids many of the toxicities associated with systemic chemotherapy, while exposing the abdomen to higher concentrations of chemotherapy.

Gregory Botta, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Gregory Botta, MD, PhD, is a medical oncologist who specializes in treating solid tumor cancers of the gastrointestinal system, including cancers of the digestive system, esophagus, stomach, gallbladder, pancreas, liver, small intestine, colon, appendix, rectum and anus, and gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST).
Cancer - Gastrointestinal Cancers (cont.)

Michael Bouvet, MD
Director of Endocrine Surgery
Professor of Surgery
Co-Director, Center for Fluorescence-Guided Surgery

Specialties:
Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Bio:
Michael Bouvet, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in endocrine surgery and surgical oncology. He is the director of Endocrine Surgery and co-director of the Gastrointestinal Cancer Unit at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Bouvet’s expertise includes performing surgery for benign and cancerous thyroid nodules; parathyroidectomy for hyperparathyroidism, Whipple procedures (pancreatoduodenectomy) for pancreatic cancer; minimally invasive robotic-assisted esophagectomy; and laparoscopic adrenal surgery. He also performs surgery for tumors of the parathyroid glands, adrenal glands, liver, esophagus, stomach and pancreas.

Adam M. Burgoyne, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Bio:
Adam Burgoyne, MD, PhD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating primary liver cancers such as hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC). He also treats cancers of the esophagus, gallbladder, pancreas, stomach, small intestine, colon and appendix, as well as gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST).
Cancer - Gastrointestinal Cancers (cont.)

Bryan Clary, MD, FACS
Surgeon-In-Chief
Chair and Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Pancreatic Cancer, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Bryan Clary, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who provides surgical care for patients with diseases of the liver, pancreas and bile ducts. He is a part of the gastrointestinal and pancreatic cancer teams at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Clary has extensive experience in performing surgeries associated with cancers of the liver, pancreas, gallbladder, and bile ducts. He is nationally recognized for excellent outcomes following these complex procedures.

Paul T. Fanta, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Pancreatic Cancer

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7000

Bio:
Paul T. Fanta, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal cancers. Because the diagnosis and management of gastrointestinal cancers has dramatically changed in the past several years, his research interests include how to incorporate biotechnology, bioinformatics, molecular analyses and pharmacogenomic data in the setting of prospective clinical trials—with the results of better identifying patients who will benefit from chemotherapy, avoiding toxicities from treatment, and developing a predictive therapeutic strategy unique to a patient's disease.
Cancer - Gastrointestinal Cancers (cont.)

Shumei Kato, MD
Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine
Add'l Language:
Japanese

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-2372

Bio:
Shumei Kato, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating rare cancers and gastrointestinal tumors. He uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, biological therapy, immunotherapy and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for his patients. Dr. Kato has a special interest in targeted molecular therapy and his approach to care emphasizes personalized medicine and experimental therapeutics.

Kaitlyn Kelly, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Surgical Oncology, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Kaitlyn Kelly, MD, is a surgical oncologist with board certification in general surgery and complex general surgical oncology. Her expertise includes treating benign and malignant gastrointestinal (GI) and endocrine diseases including those of the esophagus, stomach, pancreas, liver, bile ducts, gallbladder, thyroid, and parathyroids, as well as skin cancers and soft-tissue sarcomas.
Lawrence P. Leichman, MD
Medical Oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Gastrointestinal Cancers

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

Bio:
Lawrence Leichman, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal (GI) cancers. These include cancers of the esophagus, pancreas, stomach, liver, rectum and colon. He uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, immunotherapy, biologic therapy, and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for patients. Dr. Leichman also has expertise in using neoadjuvant therapies to treat gastrointestinal malignancies. Neoadjuvant therapies, which include chemotherapy, radiation therapy and hormone therapy, are delivered to a person before the main treatment (surgery), with the intent lower to lower the risk that the cancer will return.

Andrew M. Lowy, MD, FACS
Chief, Division of Surgical Oncology
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Andrew M. Lowy, MD is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the pancreas and GI tract. Dr. Lowy is recognized worldwide for his expertise in pancreatic cancer surgery and in the management of complex gastrointestinal cancers. He is also known for investigating novel cancer treatments, including heated intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC), to treat advanced abdominal cancers.
Cancer - Gastrointestinal Cancers (cont.)

Aaron M. Miller, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Aaron M. Miller, MD, PhD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating gastrointestinal cancers. This includes cancers of the esophagus, gallbladder, liver, pancreas, stomach, small intestine, bowel and anus. He uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, biological therapy, immunotherapy and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for his patients. Dr. Miller’s approach to care emphasizes personalized medicine/precision oncology, adoptive cellular therapy, next-generation tumor sequencing and tumor immunology. He is part of the gastrointestinal cancer unit at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health, where he works alongside a multidisciplinary team to provide patients with highly specialized care.

James D. Murphy, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Pancreatic Cancer, Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
James D. Murphy, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in gastrointestinal cancers and palliative radiotherapy. Within the radiation oncology team, Dr. Murphy is chief of the Gastrointestinal Tumor Service and chief of palliative radiation therapy.
Cancer - Gastrointestinal Cancers (cont.)

Hitendra Patel, MBBS
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-3115

Bio:
Hitendra Patel, MBBS, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of gastrointestinal cancers. This includes cancers of the pancreas, esophagus, gallbladder, liver, stomach, small intestine, colon/bowel and anus, as well as gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST) and neuroendocrine and carcinoid tumors. He uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, immunotherapy, targeted therapy, biological therapy, including new medicines as part of clinical trials, to offer the best possible treatment options.

Tony Reid, MD, PhD
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6191

Bio:
As a physician, I strongly believe that we need better and more advanced therapies to treat cancer, but I also feel it is very important to carefully tailor the treatment to the individual patient. There is an increasing array of options for treatment for cancer including chemotherapy, targeted therapies, surgery and radiation and many patients need a combined and coordinated strategy that may include several of these options to achieve the optimal results. We have excellent surgeons and radiation therapists at UC San Diego Healthcare and we work closely as a team to provide the best possible care for our patients.
John P. Shen, MD
Medical Oncologist

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
John Shen, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal cancers. This includes cancers of the esophagus, gallbladder, liver, pancreas, stomach, small intestine, colon and appendix. He uses numerous forms of therapy including traditional chemotherapy, immunotherapy and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for his patients. Dr. Shen is part of the gastrointestinal cancer unit at UC San Diego Health's Moore's Cancer Center, where he works alongside a multidisciplinary team to provide patients with highly specialized care.

Jason Sicklick, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6173

Bio:
Jason Sicklick, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating hepatobiliary diseases and sarcomas, including gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST). He has a special interest in abdominal and retroperitoneal sarcomas, primary liver tumors and colorectal and neuroendocrine cancers that have metastasized to the liver.
Cancer - Gastrointestinal Cancers (cont.)

Daniel R. Simpson, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View Road
Chula Vista - Lane Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Daniel R. Simpson, MD, is a radiation oncologist who specializes in treating cancer of the liver, gastrointestinal tract and central nervous system (the brain and spinal cord). Dr. Simpson uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. He is experienced in intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT), stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) and stereotactic body radiotherapy (SBRT). Dr. Simpson also manages the care and treatment of cancer patients and works closely with other doctors, including medical and surgical oncologists, to provide comprehensive care.

Jula Veerapong, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Jula Veerapong, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal malignancies. He is an expert in peritoneal surface malignancies, which include cancers that have originated from or spread to the peritoneal lining (lining of the abdominal cavity). He treats people with pseudomyxoma peritonei, appendiceal cancer (low grade and high grade), colorectal cancer, sarcomas (desmoplastic small round cell tumors), mesothelioma, and gynecologic malignancies (epithelial ovarian cancer, primary peritoneal carcinoma, borderline mucinous tumor of the ovary).
Cancer - Gastrointestinal Cancers (cont.)

Rebekah R. (Becke) White, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Surgical Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Rebekah White, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating tumors of the pancreas, liver, bile duct, and upper gastrointestinal tract such as the stomach. Dr. White is part of the gastrointestinal cancer unit at UC San Diego Health’s Moores Cancer Center, where she works alongside a multidisciplinary team to provide cancer patients with advanced surgical options that are best suited to their individual needs.
Cancer - Gynecological Cancers

Pratibha S. Binder, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialities:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Urdu

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Pratibha Binder, MD, is a gynecologic oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating female reproductive system cancers, including ovarian, uterine, cervical, endometrial, vulvar and vaginal cancer. Her expertise also includes surgical management of these cancers.

John P. Einck, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecological Cancers, Urologic Cancer, Breast Cancer, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Dr. John Einck is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate and other genitourinary cancers, as well as breast and gynecologic cancer. He is co-chair of the radiation oncology team's brachytherapy program.
Cancer - Gynecological Cancers (cont.)

Ramez N. Eskander, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers, Precision Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (760) 536-7700

Bio:
Ramez Eskander, MD, is a board-certified gynecologic oncologist who specializes in the surgical management of female reproductive system cancers, including ovarian, uterine, cervical, vulvar and vaginal cancer. His expertise includes diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, including minimally invasive (robotic) surgery, chemotherapy and novel drugs. Dr. Eskander is also experienced in clinical trial development and aims to provide individuals with access to innovative medicines during their treatment.

Jyoti S. Mayadev, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecological Cancers, Breast Cancer

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Jyoti Mayadev, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating gynecologic and breast cancers. Her expertise includes intensity modulated external beam radiation, image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT), and image-guided brachytherapy (IGBT), an advanced cancer treatment where a radioactive implant is placed inside or very close to a tumor. Dr. Mayadev also manages the care and treatment of cancer patients and works closely with other doctors, including medical, gynecological and surgical oncologists to provide comprehensive care. She is very interested in patient reported outcomes, and fostering an optimal patient experience during radiation therapy and brachytherapy.
Cancer - Gynecological Cancers (cont.)

Michael McHale, MD
Division Chief, Gynecologic Oncology Services
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

Bio:
Michael McHale, MD, is a board-certified gynecologic oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating cancers related to women's reproductive organs. He also serves as surgical director of perioperative services at UC San Diego Health, where he oversees clinical operations across all perioperative sites and network affiliates. In this role, Dr. McHale focuses on providing positive patient experiences and developing a world-class surgical environment at UC San Diego Health.

Loren K. Mell, MD
Chief, Head and Neck Malignancy Service
Vice Chair, Clinical and Translational Research
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Gynecological Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Dr. Loren Mell is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating head and neck and gynecologic cancers. He is vice chair of Clinical and Translational Research for the Department of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences at UC San Diego School of Medicine, and is chief of Head and Neck Radiation Oncology at UC San Diego Health. His clinical expertise is in both head/neck and gynecologic cancer.
Cancer - Gynecological Cancers (cont.)

Arno J. Mundt, MD, FACRO, FASTRO
Radiation Oncologist
Professor and Chair of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Gynecological Cancers, Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Languages:
French, German, Italian

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Arno J. Mundt, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist whose expertise is in gynecologic and prostate cancers using a variety of novel treatment modalities, including image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT).

Steven Plaxe, MD
Director, Gynecologic Oncology
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Dr. Plaxe is a fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology and of the American College of Surgeons. He is Director of the Division of Gynecologic Oncology. He is a member of the Cancer Prevention and Control Committee of the Gynecologic Oncology Group (GOG) and is Principal Investigator at UC San Diego for Gynecologic Oncology Group studies.
Cancer - Gynecological Cancers (cont.)

Cheryl C. Saenz, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Cheryl Saenz, MD, is a board-certified gynecologic oncologist. She specializes in the preventive and treatment aspects of gynecologic cancer care. Dr. Saenz is also dedicated to educating women who are at risk for these types of cancers, which include cancers of the cervix, uterus, ovaries and fallopian tubes.

Michele Srilasak, MSN, ANP-BC
Adult Nurse Practitioner

Specialty:
Cancer

Subspecialty:
Gynecological Cancers

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas:: (760) 536-7700

Bio:
Michele Srilasak, MSN, is a board-certified adult nurse practitioner (ANP-BC) who cares for patients with gynecologic cancers, with an emphasis on long-term cancer survivorship care, wellness, and patient education. Her scope of care includes physical evaluations, diagnosis, treatment, symptom management, and supportive care. She also performs cervical, vaginal, vulvar and endometrial biopsies.
Catheryn M. Yashar, MD
Chief of Gynecologic and Breast Radiation Services,
Radiation Oncology
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:  
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:  
Breast Cancer, Gynecological Cancers

Add'l Language:  
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:  
Catheryn M. Yashar, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating breast and gynecologic cancers. Dr. Yashar uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. She is highly experienced in intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and brachytherapy. Dr. Yashar also manages the care and treatment of cancer patients and works closely with other doctors, including medical and surgical oncologists, to provide comprehensive care.
Cancer - Head & Neck Cancers

Michael Bouvet, MD
Director of Endocrine Surgery
Professor of Surgery
Co-Director, Center for Fluorescence-Guided Surgery

Specialties:
Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery,
Surgical Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Gastrointestinal Cancers,
Pancreatic Cancer

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (866) 773-2703
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 657-7000

Bio:
Michael Bouvet, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in
endocrine surgery and surgical oncology. He is the director of Endocrine
Surgery and co-director of the Gastrointestinal Cancer Unit at UC San Diego
Health. Dr. Bouvet’s expertise includes performing surgery for benign and
cancerous thyroid nodules; parathyroidectomy for hyperparathyroidism,
Whipple procedures (pancreatoduodenectomy) for pancreatic cancer;
minimally invasive robotic-assisted esophagectomy; and laparoscopic
adrenal surgery. He also performs surgery for tumors of the parathyroid
glands, adrenal glands, liver, esophagus, stomach and pancreas.

Kevin Thomas Brumund, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Thyroid &
Parathyroid Surgery, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Kevin Brumund, MD, is a board-certified head and neck surgeon whose
practice is dedicated solely to the treatment of head and neck tumors. Dr.
Brumund has extensive training and experience in cancer surgery and
specializes in treating both benign and malignant tumors of the head and
neck. This includes tumors of the entire upper aerodigestive tract (mouth,
throat, nose, sinuses, and voice box), salivary glands (parotid and
submandibular glands), neck, facial skin, thyroid and parathyroid glands.
Cancer - Head & Neck Cancers (cont.)

Joseph A. Califano, III, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Physician in Chief, Moores Cancer Center
Director, Head and Neck Cancer Center

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Joseph A. Califano, III, MD, is a board-certified otolaryngologist who specializes in head and neck surgical oncology, and the integration of basic, molecular biologic research in that practice. His expertise includes minimally invasive treatment of tumors of the oral cavity, larynx, pharynx, thyroid, and neck to minimize cosmetic impact and maximize function, with an interest in tumors of the skull base, mouth, salivary glands, and premalignant conditions of the upper aerodigestive tract.

Charles Coffey, MD, FACS
Head and Neck Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6631

Bio:
Charles Coffey, MD, is a board-certified otolaryngologist and fellowship-trained head and neck cancer surgeon who specializes in diagnosing and treating patients with a broad range of benign and malignant tumors of the head and neck.

Ezra Cohen, MD, FRCPC, FASCO
Medical Oncologist
Chief, Division of Hematology-Oncology
Associate Director, Translational Science, Moores Cancer Center
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Ezra Cohen, MD, is a board-certified oncologist and an internationally renowned cancer researcher. He cares for patients with all types of head and neck cancers, including esophageal, thyroid and salivary gland cancers.
Cancer - Head & Neck Cancers (cont.)

Gregory A. Daniels, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-3804

Bio:
Gregory A. Daniels, MD, is a board-certified oncologist. He coordinates care for patients with melanoma, skin cancers, and head and neck cancers.

Kathryn A. Gold, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Lung Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5182

Bio:
Kathryn A. Gold, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating cancers of the lung, head and neck. She uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, biological therapy and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for her patients.

Scott M. Lippman, MD
Director, Moores Cancer Center
Professor of Medicine
Senior Associate Dean and Associate Vice Chancellor, Cancer Research and Care

Specialty:
Cancer

Subspecialties:
Precision Medicine, Head & Neck Cancers, Lung Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Scott M. Lippman, MD, is director of Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health, professor of Medicine at UC San Diego School of Medicine, senior associate dean and associate vice chancellor for Cancer Research and Care and holds the Chugai Pharmaceutical Chair in Cancer. He is also an adjunct professor at the Salk Institute, the Sanford-Burnham Medical Research Institute and MD Anderson Cancer Center.
Cancer - Head & Neck Cancers (cont.)

Sarah L. McGhee, MSN, ANP-BC, AOCNP
Adult Nurse Practitioner

Specialty:
Cancer
Subspecialty:
Head & Neck Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Sarah McGhee, MSN, is a board-certified adult nurse practitioner (ANP-BC) and an advanced oncology certified nurse practitioner (AOCNP) who assists in treating people with head and neck cancers. These include cancers of the thyroid, oropharynx, larynx, and salivary glands. She helps manage the care of patients who are undergoing cancer treatment, including chemotherapy, biological therapy, immunotherapy and targeted therapy. She also helps patients and families understand their diagnosis, disease course, and symptom management.

Loren K. Mell, MD
Chief, Head and Neck Malignancy Service
Vice Chair, Clinical and Translational Research
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Gynecological Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Dr. Loren Mell is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating head and neck and gynecologic cancers. He is vice chair of Clinical and Translational Research for the Department of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences at UC San Diego School of Medicine, and is chief of Head and Neck Radiation Oncology at UC San Diego Health. His clinical expertise is in both head/neck and gynecologic cancer.

Carie Montesa, MSN, RN, AGACNP-BC
Nurse Practitioner

Specialty:
Cancer
Subspecialty:
Head & Neck Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6197

Bio:
Carie Montesa, MSN, is a board-certified adult gerontology acute-care nurse practitioner (AGACNP-BC) who sees individuals with head and neck cancer. She delivers survivorship care for people at all stages of the cancer journey. Her practice includes monitoring patients for cancer recurrence, educating patients on cancer prevention and promoting a healthy lifestyle through nutrition and exercise.
Cancer - Head & Neck Cancers (cont.)

Ryan K. Orosco, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Minimally Invasive Surgery

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Ryan Orosco, MD, is a board-certified head and neck surgeon who specializes in the surgical treatment of benign and malignant tumors and complex reconstruction of the head and neck. He cares for patients with head and neck tumors, thyroid and parathyroid disorders, and cancer of the face, scalp, nose, mouth, tongue, and throat. Dr. Orosco is skilled in advanced reconstruction techniques, including microvascular free flaps, the transplant of tissue to restore function and appearance. He employs minimally invasive techniques, such as transoral robotic surgery and transoral laser microsurgery, when appropriate.

Brent Rose, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Head & Neck Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Brent Rose, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate cancer, head and neck cancer, skin cancer, brain metastases and primary brain tumors. As a radiation oncologist, Dr. Rose uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. His expertise includes conformal radiation therapy (CRT), intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and high-dose rate (HDR) and low-dose rate (LDR) brachytherapy.
Cancer - Head & Neck Cancers (cont.)

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

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.

Parag Sanghvi, MD, MSPH
Radiation Oncologist
Vice Chair and Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Leukemia & Lymphoma, Melanoma / Skin Cancers
Add'l Languages:
Gujarati, Hindi

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Parag Sanghvi, MD, MSPH, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in the treatment and management of skin cancers, head cancers, neck cancers, leukemias, lymphomas and brain tumors.
Cancer - Head & Neck Cancers (cont.)

Andrew B. Sharabi, MD, PhD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Head & Neck Cancers, Urologic Cancer, Lung Cancer

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Andrew B. Sharabi, MD, PhD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate cancer, head and neck cancer, skin cancers, and cancers that affect the lung area (thoracic malignancies).
Cancer - Immunotherapy

Fotios (Fotis) Asimakopoulos, MB BChir, PhD
Medical Oncologist and Hematologist
Associate Professor of Medicine in Residence

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialties:
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Immunotherapy

Add'l Language:
Greek

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Fotios (Fotis) Asimakopoulos, MB BChir, PhD, is a medical oncologist and hematologist who treats people with plasma cell dyscrasias, also known as plasma cell disorders. His patients may have blood-related diseases such as multiple myeloma, monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS), amyloidosis, and Waldenstrom's macroglobulinemia (a type of lymphoma).

Ezra Cohen, MD, FRCPSC, FASCO
Medical Oncologist
Chief, Division of Hematology-Oncology
Associate Director, Translational Science, Moores Cancer Center
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Ezra Cohen, MD, is a board-certified oncologist and an internationally renowned cancer researcher. He cares for patients with all types of head and neck cancers, including esophageal, thyroid and salivary gland cancers.

Gregory A. Daniels, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-3804

Bio:
Gregory A. Daniels, MD, is a board-certified oncologist. He coordinates care for patients with melanoma, skin cancers, and head and neck cancers.
Cancer - Immunotherapy (cont.)

Natalie Galanina, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Precision Medicine, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Natalie Galanina, MD, is a hematologist who specializes in treating patients with lymphoid malignancies, including lymphoma and leukemia, as well as rare hematologic tumors.

Razelle Kurzrock, MD
Director, Center for Personalized Cancer Therapy
Senior Deputy Director for Clinical Science, Moores Cancer Center
Chief, Division of Hematology-Oncology, Department of Medicine

Specialty:
Cancer
Subspecialties:
Precision Medicine, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-2372

Bio:
Razelle Kurzrock, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist and a renowned expert in precision medicine. Precision medicine, also called personalized therapy, uses molecular tumor testing to match each patient with the best possible treatment. As director of the Center for Personalized Cancer Therapy, she cares for patients with all types of cancer who may benefit from clinical trials of experimental therapies. She also has a special interest in rare tumors.
Cancer - Immunotherapy (cont.)

Sandip P. Patel, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Lung Cancer, Immunotherapy, Precision Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 822-5182

Bio:
Sandip Patel, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in cancer immunotherapy and early phase clinical trials involving immunotherapy across all types of cancer. He is focused on developing personalized therapies that stimulate a patient’s immune system to attack their specific tumor. He is part of UC San Diego Health’s Precision Immunotherapy Clinic, which offers the most promising investigational immunotherapy treatments for many types of cancer.
Cancer - Leukemia & Lymphoma

Fotios (Fotis) Asimakopoulos, MB BChir, PhD
Medical Oncologist and Hematologist
Associate Professor of Medicine In Residence

Specialties:
- Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialties:
- Leukemia & Lymphoma, Immunotherapy

Add'l Language:
- Greek

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Fotios (Fotis) Asimakopoulos, MB BChir, PhD, is a medical oncologist and hematologist who treats people with plasma cell dyscrasias, also known as plasma cell disorders. His patients may have blood-related diseases such as multiple myeloma, monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS), amyloidosis, and Waldenstrom's macroglobulinemia (a type of lymphoma).

Edward (Ted) Ball, MD
Director, Blood and Marrow Transplant Program
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
- Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialty:
- Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Edward "Ted" Ball, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who treats individuals with blood-related cancers such as leukemia and lymphoma. In his role as director and chief of the UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, he leads an interdisciplinary team of physicians, advanced practitioners, nurses, social workers and support staff. Dr. Ball offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient's own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.
Cancer - Leukemia & Lymphoma (cont.)

Rafael Bejar, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist and Hematologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Dr. Rafael Bejar, MD, PhD, is board-certified in internal medicine, medical oncology, and hematology, with a special interest in hematologic malignancies (blood cancers). He specializes in the care of patients with myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) and related blood disorders.

Caitlin Costello, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Caitlin Costello, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating a variety of blood cancers, including multiple myeloma, lymphoma, and leukemia. She is part of the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial consultation and diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care throughout stem cell transplants, and follow-up survivorship care.

Andrew (Drew) Bruggeman, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer, Palliative Care

Subspecialties:
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Andrew Bruggeman, MD, is a radiation oncologist who specializes in using therapeutic radiation for palliative care. He works closely with the palliative care team at Moores Cancer Center to provide relief with palliative radiotherapy to people with cancer. He also treats patients with lymphoma and brain cancers.
Cancer - Leukemia & Lymphoma (cont.)

Peter T. Curtin, MD
Clinical Director, Blood and Marrow Transplantation
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Peter Curtin, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and oncologist who treats patients with blood-related cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma, myelodysplastic syndrome and myeloma. In his role as clinical director of Blood and Marrow Transplantation at UC San Diego Health, he leads an interdisciplinary team of physicians, advanced practitioners, nurses, social workers and support staff. Dr. Curtin offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

Natalie Galanina, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Precision Medicine, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Natalie Galanina, MD, is a hematologist who specializes in treating patients with lymphoid malignancies, including lymphoma and leukemia, as well as rare hematologic tumors.

Aaron Goodman, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Medical Oncology

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Aaron Goodman, MD, is a hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating a variety of blood cancers, including acute myeloid leukemia (AML), acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL) and multiple myeloma. He performs stem cell transplants for cancer treatment, including autologous (stem cells come from the individual receiving the transplant) and allogeneic (stem cells come from a matched donor) transplants.
Cancer - Leukemia & Lymphoma \textit{(cont.)}

Ayad Hamdan, MD
Hematologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

\textbf{Specialties:}
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

\textbf{Subspecialty:}
Leukemia & Lymphoma

\textbf{Add'l Language:}
Arabic

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

\textbf{Contact:}
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

\textbf{Bio:}
Ayad Hamdan, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including lymphoma, multiple myeloma, leukemia, myeloproliferative neoplasms and myelodysplastic syndromes. He offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

Benjamin Heyman, MD
Hematologist

\textbf{Specialties:}
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

\textbf{Subspecialty:}
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Moores Cancer Center

\textbf{Contact:}
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

\textbf{Bio:}
Benjamin Heyman, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who treats patients with blood cancers such as lymphoma, leukemia and myeloma.

Catriona Jamieson, MD, PhD
Professor of Medicine

\textbf{Specialties:}
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

\textbf{Subspecialty:}
Leukemia & Lymphoma

\textbf{Add'l Languages:}
French, Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

\textbf{Contact:}
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

\textbf{Bio:}
Catriona Jamieson, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist with broad clinical expertise in caring for patients with hematologic malignancies. As hematology team leader for the Division of Hematology/Oncology at UC San Diego Health Moores Cancer Center, Dr. Jamieson’s clinical interests include the treatment of myeloproliferative neoplasms including chronic myeloid leukemia (CML), polycythemia vera (PV), myelofibrosis and essential thrombocythemia. She is also the principal investigator on several clinical trials for the treatment of these and related bone marrow disorders.
Cancer - Leukemia & Lymphoma (cont.)

Dan S. Kaufman, MD, PhD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Dan Kaufman, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in caring for patients with blood cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma. He is one of the physicians with the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial consultation and diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care during stem cell transplant procedures, and follow-up survivorship care. Dr. Kaufman’s expertise and areas of interest include cell-based immunotherapies, stem cells, regenerative medicine and natural killer (NK) cell-mediated therapy. He offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

Thomas James Kipps, MD, PhD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
German

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Thomas J. Kipps, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist with a distinguished career in cancer research. He currently serves as the Deputy Director of Research Operations for UC San Diego Moores Cancer Center. He is the author of more than 200 publications and is the principal investigator on several peer-reviewed grants, including the NCI award for the Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia Consortium involving collaboration with eight other cancer centers.
Cancer - Leukemia & Lymphoma (cont.)

Divya T. Koura, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma
Add'l Language:
Hindi

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Divya T. Koura, MD is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including leukemia, lymphoma and multiple myeloma. She is part of the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care during stem cell transplant procedures, and follow-up survivorship care.

James K. Mangan, MD, PhD
Hematologist / Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
James K. Mangan, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating people with blood cancers, including acute lymphocytic leukemia, acute myelogenous leukemia, chronic lymphocytic leukemia, and chronic myeloid leukemia. He also has expertise in treating people with myelodysplastic syndromes, myeloproliferative neoplasms, aplastic anemia, lymphoma, and myeloma.
Carolyn Mulroney, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Carolyn Mulroney, MD, is a hematologist and medical oncologist who provides autologous and allogeneic transplants to adults with a wide range of blood cancers and blood disorders, including lymphoma, leukemia, anemia, Langerhans cell histiocytosis (LCH), myelodysplasia, multiple myeloma, light-chain (AL) amyloidosis and graft versus host disease (GVHD). Dr. Mulroney offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

Arno J. Mundt, MD, FACRO, FASTRO
Radiation Oncologist
Professor and Chair of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Gynecological Cancers, Leukemia & Lymphoma
Add'l Languages:
French, German, Italian

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Arno J. Mundt, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist whose expertise is in gynecologic and prostate cancers using a variety of novel treatment modalities, including image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT).

Erin Reid, MD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer, HIV/AIDS
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Erin Reid, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating patients with a wide range of hematologic and HIV-related malignancies, including lymphoma and Kaposi sarcoma. She sees patients at both Moores Cancer Center and the Owen Clinic, a comprehensive HIV care center.
Cancer - Leukemia & Lymphoma (cont.)

Parag Sanghvi, MD, MSPH
Radiation Oncologist
Vice Chair and Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Leukemia & Lymphoma, Melanoma / Skin Cancers
Add'l Languages:
Gujarati, Hindi

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Parag Sanghvi, MD, MSPH, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in the treatment and management of skin cancers, head cancers, neck cancers, leukemias, lymphomas and brain tumors.

Tiffany N. Tanaka, MD
Hematologist

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Tiffany N. Tanaka, MD, is a board-certified hematologist specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of blood cancers and blood disorders, with an emphasis on myeloid malignancies.

Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma
Add'l Languages:
German, Greek

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including lymphoma, myeloma, leukemia, myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) and myeloproliferative neoplasms (MPN). He is a transplant physician for the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides comprehensive blood and marrow transplant services, including autologous and allogeneic stem cell transplantation.
Cancer - Leukemia & Lymphoma (cont.)

Matthew Wieduwilt, MD, PhD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Matthew Wieduwilt, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who cares for people with blood cancers, with a special focus in acute leukemia and bone marrow transplantation. He is a part of the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment.
Cancer - Lung Cancer

Lyudmila A. Bazhenova, MD
Medical Oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Lung Cancer

Add'l Language:
Russian

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

Bio:
Lyudmila A. Bazhenova, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist. Her clinical practice is devoted to patients with all types of lung cancer, and she has particular expertise with female patients and nonsmokers.

George Z. Cheng, MD, PhD
Interventional Pulmonologist
Medical Director, Interventional Pulmonary, Bronchoscopy and Pleural Services
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Pulmonology (Lung), Cancer

Subspecialties:
Interventional Pulmonology, Lung Cancer, Critical Care

Add'l Language:
Mandarin

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5840
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
George Cheng, MD, PhD, is a board-certified pulmonologist who specializes in interventional pulmonology. He performs minimally invasive procedures for diagnosis and treatment of lung and pleural diseases. These include malignant and benign diseases of the lung, such as lung cancer, sarcoidosis, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), pulmonary fibrosis and other conditions. Dr. Cheng specializes in treating airway problems such as airway tumors, airway narrowing, asthma, COPD, and pleural disease (i.e. fluid around the lung) with minimally invasive approaches. He serves as the medical director of interventional pulmonary, bronchoscopy and pleural services.
Kathryn A. Gold, MD  
Medical Oncologist  
Associate Professor of Medicine  

Specialties:  
Medical Oncology, Cancer  

Subspecialties:  
Head & Neck Cancers, Lung Cancer  

Moores Cancer Center  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5182  

Bio:  
Kathryn A. Gold, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating cancers of the lung, head and neck. She uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, biological therapy and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for her patients.

Hatim Husain, MD  
Medical Oncologist  
Associate Professor of Medicine  

Specialties:  
Medical Oncology, Cancer  

Subspecialties:  
Lung Cancer, Neurological Oncology  
Add'l Languages:  
Spanish, Urdu  

Moores Cancer Center  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5182  

Bio:  
Hatim Husain, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating cancers of the lung, head and neck. He strives to provide the highest level of care for his patients and their families. Dr. Husain uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, hormonal, biological, and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options.

Scott M. Lippman, MD  
Director, Moores Cancer Center  
Professor of Medicine  
Senior Associate Dean and Associate Vice Chancellor, Cancer Research and Care  

Specialty:  
Cancer  

Subspecialties:  
Precision Medicine, Head & Neck Cancers, Lung Cancer  

Moores Cancer Center  

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

Bio:  
Scott M. Lippman, MD, is director of Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health, professor of Medicine at UC San Diego School of Medicine, senior associate dean and associate vice chancellor for Cancer Research and Care and holds the Chugai Pharmaceutical Chair in Cancer. He is also an adjunct professor at the Salk Institute, the Sanford-Burnham Medical Research Institute and MD Anderson Cancer Center.

William Mitchell, MD  
Medical Oncologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine  

Specialties:  
Medical Oncology, Cancer, Palliative Care  

Subspecialties:  
Lung Cancer  

Moores Cancer Center  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061  

Bio:  
William Mitchell, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist. He cares for patients with all kinds of thoracic cancer, including lung cancer, mesothelioma and thymomas.
Cancer - Lung Cancer (cont.)

Mark W. Onaitis, MD
Thoracic Surgeon
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Lung Cancer, Minimally Invasive Surgery

Moores Cancer Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Surgery: (877) 586-4727
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (619) 543-5761

Bio:
Mark Onaitis, MD, is a board-certified thoracic surgeon who specializes in malignant and benign conditions of the chest, including lung cancer, esophageal cancer, thymic malignancy, gastroesophageal reflux, achalasia, paraesophageal hernia, and myasthenia gravis. He uses minimally invasive approaches – thoracoscopy and robotics – to treat these conditions.

Sandip P. Patel, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Lung Cancer, Immunotherapy, Precision Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5761

Bio:
Sandip Patel, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in cancer immunotherapy and early phase clinical trials involving immunotherapy across all types of cancer. He is focused on developing personalized therapies that stimulate a patient’s immune system to attack their specific tumor. He is part of UC San Diego Health’s Precision Immunotherapy Clinic, which offers the most promising investigational immunotherapy treatments for many types of cancer.
Cancer - Lung Cancer (cont.)

Ajay Sandhu, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Medical Director and Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Lung Cancer, Urologic Cancer

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Punjabi

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Ajay Sandhu, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating genitourinary cancers, lung cancer and sarcoma. In particular, he is interested in the application of novel radiotherapeutic approaches in these diseases including intensity-modulated radiotherapy (IMRT), image-guided radiotherapy (IGRT), and four-dimensional computed tomography (4DCT), stereotactic body radiotherapy (SBRT) and respiratory gating.

Andrew B. Sharabi, MD, PhD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Head & Neck Cancers, Urologic Cancer, Lung Cancer

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Andrew B. Sharabi, MD, PhD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate cancer, head and neck cancer, skin cancers, and cancers that affect the lung area (thoracic malignancies).

Laura Toppen, DNP
Nurse Practitioner

Specialty:
Cancer

Subspecialty:
Lung Cancer

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Laura Toppen DNP, is a certified nurse practitioner who works in the lung cancer screening program. She has expertise and sub-specialty training in helping patients with cardiothoracic and vascular conditions.
Cancer - Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Joel M. Baumgartner, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Surgical Oncology, Pancreatic Cancer, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Joel M. Baumgartner, MD, is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the gastrointestinal (GI) tract. He treats tumors that have metastasized to the abdomen, using treatment known as the "chemo bath" or hyperthermic (heated) intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC). This treatment involves surgical resection of all tumors followed by circulation of heated chemotherapy throughout the abdomen. This technique avoids many of the toxicities associated with systemic chemotherapy, while exposing the abdomen to higher concentrations of chemotherapy.

Kevin Thomas Brumund, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Kevin Brumund, MD, is a board-certified head and neck surgeon whose practice is dedicated solely to the treatment of head and neck tumors. Dr. Brumund has extensive training and experience in cancer surgery and specializes in treating both benign and malignant tumors of the head and neck. This includes tumors of the entire upper aerodigestive tract (mouth, throat, nose, sinuses, and voice box), salivary glands (parotid and submandibular glands), neck, facial skin, thyroid and parathyroid glands.

Gregory A. Daniels, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-3804

Bio:
Gregory A. Daniels, MD, is a board-certified oncologist. He coordinates care for patients with melanoma, skin cancers, and head and neck cancers.
Cancer - Melanoma / Skin Cancers (cont.)

Kaitlyn Kelly, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Surgical Oncology, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Kaitlyn Kelly, MD, is a surgical oncologist with board certification in general surgery and complex general surgical oncology. Her expertise includes treating benign and malignant gastrointestinal (GI) and endocrine diseases including those of the esophagus, stomach, pancreas, liver, bile ducts, gallbladder, thyroid, and parathyroids, as well as skin cancers and soft-tissue sarcomas.

Loren K. Mell, MD
Chief, Head and Neck Malignancy Service
Vice Chair, Clinical and Translational Research
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Gynecological Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Dr. Loren Mell is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating head and neck and gynecologic cancers. He is vice chair of Clinical and Translational Research for the Department of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences at UC San Diego School of Medicine, and is chief of Head and Neck Radiation Oncology at UC San Diego Health. His clinical expertise is in both head/neck and gynecologic cancer.

Mina Nikanjam, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Precision Medicine

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Mina Nikanjam, MD, PhD, is a medical oncologist who specializes in treating melanoma and other skin cancers, as well as rare tumors. She also specializes in experimental therapeutics and early phase clinical trials with the goal of providing patients with state of the art treatments. Many of these novel therapies are designed to be more effective with less toxicity and targeted for individualized therapy.
Cancer - Melanoma / Skin Cancers (cont.)

Brent Rose, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Head & Neck Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Brent Rose, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate cancer, head and neck cancer, skin cancer, brain metastases and primary brain tumors. As a radiation oncologist, Dr. Rose uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. His expertise includes conformal radiation therapy (CRT), intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and high-dose rate (HDR) and low-dose rate (LDR) brachytherapy.

Parag Sanghvi, MD, MSPH
Radiation Oncologist
Vice Chair and Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Leukemia & Lymphoma, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Add'l Languages:
Gujarati, Hindi

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Parag Sanghvi, MD, MSPH, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in the treatment and management of skin cancers, head cancers, neck cancers, leukemias, lymphomas and brain tumors.
Cancer - Melanoma / Skin Cancers (cont.)

Andrew B. Sharabi, MD, PhD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Head & Neck Cancers, Urologic Cancer, Lung Cancer
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Andrew B. Sharabi, MD, PhD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate cancer, head and neck cancer, skin cancers, and cancers that affect the lung area (thoracic malignancies).
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

Add'l Language:
Italian

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Thomas Beaumont, MD, PhD, is a neurosurgeon who specializes in skull base and minimally invasive cranial surgery. He performs both open microsurgery and endoscopic approaches for brain, skull base and pituitary tumors where he tailors the surgical approach to provide maximally effective yet minimally invasive neurosurgical care. Dr. Beaumont has a passion for the treatment of meningiomas, pituitary tumors, craniopharyngiomas and clival chordomas, and is an expert in the endoscopic endonasal approach (EEA). Additionally, he treats cavernous malformations, cranial nerve compression syndromes and craniocervical junction disease.

Andrew (Drew) Bruggeman, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer, Palliative Care

Subspecialties:
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Andrew Bruggeman, MD, is a radiation oncologist who specializes in using therapeutic radiation for palliative care. He works closely with the palliative care team at Moores Cancer Center to provide relief with palliative radiotherapy to people with cancer. He also treats patients with lymphoma and brain cancers.
Cancer - Neurological Oncology (cont.)

Jona Hattangadi-Gluth, MD
Chief of Central Nervous System Tumor Service, Radiation Oncology
Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

**Specialties:**
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Neurological Oncology, Breast Cancer

Moore's Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

**Bio:**
Jona Hattangadi-Gluth, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating primary and metastatic brain tumors, as well as breast cancer. As a radiation oncologist, she uses high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. Her expertise includes stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) and stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT).

Hatim Husain, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**
Medical Oncology, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Lung Cancer, Neurological Oncology

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

Moore's Cancer Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5182

**Bio:**
Hatim Husain, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating lung cancer and brain tumors. He strives to provide the highest level of care for his patients and their families. Dr. Husain uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, hormonal, biological, and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options.

David Piccioni, MD, PhD
Neuro-Oncologist
Associate Professor of Neurosciences
Director of Clinical Neuro-Oncology

**Specialties:**
Cancer, Neurology

**Subspecialty:**
Neurological Oncology

Moore's Cancer Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6346

**Bio:**
David Piccioni, MD, PhD, is a certified neuro-oncologist and board-certified neurologist who specializes in treating primary and metastatic tumors of the brain and nervous system. He also has expertise in treating neurological complications of cancer and side effects of brain cancer treatment, such as headaches and seizures.
Cancer - Neurological Oncology (cont.)

Jeremy N. Rich, MD, MHS
Neuro-oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Neurology
Subspecialty:
Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Jeremy Rich, MD, MHS, MBA, is a certified neuro-oncologist and renowned physician-scientist who specializes in diagnosing and treating brain tumors, including gliomas (e.g. glioblastoma, astrocytoma, brainstem glioma, ependymoma, and oligodendroglioma) and brain metastases. As part of a multidisciplinary approach, Dr. Rich works closely with neurosurgeons and medical and radiation oncologists to provide comprehensive treatment plans unique to each patient.

Brent Rose, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Head & Neck Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Brent Rose, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate cancer, head and neck cancer, skin cancer, brain metastases and primary brain tumors. As a radiation oncologist, Dr. Rose uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. His expertise includes conformal radiation therapy (CRT), intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and high-dose rate (HDR) and low-dose rate (LDR) brachytherapy.
Cancer - Neurological Oncology (cont.)

Parag Sanghvi, MD, MSPH
Radiation Oncologist
Vice Chair and Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Leukemia & Lymphoma, Melanoma / Skin Cancers
Add'l Languages:
Gujarati, Hindi

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Parag Sanghvi, MD, MSPH, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in the treatment and management of skin cancers, head cancers, neck cancers, leukemias, lymphomas and brain tumors.

Marc S. Schwartz, MD
Neurosurgeon

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Neurosurgery: (619) 543-5540
Direct Clinic Line - ENT/Head & Neck Surgery: (858) 657-8590
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Marc Schwartz, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who is an internationally renowned expert on the treatment of patients with acoustic neuromas, skull base tumors, and neurofibromatosis type 2 (NF2). He is also the recognized neurosurgical leader in the field of auditory brainstem implants. In addition, Dr. Schwartz treats complex cranial problems, meningiomas, brain tumors, pituitary tumors, cranial nerve disorders, and intradural spine tumors.
Cancer - Neurological Oncology (cont.)

Daniel R. Simpson, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View Road
Chula Vista - Lane Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Daniel R. Simpson, MD, is a radiation oncologist who specializes in treating cancer of the liver, gastrointestinal tract and central nervous system (the brain and spinal cord). Dr. Simpson uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. He is experienced in intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT), stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) and stereotactic body radiotherapy (SBRT). Dr. Simpson also manages the care and treatment of cancer patients and works closely with other doctors, including medical and surgical oncologists, to provide comprehensive care.
Cancer - Pancreatic Cancer

Joel M. Baumgartner, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Surgical Oncology, Pancreatic Cancer, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Joel M. Baumgartner, MD, is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the gastrointestinal (GI) tract. He treats tumors that have metastasized to the abdomen, using treatment known as the “chemo bath” or hyperthermic (heated) intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC). This treatment involves surgical resection of all tumors followed by circulation of heated chemotherapy throughout the abdomen. This technique avoids many of the toxicities associated with systemic chemotherapy, while exposing the abdomen to higher concentrations of chemotherapy.

Michael Bouvet, MD
Director of Endocrine Surgery
Professor of Surgery
Co-Director, Center for Fluorescence-Guided Surgery

Specialties:
Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7000

Bio:
Michael Bouvet, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in endocrine surgery and surgical oncology. He is the director of Endocrine Surgery and co-director of the Gastrointestinal Cancer Unit at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Bouvet's expertise includes performing surgery for benign and cancerous thyroid nodules; parathyroidectomy for hyperparathyroidism, Whipple procedures (pancreatoduodenectomy) for pancreatic cancer; minimally invasive robotic-assisted esophagectomy; and laparoscopic adrenal surgery. He also performs surgery for tumors of the parathyroid glands, adrenal glands, liver, esophagus, stomach and pancreas.
Cancer - Pancreatic Cancer (cont.)

**Bryan Clary, MD, FACS**  
Surgeon-In-Chief  
Chair and Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**  
Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**  
Pancreatic Cancer, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology

**Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center**  
Moores Cancer Center  
Jacobs Medical Center

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

**Bio:**  
Bryan Clary, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who provides surgical care for patients with diseases of the liver, pancreas and bile ducts. He is a part of the gastrointestinal and pancreatic cancer teams at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Clary has extensive experience in performing surgeries associated with cancers of the liver, pancreas, gallbladder, and bile ducts. He is nationally recognized for excellent outcomes following these complex procedures.

**Paul T. Fanta, MD**  
Medical Oncologist  
Associate Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Medical Oncology, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**  
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Pancreatic Cancer

**Jacobs Medical Center**  
Moores Cancer Center  
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 657-6100  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7000

**Bio:**  
Paul T. Fanta, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal cancers. Because the diagnosis and management of gastrointestinal cancers has dramatically changed in the past several years, his research interests include how to incorporate biotechnology, bioinformatics, molecular analyses and pharmacogenomic data in the setting of prospective clinical trials—with the results of better identifying patients who will benefit from chemotherapy, avoiding toxicities from treatment, and developing a predictive therapeutic strategy unique to a patient's disease.
Kaitlyn Kelly, MD  
Surgical Oncologist  
Assistant Professor of Surgery 

Specialties: 
Surgery, Cancer 

Subspecialties: 
Surgical Oncology, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery 

Moores Cancer Center 

Contact: 
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703 

Bio: 
Kaitlyn Kelly, MD, is a surgical oncologist with board certification in general surgery and complex general surgical oncology. Her expertise includes treating benign and malignant gastrointestinal (GI) and endocrine diseases including those of the esophagus, stomach, pancreas, liver, bile ducts, gallbladder, thyroid, and parathyroids, as well as skin cancers and soft-tissue sarcomas.

Andrew M. Lowy, MD, FACS  
Chief, Division of Surgical Oncology  
Professor of Surgery 

Specialties: 
Surgery, Cancer 

Subspecialties: 
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery 

Add'l Language: 
Spanish 

Moores Cancer Center 

Contact: 
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703 

Bio: 
Andrew M. Lowy, MD is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the pancreas and GI tract. Dr. Lowy is recognized worldwide for his expertise in pancreatic cancer surgery and in the management of complex gastrointestinal cancers. He is also known for investigating novel cancer treatments, including heated intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC), to treat advanced abdominal cancers.
Cancer - Pancreatic Cancer (cont.)

James D. Murphy, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Pancreatic Cancer, Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
James D. Murphy, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in gastrointestinal cancers and palliative radiotherapy. Within the radiation oncology team, Dr. Murphy is chief of the Gastrointestinal Tumor Service and chief of palliative radiation therapy.

Tony Reid, MD, PhD
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100 Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6191

Bio:
As a physician, I strongly believe that we need better and more advanced therapies to treat cancer, but I also feel it is very important to carefully tailor the treatment to the individual patient. There is an increasing array of options for treatment for cancer including chemotherapy, targeted therapies, surgery and radiation and many patients need a combined and coordinated strategy that may include several of these options to achieve the optimal results. We have excellent surgeons and radiation therapists at UC San Diego Healthcare and we work closely as a team to provide the best possible care for our patients.
Cancer -Precision Medicine

Ramez N. Eskander, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers, Precision Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas:: (760) 536-7700

Bio:
Ramez Eskander, MD, is a board-certified gynecologic oncologist who specializes in the surgical management of female reproductive system cancers, including ovarian, uterine, cervical, vulvar and vaginal cancer. His expertise includes diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, including minimally invasive (robotic) surgery, chemotherapy and novel drugs. Dr. Eskander is also experienced in clinical trial development and aims to provide individuals with access to innovative medicines during their treatment.

Paul T. Fanta, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Pancreatic Cancer

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 657-7000

Bio:
Paul T. Fanta, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal cancers. Because the diagnosis and management of gastrointestinal cancers has dramatically changed in the past several years, his research interests include how to incorporate biotechnology, bioinformatics, molecular analyses and pharmacogenomic data in the setting of prospective clinical trials—with the results of better identifying patients who will benefit from chemotherapy, avoiding toxicities from treatment, and developing a predictive therapeutic strategy unique to a patient's disease.
Cancer - Precision Medicine (cont.)

Natalie Galanina, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Precision Medicine, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Natalie Galanina, MD, is a hematologist who specializes in treating patients with lymphoid malignancies, including lymphoma and leukemia, as well as rare hematologic tumors.

Shumei Kato, MD
Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine
Add'l Language:
Japanese

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-2372

Bio:
Shumei Kato, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating rare cancers and gastrointestinal tumors. He uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, biological therapy, immunotherapy and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for his patients. Dr. Kato has a special interest in targeted molecular therapy and his approach to care emphasizes personalized medicine and experimental therapeutics.
Razelle Kurzrock, MD  
Director, Center for Personalized Cancer Therapy  
Senior Deputy Director for Clinical Science, Moores Cancer Center  
Chief, Division of Hematology-Oncology, Department of Medicine  

Specialty:  
Cancer  

Subspecialties:  
Precision Medicine, Immunotherapy  

Moores Cancer Center  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-2372  

Bio:  
Razelle Kurzrock, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist and a renowned expert in precision medicine. Precision medicine, also called personalized therapy, uses molecular tumor testing to match each patient with the best possible treatment. As director of the Center for Personalized Cancer Therapy, she cares for patients with all types of cancer who may benefit from clinical trials of experimental therapies. She also has a special interest in rare tumors.

Scott M. Lippman, MD  
Director, Moores Cancer Center  
Professor of Medicine  
Senior Associate Dean and Associate Vice Chancellor, Cancer Research and Care  

Specialty:  
Cancer  

Subspecialties:  
Precision Medicine, Head & Neck Cancers, Lung Cancer  

Moores Cancer Center  

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

Bio:  
Scott M. Lippman, MD, is director of Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health, professor of Medicine at UC San Diego School of Medicine, senior associate dean and associate vice chancellor for Cancer Research and Care and holds the Chugai Pharmaceutical Chair in Cancer. He is also an adjunct professor at the Salk Institute, the Sanford-Burnham Medical Research Institute and MD Anderson Cancer Center.
Cancer - Precision Medicine (cont.)

Mina Nikanjam, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Precision Medicine

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Mina Nikanjam, MD, PhD, is a medical oncologist who specializes in treating melanoma and other skin cancers, as well as rare tumors. She also specializes in experimental therapeutics and early phase clinical trials with the goal of providing patients with state of the art treatments. Many of these novel therapies are designed to be more effective with less toxicity and targeted for individualized therapy.

Sandip P. Patel, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Lung Cancer, Immunotherapy, Precision Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5182

Bio:
Sandip Patel, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in cancer immunotherapy and early phase clinical trials involving immunotherapy across all types of cancer. He is focused on developing personalized therapies that stimulate a patient’s immune system to attack their specific tumor. He is part of UC San Diego Health’s Precision Immunotherapy Clinic, which offers the most promising investigational immunotherapy treatments for many types of cancer.

Barbara A Parker, MD
Breast Medical Oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Precision Medicine, Breast Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

Bio:
Barbara A. Parker, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist. She has extensive experience treating and managing breast cancer. Her top priority is to provide excellent patient care consisting of access to new therapies.
Jason Sicklick, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6173

Bio:
Jason Sicklick, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating hepatobiliary diseases and sarcomas, including gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST). He has a special interest in abdominal and retroperitoneal sarcomas, primary liver tumors and colorectal and neuroendocrine cancers that have metastasized to the liver.
Cancer - Psychosocial Oncology

**Molly Berman, PsyD**
Psychologist  
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

**Specialties:**  
Psychology, Cancer  
**Subspecialty:**  
Psychosocial Oncology

**Moores Cancer Center**  
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Patient & Family Support Services: (858) 822-5381  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

**Bio:**  
Molly Berman, PsyD, is a licensed clinical psychologist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, she provides psychological assessment, diagnosis or ongoing therapy for patients and families who are experiencing issues that are either related to the cancer experience or interfering with cancer treatment. In addition, she also works with the cystic fibrosis team and provides evidence-based treatments (such as cognitive behavioral therapy or acceptance and commitment therapy) to cystic fibrosis patients.

**Veronica Cardenas, PhD**
Psychologist  
Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry

**Specialties:**  
Psychology, Cancer  
**Subspecialty:**  
Psychosocial Oncology  
**Add'l Language:**  
Spanish

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**  
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5381

**Bio:**  
Veronica Cardenas, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, she provides psychological assessment, diagnosis or ongoing therapy for patients and families who are experiencing issues that are either related to the cancer experience or are interfering with cancer treatment.
Cancer - Psychosocial Oncology (cont.)

Jeremy Hirst, MD
Psychiatrist
Associate Director, Patient and Family Support Services, Moores Cancer Center

Specialties:
Psychiatry, Palliative Care, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Psychosocial Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Jeremy Hirst, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, he 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. He can provide psychiatric assessments, treatment and medication management.

Alan J. Hsu, MD
Psychiatrist
Associate Professor of Psychiatry

Specialties:
Psychiatry, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Psychosocial Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5381

Bio:
Alan John Hsu, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist who specializes in treating cancer patients struggling with mood and anxiety issues brought on by cancer. He also sees individuals with cancer who have pre-existing mental health challenges.

Brent T. Mausbach, PhD
Clinical Psychologist
Associate Professor

Specialties:
Psychology, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Psychosocial Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5381

Bio:
Brent T. Mausbach, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, he provides psychological assessment, diagnosis or ongoing therapy for patient and families who are experiencing issues that are either related to the cancer experience or are interfering with cancer treatment.
Cancer - Psychosocial Oncology (cont.)

Emily Meier, PhD
Psychologist
Assistant Professor Psychiatry

Specialties:
Psychology, Cancer
Subspeciality:
Psychosocial Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5381

Bio:
Emily Meier, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, she provides psychological assessment, diagnosis or ongoing therapy for patients and families who are experiencing issues that are either related to the cancer experience or interfering with cancer treatment. In individual or group psychotherapy, she focuses on issues including depression, anxiety, communication, stress reduction, insomnia, grief or other psychological or emotional issues.

Maria Tiamson-Kassab, MD

Specialties:
Psychiatry, Palliative Care, Cancer
Subspeciality:
Psychosocial Oncology

Add'l Language:
Tagalog

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

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.
Cancer - Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)

Sarah G. Boles, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Breast Cancer, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

Bio:
"I will strive to provide state-of-the-art care for patients with breast cancer, sarcoma and blood disorders, including access to clinical trials."

John P. Einck, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gynecological Cancers, Urologic Cancer, Breast Cancer, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Dr. John Einck is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating genitourinary cancers, lung cancer and sarcoma. In particular, he is interested in the application of novel radiotherapeutic approaches in these diseases including intensity-modulated radiotherapy (IMRT), image-guided radiotherapy (IGRT), and four-dimensional computed tomography (4DCT), stereotactic body radiotherapy (SBRT) and respiratory gating.

Ajay Sandhu, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Medical Director and Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Lung Cancer, Urologic Cancer
Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Punjabi

Moores Cancer Center
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Ajay Sandhu, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating genitourinary cancers, lung cancer and sarcoma. In particular, he is interested in the application of novel radiotherapeutic approaches in these diseases including intensity-modulated radiotherapy (IMRT), image-guided radiotherapy (IGRT), and four-dimensional computed tomography (4DCT), stereotactic body radiotherapy (SBRT) and respiratory gating.
Cancer - Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue) (cont.)

**Jason Sicklick, MD, FACS**  
Surgical Oncologist  
Associate Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**  
Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**  
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

**Add'l Language:**  
Spanish

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 657-6100  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6173

**Bio:**  
Jason Sicklick, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating hepatobiliary diseases and sarcomas, including gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST). He has a special interest in abdominal and retroperitoneal sarcomas, primary liver tumors and colorectal and neuroendocrine cancers that have metastasized to the liver.

**Jula Veerapong, MD**  
Surgical Oncologist  
Associate Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**  
Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**  
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

**Bio:**  
Jula Veerapong, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal malignancies. He is an expert in peritoneal surface malignancies, which include cancers that have originated from or spread to the peritoneal lining (lining of the abdominal cavity). He treats people with pseudomyxoma peritonei, appendiceal cancer (low grade and high grade), colorectal cancer, sarcomas (desmoplastic small round cell tumors), mesothelioma, and gynecologic malignancies (epithelial ovarian cancer, primary peritoneal carcinoma, borderline mucinous tumor of the ovary).
Cancer - Urologic Cancer

John P. Einck, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecological Cancers, Urologic Cancer, Breast Cancer, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Dr. John Einck is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate and other genitourinary cancers, as well as breast and gynecologic cancer. He is co-chair of the radiation oncology team's brachytherapy program.

Arno J. Mundt, MD, FACRO, FASTRO
Radiation Oncologist
Professor and Chair of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Gynecological Cancers, Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Languages:
French, German, Italian

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Arno J. Mundt, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist whose expertise is in gynecologic and prostate cancers using a variety of novel treatment modalities, including image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT).
Cancer - Urologic Cancer (cont.)

Brent Rose, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Head & Neck Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Brent Rose, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate cancer, head and neck cancer, skin cancer, brain metastases and primary brain tumors. As a radiation oncologist, Dr. Rose uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. His expertise includes conformal radiation therapy (CRT), intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and high-dose rate (HDR) and low-dose rate (LDR) brachytherapy.

Kyoko Sakamoto, MD
Urologist
Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer, Urologic Cancer

Add'l Language:
Japanese

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Kyoko Sakamoto, MD, is a board-certified urologist who specializes in laparoscopy and endourology. Her additional interests are neurourology and general urology.
Cancer - Urologic Cancer (cont.)

Ajay Sandhu, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Medical Director and Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Lung Cancer, Urologic Cancer

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Punjabi

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Ajay Sandhu, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating genitourinary cancers, lung cancer and sarcoma. In particular, he is interested in the application of novel radiotherapeutic approaches in these diseases including intensity-modulated radiotherapy (IMRT), image-guided radiotherapy (IGRT), and four-dimensional computed tomography (4DCT), stereotactic body radiotherapy (SBRT) and respiratory gating.

Andrew B. Sharabi, MD, PhD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Head & Neck Cancers, Urologic Cancer, Lung Cancer

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Andrew B. Sharabi, MD, PhD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate cancer, head and neck cancer, skin cancers, and cancers that affect the lung area (thoracic malignancies).
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery

Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery specializes in operations to the heart, chest or both — generally includes treatment for heart and lung diseases and conditions. Learn more about cardiothoracic (heart and lung) surgery at UC San Diego Health.

Mark W. Onaitis, MD
Thoracic Surgeon
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Lung Cancer, Minimally Invasive Surgery

Moores Cancer Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Surgery: (877) 586-4727
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Mark Onaitis, MD, is a board-certified thoracic surgeon who specializes in malignant and benign conditions of the chest, including lung cancer, esophageal cancer, thymic malignancy, gastroesophageal reflux, achalasia, paraesophageal hernia, and myasthenia gravis. He uses minimally invasive approaches – thoracoscopy and robotics – to treat these conditions.
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology) - Head & Neck Surgery Oncology

Kevin Thomas Brumund, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Kevin Brumund, MD, is a board-certified head and neck surgeon whose practice is dedicated solely to the treatment of head and neck tumors. Dr. Brumund has extensive training and experience in cancer surgery and specializes in treating both benign and malignant tumors of the head and neck. This includes tumors of the entire upper aerodigestive tract (mouth, throat, nose, sinuses, and voice box), salivary glands (parotid and submandibular glands), neck, facial skin, thyroid and parathyroid glands.

Joseph A. Califano, III, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Physician in Chief, Moores Cancer Center
Director, Head and Neck Cancer Center

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Joseph A. Califano, III, MD, is a board-certified otolaryngologist who specializes in head and neck surgical oncology, and the integration of basic, molecular biologic research in that practice. His expertise includes minimally invasive treatment of tumors of the oral cavity, larynx, pharynx, thyroid, and neck to minimize cosmetic impact and maximize function, with an interest in tumors of the skull base, mouth, salivary glands, and premalignant conditions of the upper aerodigestive tract.
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology) - Head & Neck Surgery Oncology (cont.)

Charles Coffey, MD, FACS
Head and Neck Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6631

Bio:
Charles Coffey, MD, is a board-certified otolaryngologist and fellowship-trained head and neck cancer surgeon who specializes in diagnosing and treating patients with a broad range of benign and malignant tumors of the head and neck.

Ryan K. Orosco, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Minimally Invasive Surgery

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Ryan Orosco, MD, is a board-certified head and neck surgeon who specializes in the surgical treatment of benign and malignant tumors and complex reconstruction of the head and neck. He cares for patients with head and neck tumors, thyroid and parathyroid disorders, and cancer of the face, scalp, nose, mouth, tongue, and throat. Dr. Orosco is skilled in advanced reconstruction techniques, including microvascular free flaps, the transplant of tissue to restore function and appearance. He employs minimally invasive techniques, such as transoral robotic surgery and transoral laser microsurgery, when appropriate.
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology) - Hearing & Balance Disorders

Rick A. Friedman, MD, PhD
Neurotologist
Vice Chief, Division of Otolaryngology
Director, Acoustic Neuroma Program
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery

Subspecialties:
Otology & Neurotology / Skull-Base Surgery, Hearing & Balance Disorders

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices: (858) 657-8590
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Rick Friedman, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurotologist, a specialist who treats neurological disorders of the ear. He is a world-renowned expert in the treatment of acoustic neuroma, a benign tumor that develops on the main nerve connecting the ear to the brain. In addition to leading the acoustic neuroma program at UC San Diego Health, he also treats meningioma, neurofibromatosis type 2 (NF2), glomus tumors, hearing impairment, otosclerosis, Meniere’s disease, cholesteatoma, superior canal dehiscence and chronic ear infections.
Rick A. Friedman, MD, PhD
Neurotologist
Vice Chief, Division of Otolaryngology
Director, Acoustic Neuroma Program
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery

Subspecialties:
Otology & Neurotology / Skull-Base Surgery, Hearing & Balance Disorders

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Bio:
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**ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology) - Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery**

Kevin Thomas Brumund, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

**Moores Cancer Center**

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

**Bio:**
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Joseph A. Califano, III, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Physician in Chief, Moores Cancer Center
Director, Head and Neck Cancer Center

**Specialties:**
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Cancer, Surgery

**Subspecialties:**
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

**Bio:**
Joseph A. Califano, III, MD, is a board-certified otolaryngologist who specializes in head and neck surgical oncology, and the integration of basic, molecular biologic research in that practice. His expertise includes minimally invasive treatment of tumors of the oral cavity, larynx, pharynx, thyroid, and neck to minimize cosmetic impact and maximize function, with an interest in tumors of the skull base, mouth, salivary glands, and premalignant conditions of the upper aerodigestive tract.
Charles Coffey, MD, FACS
Head and Neck Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6631

Bio:
Charles Coffey, MD, is a board-certified otolaryngologist and fellowship-trained head and neck cancer surgeon who specializes in diagnosing and treating patients with a broad range of benign and malignant tumors of the head and neck.
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.

Yuko Kono, MD, PhD
Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist
Professor of Medicine and Radiology

Specialties:
Gastroenterology, Transplantation, Hepatology (Liver)

Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation

Add'l Language:
Japanese

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5415

Bio:
Yuko Kono, MD, PhD, is a liver doctor (hepatologist) with specialized training and experience managing the liver health of patients with primary liver cancer. Her clinical practice is focused on hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) surveillance, diagnosis, management, general hepatology and liver transplantation. She is also an expert in contrast enhanced ultrasound imaging.
Gastroenterology - General Gastroenterology

Syed M Abbas Fehmi, MD
Gastroenterologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Gastroenterology

Subspecialties:
General Gastroenterology, Interventional Endoscopy / Pancreas & Bile Ducts, GI Cancer

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-2347

Bio:
Syed Fehmi, MD, is a board-certified gastroenterologist who specializes in all aspects of endoscopy. He also has expertise in complex procedures such as endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) and endoscopic ultrasound (EUS)-guided needle biopsy. He works closely with community physicians and cancer physicians at UC San Diego Health for early and advanced cancer diagnosis, staging and management/treatment with endoscopic ultrasound, needle biopsy and injections, placement of chemotherapeutic agents into cancer, placement of markers for radiation, early cancer endoscopic resection to prevent surgery, and stent placements to relieve blockages.

Derek Raman Patel, MD
Professor of Medicine
Associate Clinical Services Chief, Hillcrest

Specialty:
Gastroenterology

Subspecialties:
Inflammatory Bowel Diseases, General Gastroenterology

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-2347

Bio:
"I strive to deliver care in a manner that is state-of-the-art and evidence-based yet personalized and compassionate."
Gastroenterology - GI Cancer

Syed M Abbas Fehmi, MD
Gastroenterologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Gastroenterology

Subspecialties:
General Gastroenterology, Interventional Endoscopy / Pancreas & Bile Ducts, GI Cancer

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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Gastroenterology - Inflammatory Bowel Diseases

Derek Raman Patel, MD
Professor of Medicine
Associate Clinical Services Chief, Hillcrest

Specialty:
Gastroenterology

Subspecialties:
Inflammatory Bowel Diseases, General Gastroenterology

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-2347

Bio:
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Gastroenterology - Interventional Endoscopy / Pancreas & Bile Ducts

Syed M Abbas Fehmi, MD
Gastroenterologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Gastroenterology

Subspecialties:
General Gastroenterology, Interventional Endoscopy / Pancreas & Bile Ducts, GI Cancer

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
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Genetic Counseling

Christina Brock, MS, CGC
Genetic Counselor

**Specialty:**
Genetic Counseling

**Add'l Language:**
Spanish

**Moores Cancer Center**
Sorrento Valley - Directors Place

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-3240

**Bio:**
Christina Brock, MS, is a board-certified genetic counselor who provides risk assessment and genetic counseling for patients and their families. She helps people investigate their family health history, navigate the genetic testing process, and understand and adapt to the medical or psychological implications of genetic diseases.

Diana De Rosa, MS, CGC
Genetic Counselor

**Specialty:**
Genetic Counseling

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-3240

**Bio:**
Diana De Rosa, MS, is a board-certified genetic counselor who provides risk assessment and genetic counseling for patients and their families. She helps people investigate their family health history, navigate the genetic testing process, and understand and adapt to the medical or psychological implications of genetic diseases.

Kimberly Forbes, MS, CGC
Genetic Counselor

**Specialty:**
Genetic Counseling

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-3240

**Bio:**
Kimberly Forbes, MS, is a board-certified genetic counselor who provides risk assessment and genetic counseling for patients and their families. She helps people investigate their family health history, navigate the genetic testing process, and understand and adapt to the medical or psychological implications of genetic diseases. Ms. Forbes' expertise includes evaluating hereditary cancer syndromes.

Lauren Korty, MS, CGC
Genetic Counselor

**Specialty:**
Genetic Counseling

**Moores Cancer Center**
Sorrento Valley - Directors Place

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-3240
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7200

**Bio:**
Lauren Korty, MS, is a board-certified genetic counselor who provides risk assessment and genetic counseling for patients and their families. She helps people investigate their family health history, navigate the genetic testing process, and understand and adapt to the medical or psychological implications of genetic diseases. Ms. Korty's expertise includes evaluating hereditary cancer syndromes, as well as prenatal genetic counseling.
Genetic Counseling (cont.)

Lisa Madlensky, PhD, CGC
Genetic Counselor
Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Genetic Counseling

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-3240

**Bio:**
Lisa Madlensky, PhD, is a board-certified genetic counselor who provides cancer risk assessment and genetic counseling for patients and their families. She helps people investigate their family health history, navigate the genetic testing process, and understand and adapt to the medical or psychological implications of genetic diseases.

Andrea Procko, PhD, MS, CGC
Genetic Counselor

**Specialty:**
Genetic Counseling

**Sorrento Valley - Directors Place**
Moores Cancer Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7200
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-3240

**Bio:**
Andrea Procko, PhD, MS, is a board-certified genetic counselor (CGC) who provides risk assessment and genetic counseling for patients and their families. She helps people investigate their family health history, navigate the genetic testing process, and understand and adapt to the medical or psychological implications of genetic diseases. She primarily serves as a prenatal genetic counselor working with individuals and their partners before and/or during pregnancy. She helps parents understand how genes, family history, birth defects, or other medical conditions can affect their or their baby’s health.
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 at UC San Diego Health.

Fotios (Fotis) Asimakopoulos, MB BChir, PhD
Medical Oncologist and Hematologist
Associate Professor of Medicine In Residence

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialties:
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Immunotherapy
Add'l Language:
Greek

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Fotios (Fotis) Asimakopoulos, MB BChir, PhD, is a medical oncologist and hematologist who treats people with plasma cell dyscrasias, also known as plasma cell disorders. His patients may have blood-related diseases such as multiple myeloma, monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS), amyloidosis, and Waldenstrom's macroglobulinemia (a type of lymphoma).

Edward (Ted) Ball, MD
Director, Blood and Marrow Transplant Program
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Edward "Ted" Ball, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who treats individuals with blood-related cancers such as leukemia and lymphoma. In his role as director and chief of the UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, he leads an interdisciplinary team of physicians, advanced practitioners, nurses, social workers and support staff. Dr. Ball offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Rafael Bejar, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist and Hematologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Dr. Rafael Bejar, MD, PhD, is board-certified in internal medicine, medical oncology, and hematology, with a special interest in hematologic malignancies (blood cancers). He specializes in the care of patients with myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) and related blood disorders.

Caitlin Costello, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Caitlin Costello, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating a variety of blood cancers, including multiple myeloma, lymphoma, and leukemia. She is part of the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial consultation and diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care throughout stem cell transplants, and follow-up survivorship care.

Michael Choi, MD
Medical Staff Physician
Clinical Instructor

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Dr. Choi is a hematologist and medical oncologist specializing in the treatment of patients with blood cancers and other blood disorders, with an emphasis on chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL). He is a part of UC San Diego's CLL research team, collaborating with the laboratories of Drs. Thomas Kipps, Januario Castro, and Dennis Carson to help develop new therapies for patients with blood cancers. His clinical research interests include highly targeted novel therapies that can be used to treat blood cancers in a personalize and molecularly-driven manner.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

**Peter T. Curtin, MD**  
Clinical Director, Blood and Marrow Transplantation  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases  
**Subspecialty:**  
Leukemia & Lymphoma

**Moores Cancer Center**  
**Jacobs Medical Center**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

**Bio:**  
Peter Curtin, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and oncologist who treats patients with blood-related cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma, myelodysplastic syndrome and myeloma. In his role as clinical director of Blood and Marrow Transplantation at UC San Diego Health, he leads an interdisciplinary team of physicians, advanced practitioners, nurses, social workers and support staff. Dr. Curtin offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

**Natalie Galanina, MD**  
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer  
**Subspecialties:**  
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Precision Medicine, Immunotherapy

**Moores Cancer Center**  
**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

**Bio:**  
Natalie Galanina, MD, is a hematologist who specializes in treating patients with lymphoid malignancies, including lymphoma and leukemia, as well as rare hematologic tumors.

**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](#).
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Ayad Hamdan, MD
Hematologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
Arabic

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Ayad Hamdan, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including lymphoma, multiple myeloma, leukemia, myeloproliferative neoplasms and myelodysplastic syndromes. He offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

Benjamin Heyman, MD
Hematologist

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Benjamin Heyman, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who treats patients with blood cancers such as lymphoma, leukemia and myeloma.

Catriona Jamieson, MD, PhD
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Languages:
French, Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Catriona Jamieson, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist with broad clinical expertise in caring for patients with hematologic malignancies. As hematology team leader for the Division of Hematology/Oncology at UC San Diego Health Moores Cancer Center, Dr. Jamieson’s clinical interests include the treatment of myeloproliferative neoplasms including chronic myeloid leukemia (CML), polycythemia vera (PV), myelofibrosis and essential thrombocythemia. She is also the principal investigator on several clinical trials for the treatment of these and related bone marrow disorders.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Dan S. Kaufman, MD, PhD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
- Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT
- Cancer
- Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
- Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Dan Kaufman, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in caring for patients with blood cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma. He is one of the physicians with the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial consultation and diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care during stem cell transplant procedures, and follow-up survivorship care. Dr. Kaufman’s expertise and areas of interest include cell-based immunotherapies, stem cells, regenerative medicine and natural killer (NK) cell-mediated therapy. He offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

Thomas James Kipps, MD, PhD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
- Cancer
- Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
- Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Thomas J. Kipps, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist with a distinguished career in cancer research. He currently serves as the Deputy Director of Research Operations for UC San Diego Moores Cancer Center. He is the author of more than 200 publications and is the principal investigator on several peer-reviewed grants, including the NCI award for the Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia Consortium involving collaboration with eight other cancer centers.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Divya T. Koura, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
Hindi

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Divya T. Koura, MD is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including leukemia, lymphoma and multiple myeloma. She is part of the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care during stem cell transplant procedures, and follow-up survivorship care.

Rachel La Costa, MPAS, PA-C
Physician Assistant

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6294

Bio:
Rachel La Costa, MPAS, is a certified physician assistant (PA-C) who assists in treating people with blood disorders which include anemia, hemophilia, Sickle cell disease and blood cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma. She provides care at the Infusion Center at Moores Cancer Center where patients receive chemotherapy agents, blood products, electrolyte replacements, infection of growth factors and IV antimicrobials.

James K. Mangan, MD, PhD
Hematologist / Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
James K. Mangan, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating people with blood cancers, including acute lymphocytic leukemia, acute myelogenous leukemia, chronic lymphocytic leukemia, and chronic myeloid leukemia. He also has expertise in treating people with myelodysplastic syndromes, myeloproliferative neoplasms, aplastic anemia, lymphoma, and myeloma.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Carolyn Mulroney, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Carolyn Mulroney, MD, is a hematologist and medical oncologist who provides autologous and allogeneic transplants to adults with a wide range of blood cancers and blood disorders, including lymphoma, leukemia, anemia, Langerhans cell histiocytosis (LCH), myelodysplasia, multiple myeloma, light-chain (AL) amyloidosis and graft versus host disease (GVHD). Dr. Mulroney offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

Erin Reid, MD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer, HIV/AIDS
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Erin Reid, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating patients with a wide range of hematologic and HIV-related malignancies, including lymphoma and Kaposi sarcoma. She sees patients at both Moores Cancer Center and the Owen Clinic, a comprehensive HIV care center.

Tony Reid, MD, PhD
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6191

Bio:
As a physician, I strongly believe that we need better and more advanced therapies to treat cancer, but I also feel it is very important to carefully tailor the treatment to the individual patient. There is an increasing array of options for treatment for cancer including chemotherapy, targeted therapies, surgery and radiation and many patients need a combined and coordinated strategy that may include several of these options to achieve the optimal results. We have excellent surgeons and radiation therapists at UC San Diego Healthcare and we work closely as a team to provide the best possible care for our patients.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Sanford J. Shattil, MD  
Hematologist  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

**Moores Cancer Center**

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

**Bio:**  
Sanford Shattil, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who focuses on disorders of blood platelets, bleeding disorders and the diagnosis and treatment of arterial and venous thrombosis.

Tiffany N. Tanaka, MD  
Hematologist

**Specialties:**  
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

**Subspeciality:**  
Leukemia & Lymphoma

**Jacobs Medical Center**  
**Moores Cancer Center**

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

**Bio:**  
Tiffany N. Tanaka, MD, is a board-certified hematologist specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of blood cancers and blood disorders, with an emphasis on myeloid malignancies.

Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD  
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Cancer, Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases

**Subspeciality:**  
Leukemia & Lymphoma

**Moores Cancer Center**  
**Jacobs Medical Center**

**Add'l Languages:**  
German, Greek

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 822-6600

**Bio:**  
Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including lymphoma, myeloma, leukemia, myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) and myeloproliferative neoplasms (MPN). He is a transplant physician for the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides comprehensive blood and marrow transplant services, including autologous and allogeneic stem cell transplantation.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Matthew Wieduwilt, MD, PhD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Matthew Wieduwilt, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who cares for people with blood cancers, with a special focus in acute leukemia and bone marrow transplantation. He is a part of the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment.
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.

Yuko Kono, MD, PhD
Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist
Professor of Medicine and Radiology

Specialties:
Gastroenterology, Transplantation, Hepatology (Liver)
Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation
Add'l Language:
Japanese

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5415

Bio:
Yuko Kono, MD, PhD, is a liver doctor (hepatologist) with specialized training and experience managing the liver health of patients with primary liver cancer. Her clinical practice is focused on hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) surveillance, diagnosis, management, general hepatology and liver transplantation. She is also an expert in contrast enhanced ultrasound imaging.
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.

Erin Reid, MD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer, HIV/AIDS
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Erin Reid, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating patients with a wide range of hematologic and HIV-related malignancies, including lymphoma and Kaposi sarcoma. She sees patients at both Moores Cancer Center and the Owen Clinic, a comprehensive HIV care center.
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.

Randy Taplitz, MD
Clinical Director, Infectious Diseases
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Infectious Diseases

Add'l Language:
French

 Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6146

Bio:
Randy Taplitz, MD, is a board-certified infectious disease physician who specializes in infections in compromised individuals, especially those patients with malignant disorders and stem cell transplant recipients. She is the clinical director of Infectious Diseases at UC San Diego Health.
Infertility

Infertility is a problem of the reproductive system that affects the body’s ability to conceive a child. Learn more about [infertility in women](https://health.ucsd.edu) [male infertility](https://health.ucsd.edu) (andrology), and the range of treatments available at UC San Diego Health.

**H. Irene Su, MD**
Reproductive Endocrinologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

**Specialties:**
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Infertility

**Subspecialty:**
Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility

**Additional Language:**
Chinese

**Location:**
La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue
Moores Cancer Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

**Bio:**
H. Irene Su, MD, MSCE, is a reproductive endocrinologist and reproductive epidemiologist dedicated to improving the reproductive health for patients throughout their cancer journey. Dr. Su’s expertise includes treating infertility, reproductive aging and fertility preservation. She directs the [Reproductive Survivorship](https://health.ucsd.edu) program at UC San Diego Health, which offers oncofertility (i.e. a subfield that bridges oncology and reproductive research to explore and expand reproductive future options), for young people facing cancer, and other medical illnesses.
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.

Lyudmila A. Bazhenova, MD
Medical Oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Lung Cancer
Add'l Language:
Russian

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

Bio:
Lyudmila A. Bazhenova, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist. Her clinical practice is devoted to patients with all types of lung cancer, and she has particular expertise with female patients and nonsmokers.

Sarah G. Boles, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Breast Cancer, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

Bio:
"I will strive to provide state-of-the-art care for patients with breast cancer, sarcoma and blood disorders, including access to clinical trials."

Gregory Botta, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Gregory Botta, MD, PhD, is a medical oncologist who specializes in treating solid tumor cancers of the gastrointestinal system, including cancers of the digestive system, esophagus, stomach, gallbladder, pancreas, liver, small intestine, colon, appendix, rectum and anus, and gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST).

Adam M. Burgoyne, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Adam Burgoyne, MD, PhD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating primary liver cancers such as hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC). He also treats cancers of the esophagus, gallbladder, pancreas, stomach, small intestine, colon and appendix, as well as gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST).
Medical Oncology (cont.)

Ezra Cohen, MD, FRCPSC, FASCO
Medical Oncologist
Chief, Division of Hematology-Oncology
Associate Director, Translational Science, Moores Cancer Center
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Ezra Cohen, MD, is a board-certified oncologist and an internationally renowned cancer researcher. He cares for patients with all types of head and neck cancers, including esophageal, thyroid and salivary gland cancers.

Gregory A. Daniels, MD, PhD
Medical Oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-3804

Bio:
Gregory A. Daniels, MD, is a board-certified oncologist. He coordinates care for patients with melanoma, skin cancers, and head and neck cancers.

Paul T. Fanta, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Pancreatic Cancer

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7000

Bio:
Paul T. Fanta, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal cancers. Because the diagnosis and management of gastrointestinal cancers has dramatically changed in the past several years, his research interests include how to incorporate biotechnology, bioinformatics, molecular analyses and pharmacogenomic data in the setting of prospective clinical trials—with the results of better identifying patients who will benefit from chemotherapy, avoiding toxicities from treatment, and developing a predictive therapeutic strategy unique to a patient's disease.
Medical Oncology (cont.)

Kathryn A. Gold, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Lung Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5182

Bio:
Kathryn A. Gold, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating cancers of the lung, head and neck. She uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, biological therapy and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for her patients.

Hatim Husain, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Lung Cancer, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Languages:
Spanish, Urdu

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5182

Bio:
Hatim Husain, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating lung cancer and brain tumors. He strives to provide the highest level of care for his patients and their families. Dr. Husain uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, hormonal, biological, and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options.

Aaron Goodman, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Medical Oncology

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Aaron Goodman, MD, is a hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating a variety of blood cancers, including acute myeloid leukemia (AML), acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL) and multiple myeloma. He performs stem cell transplants for cancer treatment, including autologous (stem cells come from the individual receiving the transplant) and allogeneic (stem cells come from a matched donor) transplants.
Medical Oncology (cont.)

Shumei Kato, MD  
Medical Oncologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine  

Specialties:  
Medical Oncology, Cancer  
Subspecialties:  
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine  
Add'l Language:  
Japanese  

Moores Cancer Center  
Jacobs Medical Center  
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-2372  

Bio:  
Shumei Kato, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating rare cancers and gastrointestinal tumors. He uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, biological therapy, immunotherapy and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for his patients. Dr. Kato has a special interest in targeted molecular therapy and his approach to care emphasizes personalized medicine and experimental therapeutics.

Lawrence P. Leichman, MD  
Medical Oncologist  
Professor of Medicine  

Specialties:  
Medical Oncology, Cancer  
Subspecialty:  
Gastrointestinal Cancers  

Moores Cancer Center  

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

Bio:  
Lawrence Leichman, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal (GI) cancers. These include cancers of the esophagus, pancreas, stomach, liver, rectum and colon. He uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, immunotherapy, biologic therapy, and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for patients. Dr. Leichman also has expertise in using neoadjuvant therapies to treat gastrointestinal malignancies. Neoadjuvant therapies, which include chemotherapy, radiation therapy and hormone therapy, are delivered to a person before the main treatment (surgery), with the intent lower to lower the risk that the cancer will return.
**Medical Oncology (cont.)**

**Aaron M. Miller, MD, PhD**  
Medical Oncologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Medical Oncology, Cancer  
**Subspecialty:**  
Gastrointestinal Cancers

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100

**Bio:**  
Aaron M. Miller, MD, PhD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating gastrointestinal cancers. This includes cancers of the esophagus, gallbladder, liver, pancreas, stomach, small intestine, bowel and anus. He uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, biological therapy, immunotherapy and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for his patients. Dr. Miller’s approach to care emphasizes personalized medicine/precision oncology, adoptive cellular therapy, next-generation tumor sequencing and tumor immunology. He is part of the gastrointestinal cancer unit at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health, where he works alongside a multidisciplinary team to provide patients with highly specialized care.

**William Mitchell, MD**  
Medical Oncologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Medical Oncology, Cancer, Palliative Care  
**Subspecialty:**  
Lung Cancer

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100  
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 534-9061

**Bio:**  
William Mitchell, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist. He cares for patients with all kinds of thoracic cancer, including lung cancer, mesothelioma and thymomas.

**Mina Nikanjam, MD, PhD**  
Medical Oncologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Medical Oncology, Cancer  
**Subspecialties:**  
Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Precision Medicine

**Moores Cancer Center**

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

**Bio:**  
Mina Nikanjam, MD, PhD, is a medical oncologist who specializes in treating melanoma and other skin cancers, as well as rare tumors. She also specializes in experimental therapeutics and early phase clinical trials with the goal of providing patients with state of the art treatments. Many of these novel therapies are designed to be more effective with less toxicity and targeted for individualized therapy.
Medical Oncology (cont.)

Barbara A Parker, MD
Breast Medical Oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Precision Medicine, Breast Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

Bio:
Barbara A. Parker, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist. She has extensive experience treating and managing breast cancer. Her top priority is to provide excellent patient care consisting of access to new therapies.

Hitendra Patel, MBBS
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-3115

Bio:
Hitendra Patel, MBBS, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of gastrointestinal cancers. This includes cancers of the pancreas, esophagus, gallbladder, liver, stomach, small intestine, colon/bowel and anus, as well as gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST) and neuroendocrine and carcinoid tumors. He uses numerous forms of therapy such as chemotherapy, immunotherapy, targeted therapy, biological therapy, including new medicines as part of clinical trials, to offer the best possible treatment options.

Sandip P. Patel, MD
Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Medical Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Lung Cancer, Immunotherapy, Precision Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5182

Bio:
Sandip Patel, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in cancer immunotherapy and early phase clinical trials involving immunotherapy across all types of cancer. He is focused on developing personalized therapies that stimulate a patient’s immune system to attack their specific tumor. He is part of UC San Diego Health’s Precision Immunotherapy Clinic, which offers the most promising investigational immunotherapy treatments for many types of cancer.
Medical Oncology (cont.)

**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**

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

**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.

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**John P. Shen, MD**  
Medical Oncologist

**Specialties:**  
Medical Oncology, Cancer

**Subspecialty:**  
Gastrointestinal Cancers

**Moores Cancer Center**  
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

**Bio:**  
John Shen, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal cancers. This includes cancers of the esophagus, gallbladder, liver, pancreas, stomach, small intestine, colon and appendix. He uses numerous forms of therapy including traditional chemotherapy, immunotherapy and targeted therapy to offer the best possible treatment options for his patients. Dr. Shen is part of the gastrointestinal cancer unit at UC San Diego Health's Moore's Cancer Center, where he works alongside a multidisciplinary team to provide patients with highly specialized care.
Tamara Rubenzik, MD
Nephrologist and Palliative Care Specialist

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Palliative Care

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Critical Care Nephrology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center
Vista - Sycamore Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Palliative Care: (858) 534-9061
Direct Clinic Line - Vista: (760) 697-3000
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Tamara Rubenzik, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist and palliative care physician. She works in both the Departments of Nephrology and Palliative Care at UC San Diego Health.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Critical Care Nephrology

Tamara Rubenzik, MD
Nephrologist and Palliative Care Specialist

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Palliative Care

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Critical Care Nephrology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center
Vista - Sycamore Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Palliative Care: (858) 534-9061
Direct Clinic Line - Vista: (760) 697-3000
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Tamara Rubenzik, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist and palliative care physician. She works in both the Departments of Nephrology and Palliative Care at UC San Diego Health.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Dialysis

Tamara Rubenzik, MD
Nephrologist and Palliative Care Specialist

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Palliative Care

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Critical Care Nephrology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center
Vista - Sycamore Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Palliative Care: (858) 534-9061
Direct Clinic Line - Vista: (760) 697-3000
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Tamara Rubenzik, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist and palliative care physician. She works in both the Departments of Nephrology and Palliative Care at UC San Diego Health.
Neurology

Neurology is the branch of medicine that is concerned with the study and treatment of disorders of the nervous system. Learn more about neurology at UC San Diego Health.

Kevin McGehrin, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

**Specialties:**
Neurology, Palliative Care

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**
**La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive**
**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-3500
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-8540
Direct Clinic Line - Palliative Care: (858) 534-9061

**Bio:**
Kevin McGehrin, MD, is a palliative care physician and board-certified neurologist who provides expert care for patients with a variety of neurological conditions, including Parkinson's disease and Alzheimer's disease.

David Piccioni, MD, PhD
Neuro-Oncologist
Associate Professor of Neurosciences
Director of Clinical Neuro-Oncology

**Specialties:**
Cancer, Neurology

**Subspecialty:**
Neurological Oncology

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6346

**Bio:**
David Piccioni, MD, PhD, is a certified neuro-oncologist and board-certified neurologist who specializes in treating primary and metastatic tumors of the brain and nervous system. He also has expertise in treating neurological complications of cancer and side effects of brain cancer treatment, such as headaches and seizures.
Neurology (cont.)

Jeremy N. Rich, MD, MHS
Neuro-oncologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Neurology
Subspecialty:
Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Jeremy Rich, MD, MHS, MBA, is a certified neuro-oncologist and renowned physician-scientist who specializes in diagnosing and treating brain tumors, including gliomas (e.g. glioblastoma, astrocytoma, brainstem glioma, ependymoma, and oligodendroglioma) and brain metastases. As part of a multidisciplinary approach, Dr. Rich works closely with neurosurgeons and medical and radiation oncologists to provide comprehensive treatment plans unique to each patient.
Neurology - Headache

Imanuel Lerman, MD
Pain Management Specialist
Associate Professor of Anesthesiology

Specialties:
- Pain Management
- Neurology

Subspecialty:
- Headache

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Imanuel Lerman, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in pain management. As a pain management specialist, Dr. Lerman evaluates, diagnoses and treats all forms of pain, including acute, chronic and cancer pain. He has extensive experience in ultrasound guidance for interventional pain procedures and interventional headache treatment, teaching and speaking nationally on these subjects.
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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Thomas Beaumont, MD, PhD, is a neurosurgeon who specializes in skull base and minimally invasive cranial surgery. He performs both open microsurgery and endoscopic approaches for brain, skull base and pituitary tumors where he tailors the surgical approach to provide maximally effective yet minimally invasive neurosurgical care. Dr. Beaumont has a passion for the treatment of meningiomas, pituitary tumors, craniopharyngiomas and clival chordomas, and is an expert in the endoscopic endonasal approach (EEA). Additionally, he treats cavernous malformations, cranial nerve compression syndromes and craniofacial junction disease.

Marc S. Schwartz, MD
Neurosurgeon

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Neurosurgery:: (619) 543-5540
Direct Clinic Line - ENT/Head & Neck Surgery:: (858) 657-8590
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Marc Schwartz, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who is an internationally renowned expert on the treatment of patients with acoustic neuromas, skull base tumors, and neurofibromatosis type 2 (NF2). He is also the recognized neurosurgical leader in the field of auditory brainstem implants. In addition, Dr. Schwartz treats complex cranial problems, meningiomas, brain tumors, pituitary tumors, cranial nerve disorders, and intradural spine tumors.
Neurosurgery - 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

Add'l Language:
Italian

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
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Marc S. Schwartz, MD
Neurosurgeon

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Neurosurgery:: (619) 543-5540
Direct Clinic Line - ENT/Head & Neck Surgery:: (858) 657-8590
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Marc Schwartz, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who is an internationally renowned expert on the treatment of patients with acoustic neuromas, skull base tumors, and neurofibromatosis type 2 (NF2). He is also the recognized neurosurgical leader in the field of auditory brainstem implants. In addition, Dr. Schwartz treats complex cranial problems, meningiomas, brain tumors, pituitary tumors, cranial nerve disorders, and intradural spine tumors.
Nutrition Counseling

Nutrition Counseling is a process in which a registered dietician works with an individual to assess his or her dietary intake and identify areas where change is needed based upon medical and/or individual needs.

Heather Diamond, RD, CNSC
Registered Dietitian

Specialty:
Nutrition Counseling

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line:: (619) 471-0420

Bio:
Heather Diamond, CNSC, is a registered dietitian who provides individualized nutrition intervention and education for people with cancer. As part of the multidisciplinary team at UC San Diego Health's Moores Cancer Center, she works closely with patients to implement strategies to manage their nutrition before, during and after treatment.

Gloria (Patricia) Rubio, MS, RD, CNSC
Registered Dietitian

Specialty:
Nutrition Counseling

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line:: (619) 471-0420

Bio:
Patricia Rubio, MS, CNSC, is a registered dietitian who counsels people on their eating habits to improve health and help treat diseases. She provides nutrition education as well as medical nutrition therapy for individuals with chronic illnesses such as cancer. Ms. Rubio is part of the multidisciplinary head and neck cancer team at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health, where she works closely with patients to implement strategies to help manage their side effects during different stages of treatment.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Gynecologic Oncology

Gynecologic oncology is the medical specialty focusing on cancers of the female reproductive system, including ovarian cancer, uterine cancer, vaginal cancer, cervical cancer, and vulvar cancer. Learn more about gynecologic cancers at UC San Diego Health.

Pratibha S. Binder, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Urdu

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Pratibha Binder, MD, is a gynecologic oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating female reproductive system cancers, including ovarian, uterine, cervical, endometrial, vulvar and vaginal cancer. Her expertise also includes surgical management of these cancers.

Ramez N. Eskander, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers, Precision Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (760) 536-7700

Bio:
Ramez Eskander, MD, is a board-certified gynecologic oncologist who specializes in the surgical management of female reproductive system cancers, including ovarian, uterine, cervical, vulvar and vaginal cancer. His expertise includes diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, including minimally invasive (robotic) surgery, chemotherapy and novel drugs. Dr. Eskander is also experienced in clinical trial development and aims to provide individuals with access to innovative medicines during their treatment.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Gynecologic Oncology (cont.)

Michael McHale, MD
Division Chief, Gynecologic Oncology Services
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

Bio:
Michael McHale, MD, is a board-certified gynecologic oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating cancers related to women’s reproductive organs. He also serves as surgical director of perioperative services at UC San Diego Health, where he oversees clinical operations across all perioperative sites and network affiliates. In this role, Dr. McHale focuses on providing positive patient experiences and developing a world-class surgical environment at UC San Diego Health.

Steven Plaxe, MD
Director, Gynecologic Oncology
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Dr. Plaxe is a fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology and of the American College of Surgeons. He is Director of the Division of Gynecologic Oncology. He is a member of the Cancer Prevention and Control Committee of the Gynecologic Oncology Group (GOG) and is Principal Investigator at UC San Diego for Gynecologic Oncology Group studies.
Cheryl C. Saenz, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Cheryl Saenz, MD, is a board-certified gynecologic oncologist. She specializes in the preventive and treatment aspects of gynecologic cancer care. Dr. Saenz is also dedicated to educating women who are at risk for these types of cancers, which include cancers of the cervix, uterus, ovaries and fallopian tubes.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility

Reproductive endocrinology and infertility is a surgical subspecialty of obstetrics and gynecology that addresses hormonal functioning as it applies to reproduction and infertility. Learn more about reproductive endocrinology and infertility at UC San Diego Health.

H. Irene Su, MD
Reproductive Endocrinologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Infertility
Subspecialty:
Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility
Add'l Language:
Chinese

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue
Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
H. Irene Su, MD, MSCE, is a reproductive endocrinologist and reproductive epidemiologist dedicated to improving the reproductive health for patients throughout their cancer journey. Dr. Su's expertise includes treating infertility, reproductive aging and fertility preservation. She directs the Reproductive Survivorship program at UC San Diego Health, which offers oncofertility (i.e. a subfield that bridges oncology and reproductive research to explore and expand reproductive future options), for young people facing cancer, and other medical illnesses.
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.

Imanuel Lerman, MD
Pain Management Specialist
Associate Professor of Anesthesiology

Specialties:
- Pain Management, Neurology

Subspecialty:
- Headache

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Imanuel Lerman, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in pain management. As a pain management specialist, Dr. Lerman evaluates, diagnoses and treats all forms of pain, including acute, chronic and cancer pain. He has extensive experience in ultrasound guidance for interventional pain procedures and interventional headache treatment, teaching and speaking nationally on these subjects.
Palliative Care

Andrew (Drew) Bruggeman, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

**Specialties:**
Radiation Oncology, Cancer, Palliative Care

**Subspecialties:**
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

**Bio:**
Andrew Bruggeman, MD, is a radiation oncologist who specializes in using therapeutic radiation for palliative care. He works closely with the palliative care team at Moores Cancer Center to provide relief with palliative radiotherapy to people with cancer. He also treats patients with lymphoma and brain cancers.

Jaydee Geluz, MSN, FNP-C
Family Nurse Practitioner

**Specialty:**
Palliative Care
**Add'l Language:**
Tagalog

Moores Cancer Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

**Bio:**
Jaydee Geluz, MSN, is a board-certified family nurse practitioner (FNP-C) who specializes in providing palliative care for people with cancer and other chronic diseases. Palliative medicine focuses on improving the quality of life for patients with serious illnesses and their families.

Jeremy Hirst, MD
Psychiatrist
Associate Director, Patient and Family Support Services, Moores Cancer Center

**Specialties:**
Psychiatry, Palliative Care, Cancer

**Subspecialty:**
Psychosocial Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

**Bio:**
Jeremy Hirst, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, he 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. He can provide psychiatric assessments, treatment and medication management.

Jennifer S. Kim, MSN, ANP-BC, ACHPN
Adult Nurse Practitioner

**Specialty:**
Palliative Care

Moores Cancer Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

**Bio:**
Jennifer S. Kim, MSN, is a board-certified adult nurse practitioner (ANP-BC) who specializes in providing palliative care for people with heart failure and other chronic diseases. Palliative medicine focuses on improving the quality of life for patients with serious illnesses and their families.
Palliative Care (cont.)

**Kevin McGehrin, MD**  
Neurologist  
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

**Specialties:**  
Neurology, Palliative Care

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**  
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive  
Moores Cancer Center

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-3500  
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-8540  
Direct Clinic Line - Palliative Care: (858) 534-9061

**Bio:**  
Kevin McGehrin, MD, is a palliative care physician and board-certified neurologist who provides expert care for patients with a variety of neurological conditions, including Parkinson's disease and Alzheimer's disease.

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**William Mitchell, MD**  
Medical Oncologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Medical Oncology, Cancer, Palliative Care  
**Subspecialty:**  
Lung Cancer

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100  
Direct Clinic Line - Palliative Care: (858) 534-9061

**Bio:**  
William Mitchell, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist. He cares for patients with all kinds of thoracic cancer, including lung cancer, mesothelioma and thymomas.

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**Tamara Rubenzik, MD**  
Nephrologist and Palliative Care Specialist

**Specialties:**  
Nephrology (Kidney), Palliative Care  
**Subspecialties:**  
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Critical Care Nephrology

**Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center**  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South  
Moores Cancer Center  
Jacobs Medical Center  
Vista - Sycamore Avenue

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Palliative Care: (858) 534-9061  
Direct Clinic Line - Vista: (760) 697-3000  
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248

**Bio:**  
Tamara Rubenzik, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist and palliative care physician. She works in both the Departments of Nephrology and Palliative Care at UC San Diego Health.
Palliative Care (cont.)

Kira A Skavinski, DO
Palliative Care Specialist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Palliative Care

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Kira Skavinski, DO, is a board-certified palliative care physician who helps relieve suffering in people with life-limiting and chronic illnesses. She provides pain and symptom management, and aims to optimize quality of life for her patients and their families while addressing their medical, psychological, social, and spiritual needs. Dr. Skavinski also assists patients and their families with discussions regarding advance care planning and goals.

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) 534-9061

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.
Pathology

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

H. Elizabeth Broome, MD
Director, Clinical Hematology Laboratory
Professor of Pathology

Specialty:
Pathology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6772

Bio:
Dr. Broome has a BS degree in Chemical Engineering from MIT and a MD degree from the University of Pennsylvania. After finishing a residency in Clinical Pathology and a fellowship in Hematopathology at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, She became certified in Clinical Pathology with a specialty certification in Hematology from the American Board of Pathology.
Frederic J. Kolb, MD
Plastic Surgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Plastic Surgery, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Reconstructive Surgery
Add'l Language:
French

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (619) 294-3746
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Frederic Kolb, MD, MS, MRes, is an internationally recognized board-certified plastic surgeon who specializes in oncologic reconstruction, correcting defects following breast, head and neck, skin, and soft tissue and sarcoma resections. He performs breast oncologic surgery and reconstruction with autologous perforator flaps, in addition to head and reconstruction with all variety of chimeric flaps.
Psychiatry is the branch of medicine concerned with the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders. Learn more about psychiatry at UC San Diego Health.

Jeremy Hirst, MD
Psychiatrist
Associate Director, Patient and Family Support Services,
Moores Cancer Center

**Specialties:** Psychiatry, Palliative Care, Cancer
**Subspecialty:** Psychosocial Oncology

**Moores Cancer Center**
**Jacobs Medical Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

**Bio:**
Jeremy Hirst, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, he 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. He can provide psychiatric assessments, treatment and medication management.

Alan J. Hsu, MD
Psychiatrist
Associate Professor of Psychiatry

**Specialties:** Psychiatry, Cancer
**Subspecialty:** Psychosocial Oncology

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5381

**Bio:**
Alan John Hsu, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist who specializes in treating cancer patients struggling with mood and anxiety issues brought on by cancer. He also sees individuals with cancer who have pre-existing mental health challenges.

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) 534-9061

**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.
Psychology

Molly Berman, PsyD
Psychologist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialties:
Psychology, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Psychosocial Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Patient & Family Support Services: (858) 822-5381
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Molly Berman, PsyD, is a licensed clinical psychologist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, she provides psychological assessment, diagnosis or ongoing therapy for patients and families who are experiencing issues that are either related to the cancer experience or interfering with cancer treatment. In addition, she also works with the cystic fibrosis team and provides evidence-based treatments (such as cognitive behavioral therapy or acceptance and commitment therapy) to cystic fibrosis patients.

Veronica Cardenas, PhD
Psychologist
Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry

Specialties:
Psychology, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Psychosocial Oncology

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5381

Bio:
Veronica Cardenas, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, she provides psychological assessment, diagnosis or ongoing therapy for patients and families who are experiencing issues that are either related to the cancer experience or are interfering with cancer treatment.

Brent T. Mausbach, PhD
Clinical Psychologist
Associate Professor

Specialties:
Psychology, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Psychosocial Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5381

Bio:
Brent T. Mausbach, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, he provides psychological assessment, diagnosis or ongoing therapy for patients and families who are experiencing issues that are either related to the cancer experience or are interfering with cancer treatment.
Psychology (cont.)

Emily Meier, PhD
Psychologist
Assistant Professor Psychiatry

Specialties:
Psychology, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Psychosocial Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-5381

Bio:
Emily Meier, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, she provides psychological assessment, diagnosis or ongoing therapy for patients and families who are experiencing issues that are either related to the cancer experience or interfering with cancer treatment. In individual or group psychotherapy, she focuses on issues including depression, anxiety, communication, stress reduction, insomnia, grief or other psychological or emotional issues.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Critical Care

George Z. Cheng, MD, PhD
Interventional Pulmonologist
Medical Director, Interventional Pulmonary, Bronchoscopy and Pleural Services
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Pulmonology (Lung), Cancer

Subspecialties:
Interventional Pulmonology, Lung Cancer, Critical Care

Add'l Language:
Mandarin

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (619) 543-5840
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
George Cheng, MD, PhD, is a board-certified pulmonologist who specializes in interventional pulmonology. He performs minimally invasive procedures for diagnosis and treatment of lung and pleural diseases. These include malignant and benign diseases of the lung, such as lung cancer, sarcoidosis, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), pulmonary fibrosis and other conditions. Dr. Cheng specializes in treating airway problems such as airway tumors, airway narrowing, asthma, COPD, and pleural disease (i.e. fluid around the lung) with minimally invasive approaches. He serves as the medical director of interventional pulmonary, bronchoscopy and pleural services.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Interventional Pulmonology

George Z. Cheng, MD, PhD
Interventional Pulmonologist
Medical Director, Interventional Pulmonary, Bronchoscopy and Pleural Services
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Pulmonology (Lung), Cancer

Subspecialties:
Interventional Pulmonology, Lung Cancer, Critical Care

Add'l Language:
Mandarin

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5840
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
George Cheng, MD, PhD, is a board-certified pulmonologist who specializes in interventional pulmonology. He performs minimally invasive procedures for diagnosis and treatment of lung and pleural diseases. These include malignant and benign diseases of the lung, such as lung cancer, sarcoidosis, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), pulmonary fibrosis and other conditions. Dr. Cheng specializes in treating airway problems such as airway tumors, airway narrowing, asthma, COPD, and pleural disease (i.e. fluid around the lung) with minimally invasive approaches. He serves as the medical director of interventional pulmonary, bronchoscopy and pleural services.
Radiation Oncology

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

Andrew (Drew) Bruggeman, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer, Palliative Care
Subspecialties:
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Andrew Bruggeman, MD, is a radiation oncologist who specializes in using therapeutic radiation for palliative care. He works closely with the palliative care team at Moores Cancer Center to provide relief with palliative radiotherapy to people with cancer. He also treats patients with lymphoma and brain cancers.

John P. Einck, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gynecological Cancers, Urologic Cancer, Breast Cancer, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Dr. John Einck is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate and other genitourinary cancers, as well as breast and gynecologic cancer. He is co-chair of the radiation oncology team's brachytherapy program.
Radiation Oncology (cont.)

Jona Hattangadi-Gluth, MD
Chief of Central Nervous System Tumor Service,
Radiation Oncology
Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Breast Cancer

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Jona Hattangadi-Gluth, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating primary and metastatic brain tumors, as well as breast cancer. As a radiation oncologist, she uses high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. Her expertise includes stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) and stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT).

Iain J. MacEwan, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Iain MacEwan, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating cancers in children. As a radiation oncologist, Dr. MacEwan has expertise in the most advanced photon and proton technologies. He treats cancer using many modalities, including conformal radiation therapy (CRT), intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT), stereotactic radiation surgery (SRS), and pencil beam proton therapy (PBT) / intensity-modulated proton therapy (IMPT).
Radiation Oncology (cont.)

Jyoti S. Mayadev, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gynecological Cancers, Breast Cancer
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Jyoti Mayadev, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating gynecologic and breast cancers. Her expertise includes intensity modulated external beam radiation, image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT), and image-guided brachytherapy (IGBT), an advanced cancer treatment where a radioactive implant is placed inside or very close to a tumor. Dr. Mayadev also manages the care and treatment of cancer patients and works closely with other doctors, including medical, gynecological and surgical oncologists to provide comprehensive care. She is very interested in patient reported outcomes, and fostering an optimal patient experience during radiation therapy and brachytherapy.

Loren K. Mell, MD
Chief, Head and Neck Malignancy Service
Vice Chair, Clinical and Translational Research
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Gynecological Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Dr. Loren Mell is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating head and neck and gynecologic cancers. He is vice chair of Clinical and Translational Research for the Department of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences at UC San Diego School of Medicine, and is chief of Head and Neck Radiation Oncology at UC San Diego Health. His clinical expertise is in both head/neck and gynecologic cancer.
Radiation Oncology (cont.)

Arno J. Mundt, MD, FACRO, FASTRO
Radiation Oncologist
Professor and Chair of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Gynecological Cancers, Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Languages:
French, German, Italian

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Arno J. Mundt, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist whose expertise is in gynecologic and prostate cancers using a variety of novel treatment modalities, including image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT).

James D. Murphy, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Pancreatic Cancer, Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
James D. Murphy, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate cancer, head and neck cancer, skin cancer, brain metastases and primary brain tumors. As a radiation oncologist, Dr. Murphy uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. His expertise includes conformal radiation therapy (CRT), intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and high-dose rate (HDR) and low-dose rate (LDR) brachytherapy.

Brent Rose, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Head & Neck Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Brent Rose, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate cancer, head and neck cancer, skin cancer, brain metastases and primary brain tumors. As a radiation oncologist, Dr. Rose uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. His expertise includes conformal radiation therapy (CRT), intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and high-dose rate (HDR) and low-dose rate (LDR) brachytherapy.
Radiation Oncology (cont.)

Ajay Sandhu, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Medical Director and Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Lung Cancer, Urologic Cancer

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Punjabi

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Ajay Sandhu, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating genitourinary cancers, lung cancer and sarcoma. In particular, he is interested in the application of novel radiotherapeutic approaches in these diseases including intensity-modulated radiotherapy (IMRT), image-guided radiotherapy (IGRT), and four-dimensional computed tomography (4DCT), stereotactic body radiotherapy (SBRT) and respiratory gating.

Parag Sanghvi, MD, MSPH
Radiation Oncologist
Vice Chair and Associate Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Leukemia & Lymphoma, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Add'l Languages:
Gujarati, Hindi

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - PET/CT Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Parag Sanghvi, MD, MSPH, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in the treatment and management of skin cancers, head cancers, neck cancers, leukemias, lymphomas and brain tumors.
Andrew B. Sharabi, MD, PhD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Head & Neck Cancers, Urologic Cancer, Lung Cancer

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Andrew B. Sharabi, MD, PhD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating prostate cancer, head and neck cancer, skin cancers, and cancers that affect the lung area (thoracic malignancies).

Daniel R. Simpson, MD
Radiation Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View Road
Chula Vista - Lane Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Daniel R. Simpson, MD, is a radiation oncologist who specializes in treating cancer of the liver, gastrointestinal tract and central nervous system (the brain and spinal cord). Dr. Simpson uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. He is experienced in intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT), stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) and stereotactic body radiotherapy (SBRT). Dr. Simpson also manages the care and treatment of cancer patients and works closely with other doctors, including medical and surgical oncologists, to provide comprehensive care.
Radiation Oncology (cont.)

Catheryn M. Yashar, MD
Chief of Gynecologic and Breast Radiation Services,
Radiation Oncology
Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Specialties:
Radiation Oncology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Breast Cancer, Gynecological Cancers

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6040

Bio:
Catheryn M. Yashar, MD, is a board-certified radiation oncologist who specializes in treating breast and gynecologic cancers. Dr. Yashar uses carefully targeted, high doses of radiation energy to destroy or damage cancer cells. She is highly experienced in intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT) and brachytherapy. Dr. Yashar also manages the care and treatment of cancer patients and works closely with other doctors, including medical and surgical oncologists, to provide comprehensive care.
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.

Stephen M. Dorros, MD, FACP
Medical Director, Outpatient Imaging Services
Professor of Radiology

Specialty:
Radiology

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3405

Bio:
Steven M. Dorros, MD, is a board-certified radiologist with subspecialty training in neuroradiology. His clinical focus is on imaging the brain and spine to better understand and treat a variety of conditions, including back pain, sports injuries, malignancies and epilepsy.

Michael Hahn, MD, PhD
Radiologist
Assistant Professor of Radiology

Specialty:
Radiology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3405

Bio:
Michael E. Hahn, MD, PhD, is a board-certified diagnostic radiologist with expertise in body imaging and imaging tumors in the abdominal cavity. He uses a range of imaging technologies such as x-rays, computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), ultrasound, or nuclear medicine to diagnose disease.
Cynthia Sawhney Santillan, MD
Radiologist
Chief of Body Imaging Section
Chief of Body Computed Tomography
Professor of Radiology

**Specialty:**
Radiology

**Add'l Language:**
Spanish

**Jacobs Medical Center**
**Moores Cancer Center**
**Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3405

**Bio:**
Dr. Santillan is a body imager who interprets computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and ultrasound (US) of the abdomen and pelvis. She strives to provide excellent patient care by working as a team with physicians throughout the medical center to diagnose and treat complicated medical problems. As Chief of Body CT, she is constantly working to improve the quality of CT imaging at UCSD.
Speech-Language Pathology

Speech-language pathology is the clinical specialty that focuses on evaluating and treating communication disorders and swallowing disorders. Learn more about [speech and language therapy](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health.

**Liza S. Blumenfeld, MA, CCC-SLP, BCS-S**

**Specialty:**
Speech-Language Pathology

**Add'l Language:**
Spanish

**Moores Cancer Center**
La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 249-4070

**Bio:**
Liza Blumenfeld, MA, is a speech-language pathologist with expertise in managing complex voice and swallowing disorders in a variety of patients, including those with head and neck cancer. She is a board-certified swallowing disorders specialist (BCS-S) whose therapeutic approach integrates science and technology within a multidisciplinary care model. She is dedicated to restoring patients' quality of life while they battle the side effects of cancer treatments.

**Kristen Linnemeyer, MA, CCC-SLP**

**Specialty:**
Speech-Language Pathology

**Moores Cancer Center**
La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

**Contact:**
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Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 249-4070

**Bio:**
Kristen Linnemeyer, MA, CCC-SLP, is a certified speech-language pathologist with expertise in assessing and treating patients with complex voice and swallowing disorders that occur as a result of illness, surgery, stroke, injury, or head and neck cancer. She has a special interest in post-laryngectomy voice and swallow restoration. Linnemeyer is part of the voice and swallow team within Head and Neck Surgery at UC San Diego Health.
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.

Kevin Thomas Brumund, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Kevin Brumund, MD, is a board-certified head and neck surgeon whose practice is dedicated solely to the treatment of head and neck tumors. Dr. Brumund has extensive training and experience in cancer surgery and specializes in treating both benign and malignant tumors of the head and neck. This includes tumors of the entire upper aerodigestive tract (mouth, throat, nose, sinuses, and voice box), salivary glands (parotid and submandibular glands), neck, facial skin, thyroid and parathyroid glands.

Charles Coffey, MD, FACS
Head and Neck Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6631

Bio:
Charles Coffey, MD, is a board-certified otolaryngologist and fellowship-trained head and neck cancer surgeon who specializes in diagnosing and treating patients with a broad range of benign and malignant tumors of the head and neck.
Surgery (cont.)

Rick A. Friedman, MD, PhD
Neurotologist
Vice Chief, Division of Otolaryngology
Director, Acoustic Neuroma Program
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery
Subspecialties:
Otolaryngology / Skull-Base Surgery, Hearing & Balance Disorders

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices: (858) 657-8590
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Rick Friedman, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurotologist, a specialist who treats neurological disorders of the ear. He is a world-renowned expert in the treatment of acoustic neuroma, a benign tumor that develops on the main nerve connecting the ear to the brain. In addition to leading the acoustic neuroma program at UC San Diego Health, he also treats meningioma, neurofibromatosis type 2 (NF2), glomus tumors, hearing impairment, otosclerosis, Meniere’s disease, cholesteatoma, superior canal dehiscence and chronic ear infections.

Frederic J. Kolb, MD
Plastic Surgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Plastic Surgery, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Reconstructive Surgery
Add'l Language:
French

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr: (619) 294-3746
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Frederic Kolb, MD, MS, MRes, is an internationally recognized board-certified plastic surgeon who specializes in oncologic reconstruction, correcting defects following breast, head and neck, skin, and soft tissue sarcoma resections. He performs breast oncologic surgery and reconstruction with autologous perforator flaps, in addition to head and reconstruction with all variety of chimeric flaps.
Marc S. Schwartz, MD
Neurosurgeon

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Neurosurgery: (619) 543-5540
Direct Clinic Line - ENT/Head & Neck Surgery: (858) 657-8590
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Marc Schwartz, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who is an internationally renowned expert on the treatment of patients with acoustic neuromas, skull base tumors, and neurofibromatosis type 2 (NF2). He is also the recognized neurosurgical leader in the field of auditory brainstem implants. In addition, Dr. Schwartz treats complex cranial problems, meningiomas, brain tumors, pituitary tumors, cranial nerve disorders, and intradural spine tumors.
Surgery - General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

**Joel M. Baumgartner, MD**
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Surgical Oncology, Pancreatic Cancer, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

**Bio:**
Joel M. Baumgartner, MD, is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the gastrointestinal (GI) tract. He treats tumors that have metastasized to the abdomen, using treatment known as the "chemo bath" or hyperthermic (heated) intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC). This treatment involves surgical resection of all tumors followed by circulation of heated chemotherapy throughout the abdomen. This technique avoids many of the toxicities associated with systemic chemotherapy, while exposing the abdomen to higher concentrations of chemotherapy.

**Michael Bouvet, MD**
Director of Endocrine Surgery
Professor of Surgery
Co-Director, Center for Fluorescence-Guided Surgery

**Specialties:**
Cancer, Surgery

**Subspecialties:**
Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer

**Jacobs Medical Center**
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7000

**Bio:**
Michael Bouvet, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in endocrine surgery and surgical oncology. He is the director of Endocrine Surgery and co-director of the Gastrointestinal Cancer Unit at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Bouvet’s expertise includes performing surgery for benign and cancerous thyroid nodules; parathyroidectomy for hyperparathyroidism, Whipple procedures (pancreatoduodenectomy) for pancreatic cancer; minimally invasive robotic-assisted esophagectomy; and laparoscopic adrenal surgery. He also performs surgery for tumors of the parathyroid glands, adrenal glands, liver, esophagus, stomach and pancreas.
Surgery - General and Gastrointestinal Surgery (cont.)

Bryan Clary, MD, FACS
Surgeon-In-Chief
Chair and Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Pancreatic Cancer, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (866) 773-2703

**Bio:**
Bryan Clary, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who provides surgical care for patients with diseases of the liver, pancreas and bile ducts. He is a part of the gastrointestinal and pancreatic cancer teams at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Clary has extensive experience in performing surgeries associated with cancers of the liver, pancreas, gallbladder, and bile ducts. He is nationally recognized for excellent outcomes following these complex procedures.

Kaitlyn Kelly, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Surgical Oncology, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (866) 773-2703

**Bio:**
Kaitlyn Kelly, MD, is a surgical oncologist with board certification in general surgery and complex general surgical oncology. Her expertise includes treating benign and malignant gastrointestinal (GI) and endocrine diseases including those of the esophagus, stomach, pancreas, liver, bile ducts, gallbladder, thyroid, and parathyroids, as well as skin cancers and soft-tissue sarcomas.
Surgery - General and Gastrointestinal Surgery (cont.)

Andrew M. Lowy, MD, FACS
Chief, Division of Surgical Oncology
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Andrew M. Lowy, MD is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the pancreas and GI tract. Dr. Lowy is recognized worldwide for his expertise in pancreatic cancer surgery and in the management of complex gastrointestinal cancers. He is also known for investigating novel cancer treatments, including heated intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC), to treat advanced abdominal cancers.

Jason Sicklick, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6173

Bio:
Jason Sicklick, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating hepatobiliary diseases and sarcomas, including gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST). He has a special interest in abdominal and retroperitoneal sarcomas, primary liver tumors and colorectal and neuroendocrine cancers that have metastasized to the liver.
Jula Veerapong, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Jula Veerapong, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal malignancies. He is an expert in peritoneal surface malignancies, which include cancers that have originated from or spread to the peritoneal lining (lining of the abdominal cavity). He treats people with pseudomyxoma peritonei, appendiceal cancer (low grade and high grade), colorectal cancer, sarcomas (desmoplastic small round cell tumors), mesothelioma, and gynecologic malignancies (epithelial ovarian cancer, primary peritoneal carcinoma, borderline mucinous tumor of the ovary).
Surgery - Hepatobiliary Surgery

Bryan Clary, MD, FACS
Surgeon-In-Chief
Chair and Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Pancreatic Cancer, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Bryan Clary, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who provides surgical care for patients with diseases of the liver, pancreas and bile ducts. He is a part of the gastrointestinal and pancreatic cancer teams at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Clary has extensive experience in performing surgeries associated with cancers of the liver, pancreas, gallbladder, and bile ducts. He is nationally recognized for excellent outcomes following these complex procedures.

Jason Sicklick, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6173

Bio:
Jason Sicklick, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating hepatobiliary diseases and sarcomas, including gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST). He has a special interest in abdominal and retroperitoneal sarcomas, primary liver tumors and colorectal and neuroendocrine cancers that have metastasized to the liver.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive 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

Bio:
Thomas Beaumont, MD, PhD, is a neurosurgeon who specializes in skull
base and minimally invasive cranial surgery. He performs both open
microsurgery and endoscopic approaches for brain, skull base and pituitary
tumors where he tailors the surgical approach to provide maximally
effective yet minimally invasive neurosurgical care. Dr. Beaumont has a
passion for the treatment of meningiomas, pituitary tumors,
craniopharyngiomas and clival chordomas, and is an expert in the
endoscopic endonasal approach (EEA). Additionally, he treats cavernous
malformations, cranial nerve compression syndromes and craniocervical
junction disease.

Joseph A. Califano, III, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Physician in Chief, Moores Cancer Center
Director, Head and Neck Cancer Center

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Minimally Invasive
Surgery, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery

Bio:
Joseph A. Califano, III, MD, is a board-certified otolaryngologist who
specializes in head and neck surgical oncology, and the integration of basic,
molecular biologic research in that practice. His expertise includes minimally
invasive treatment of tumors of the oral cavity, larynx, pharynx, thyroid, and
neck to minimize cosmetic impact and maximize function, with an interest in
tumors of the skull base, mouth, salivary glands, and premalignant
conditions of the upper aerodigestive tract.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery (cont.)

Mark W. Onaitis, MD
Thoracic Surgeon
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Lung Cancer, Minimally Invasive Surgery

Moores Cancer Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Surgery: (877) 586-4727
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Mark Onaitis, MD, is a board-certified thoracic surgeon who specializes in malignant and benign conditions of the chest, including lung cancer, esophageal cancer, thymic malignancy, gastroesophageal reflux, achalasia, paraesophageal hernia, and myasthenia gravis. He uses minimally invasive approaches – thoracoscopy and robotics – to treat these conditions.

Ryan K. Orosco, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Minimally Invasive Surgery

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Ryan Orosco, MD, is a board-certified head and neck surgeon who specializes in the surgical treatment of benign and malignant tumors and complex reconstruction of the head and neck. He cares for patients with head and neck tumors, thyroid and parathyroid disorders, and cancer of the face, scalp, nose, mouth, tongue, and throat. Dr. Orosco is skilled in advanced reconstruction techniques, including microvascular free flaps, the transplant of tissue to restore function and appearance. He employs minimally invasive techniques, such as transoral robotic surgery and transoral laser microsurgery, when appropriate.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery (cont.)

Kyoko Sakamoto, MD
Urologist
Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer, Urologic Cancer

Add'l Language:
Japanese

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Kyoko Sakamoto, MD, is a board-certified urologist who specializes in laparoscopy and endourology. Her additional interests are neurourology and general urology.
Surgery - Surgical Oncology

Joel M. Baumgartner, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Surgical Oncology, Pancreatic Cancer, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Bio:
Joel M. Baumgartner, MD, is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the gastrointestinal (GI) tract. He treats tumors that have metastasized to the abdomen, using treatment known as the “chemo bath” or hyperthermic (heated) intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC). This treatment involves surgical resection of all tumors followed by circulation of heated chemotherapy throughout the abdomen. This technique avoids many of the toxicities associated with systemic chemotherapy, while exposing the abdomen to higher concentrations of chemotherapy.

Sarah L. Blair, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Breast Cancer, Surgical Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Bio:
Sarah L. Blair is a surgical oncologist and board-certified general surgeon who specializes in diagnosing and treating breast cancer, melanoma, sarcoma and soft tissue tumors. Her expertise is in sentinel node staging for breast cancer, utilizing new energy sources for better resection of tumors, and innovative reconstructive techniques for breast conservation operations.
Surgery - Surgical Oncology (cont.)

Michael Bouvet, MD
Director of Endocrine Surgery
Professor of Surgery
Co-Director, Center for Fluorescence-Guided Surgery

Specialties:
Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7000

Bio:
Michael Bouvet, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in endocrine surgery and surgical oncology. He is the director of Endocrine Surgery and co-director of the Gastrointestinal Cancer Unit at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Bouvet's expertise includes performing surgery for benign and cancerous thyroid nodules; parathyroidectomy for hyperparathyroidism, Whipple procedures (pancreatoduodenectomy) for pancreatic cancer; minimally invasive robotic-assisted esophagectomy; and laparoscopic adrenal surgery. He also performs surgery for tumors of the parathyroid glands, adrenal glands, liver, esophagus, stomach and pancreas.

Bryan Clary, MD, FACS
Surgeon-In-Chief
Chair and Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Pancreatic Cancer, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Bryan Clary, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who provides surgical care for patients with diseases of the liver, pancreas and bile ducts. He is a part of the gastrointestinal and pancreatic cancer teams at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Clary has extensive experience in performing surgeries associated with cancers of the liver, pancreas, gallbladder, and bile ducts. He is nationally recognized for excellent outcomes following these complex procedures.
Surgery - Surgical Oncology (cont.)

Kaitlyn Kelly, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Surgical Oncology, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Kaitlyn Kelly, MD, is a surgical oncologist with board certification in general surgery and complex general surgical oncology. Her expertise includes treating benign and malignant gastrointestinal (GI) and endocrine diseases including those of the esophagus, stomach, pancreas, liver, bile ducts, gallbladder, thyroid, and parathyroids, as well as skin cancers and soft-tissue sarcomas.

Andrew M. Lowy, MD, FACS
Chief, Division of Surgical Oncology
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Andrew M. Lowy, MD is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the pancreas and GI tract. Dr. Lowy is recognized worldwide for his expertise in pancreatic cancer surgery and in the management of complex gastrointestinal cancers. He is also known for investigating novel cancer treatments, including heated intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC), to treat advanced abdominal cancers.
Surgery - Surgical Oncology (cont.)

Jason Sicklick, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 822-6173

Bio:
Jason Sicklick, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating hepatobiliary diseases and sarcomas, including gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST). He has a special interest in abdominal and retroperitoneal sarcomas, primary liver tumors and colorectal and neuroendocrine cancers that have metastasized to the liver.

Jula Veerapong, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center:: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Jula Veerapong, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal malignancies. He is an expert in peritoneal surface malignancies, which include cancers that have originated from or spread to the peritoneal lining (lining of the abdominal cavity). He treats people with pseudomyxoma peritonei, appendiceal cancer (low grade and high grade), colorectal cancer, sarcomas (desmoplastic small round cell tumors), mesothelioma, and gynecologic malignancies (epithelial ovarian cancer, primary peritoneal carcinoma, borderline mucinous tumor of the ovary).
Rebekah R. (Becke) White, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Surgical Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (866) 773-2703
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Rebekah White, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating tumors of the pancreas, liver, bile duct, and upper gastrointestinal tract such as the stomach. Dr. White is part of the gastrointestinal cancer unit at UC San Diego Health’s Moores Cancer Center, where she works alongside a multidisciplinary team to provide cancer patients with advanced surgical options that are best suited to their individual needs.
Surgery - Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery

Michael Bouvet, MD
Director of Endocrine Surgery
Professor of Surgery
Co-Director, Center for Fluorescence-Guided Surgery

Specialties:
Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery,
Surgical Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Gastrointestinal Cancers,
Pancreatic Cancer

Jacobs Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7000

Bio:
Michael Bouvet, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in endocrine surgery and surgical oncology. He is the director of Endocrine Surgery and co-director of the Gastrointestinal Cancer Unit at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Bouvet’s expertise includes performing surgery for benign and cancerous thyroid nodules; parathyroidectomy for hyperparathyroidism, Whipple procedures (pancreatoduodenectomy) for pancreatic cancer; minimally invasive robotic-assisted esophagectomy; and laparoscopic adrenal surgery. He also performs surgery for tumors of the parathyroid glands, adrenal glands, liver, esophagus, stomach and pancreas.
Transplantation - Liver Transplantation

Yuko Kono, MD, PhD
Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist
Professor of Medicine and Radiology

Specialties:
Gastroenterology, Transplantation, Hepatology (Liver)

Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation

Add'l Language:
Japanese

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5415

Bio:
Yuko Kono, MD, PhD, is a liver doctor (hepatologist) with specialized training and experience managing the liver health of patients with primary liver cancer. Her clinical practice is focused on hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) surveillance, diagnosis, management, general hepatology and liver transplantation. She is also an expert in contrast enhanced ultrasound imaging.
Kyoko Sakamoto, MD
Urologist
Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer, Urologic Cancer

Add'l Language:
Japanese

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Kyoko Sakamoto, MD, is a board-certified urologist who specializes in laparoscopy and endourology. Her additional interests are neurourology and general urology.
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