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La Jolla, CA 92037

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4510 and 4520 Executive Drive
San Diego, CA 92121

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San Diego, CA 92121

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La Jolla, CA 92037

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9434 Medical Center Drive
La Jolla, CA 92093

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La Jolla, CA 92093

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9300 Campus Point Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037

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9400 Campus Point Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037

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9350 Campus Point Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037

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UC San Diego Medical Center
200 West Arbor Drive
San Diego, CA 92103

4th and Lewis Medical Offices
330 Lewis Street
San Diego, CA 92103

Medical Offices North
200 West Arbor Drive
San Diego, CA 92103

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4168 Front Street
San Diego, CA 92103

UC San Diego Medical Center
200 West Arbor Drive
San Diego, CA 92103

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Includes Rancho Bernardo Urgent Care
16950 Via Tazon
San Diego, CA 92127

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Includes Encinitas Express Care (Suite 110)
1200 Garden View Road
Encinitas, CA 92024

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Encinitas, CA 92024

College Area
6719 Alvarado Road, Suite 302
San Diego, CA 92120

Downtown
Downtown Express Care
203 West F Street
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Vista
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Vista, CA 92081

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4910 Directors Place
San Diego, CA 92121

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9909 Mira Mesa Blvd, Suite 200
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7910 Frost Street
San Diego, CA 92123

Chula Vista
959 Lane Avenue
Chula Vista, CA 91914

Temecula
31720 Temecula Parkway, Suite 100
Temecula, CA 92592
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Cardiology - General Cardiology

Luis R. Castellanos, MD, MPH
Cardiologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Cardiology

Subspecialty:
General Cardiology

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5743

Bio:
Luis Castellanos, MD, MPH, is a board-certified cardiologist. As a general cardiologist, he enjoys helping patients improve their cardiovascular health by applying evidence-based strategies, state-of-the-art technology and pharmacotherapy to target coronary disease, hypertension, hyperlipidemia and other cardiac diseases.
Emergency Medicine - Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care

Karen Van Hoesen, MD
Director, Diving Medicine
Co-Director, San Diego Center of Excellence in Diving
Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialty:
Emergency Medicine
Subspecialty:
Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6463

Bio:
Karen Van Hoesen, MD, is a board-certified emergency medicine physician who specializes in undersea and hyperbaric medicine. She is recognized as one of the world’s leading authorities on diving medicine. Within UC San Diego Health’s Hyperbaric Medicine and Wound Care Program, Dr. Van Hoesen assesses a person’s fitness to dive, treats diving accidents and uses hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT) to treat conditions such as decompression illness, carbon monoxide poisoning, gas gangrene, non-healing wounds and tissue damage from radiation, burns or infection. She is also the co-director of the San Diego Center of Excellence in Diving (SDCED).
Family Medicine

Family Medicine provides health care for all ages, genders and diseases — it is focused on knowledge of the patient in the context of family and community — stressing disease prevention and health promotion. Learn more about family medicine at UC San Diego Health System.

Terri L Cheng, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Terri Cheng, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full spectrum of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children and adults. She has a special interest in women’s health care, including well-women care, contraception and family planning, and outpatient gynecological procedures such as endometrial biopsies and colposcopy. She believes in treating the person as a whole and the importance of good patient-provider communication.

Sarah Merrill, MD
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Scripps Ranch - Mira Mesa Blvd
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8200

Bio:
Sarah Merrill, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. In addition to diagnosing and treating injuries associated with athletics, Dr. Merrill provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She also has a special interest in rehabilitating individuals with yoga injuries, as well as performing ultrasound guided diagnostics and procedures.

Kurtis Lindeman, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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Bio:
Kurtis Lindeman, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor and psychiatrist. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Richard (Willie) Novotny, MD  
Primary Care Physician  

Specialties:  
Primary Care, Family Medicine  
Add'l Language:  
Spanish  

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices  
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Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260  

Bio:  
Richard Novotny, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children and adults. He is skilled in chronic disease management while also focused on preventive medicine and helping patients strive for their best health.

Elizabeth Rosenblum, MD  
Primary Care Physician  

Specialties:  
Primary Care, Family Medicine  

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices  
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Bio:  
Elizabeth Rosenblum, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children and adults. He is skilled in chronic disease management while also focused on preventive medicine and helping patients strive for their best health.

Alan Shahtaji, DO  
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist  
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health  

Specialties:  
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine  

La Jolla - Genesee Avenue  
Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices  
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive  
Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600  

Bio:  
Alan Shahtaji, DO, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. He directs UC San Diego Health’s Sports Concussion Clinic, which offers comprehensive care for concussion assessment and management. As an osteopathic physician, Dr. Shahtaji has a whole-body approach to medicine. His areas of expertise include musculoskeletal ultrasound, fracture management, osteopathic manual medicine for sports injuries, and treating non-operative orthopedic problems; as well as a special interest in exercise and nutrition.

Christine Thorne, MD, MPH  
Primary Care Physician  

Specialties:  
Primary Care, Family Medicine  

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices  
Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260  

Bio:  
Christine Thorne, MD, provides primary care for adults and families, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Regina M. Wang, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Family Medicine

**Add'l Languages:**
American Sign Language (ASL), Mandarin, Spanish

**Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
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Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

**Bio:**
Regina M. Wang, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Jennifer J. Wu, MD,
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Family Medicine

**Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices**

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**Bio:**
Jennifer J. Wu, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages and in all stages of their life, including preventive care, women's healthcare, pediatric care, and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She treats the whole family and develops long-term relationships with her patients. She also provides prenatal care for women, delivers babies, and cares for new families postpartum.
Family Medicine - Integrative & Holistic Medicine

Julie Çelebi, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Subspecialty:
Integrative & Holistic Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Julie Çelebi, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children and adults. She is skilled in chronic disease management while also focused on preventive medicine and helping patients strive for their best health.

Melanie R. Fiorella, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Subspecialty:
Integrative & Holistic Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Melanie Fiorella, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She has a special interest in women’s health, mood disorders, back pain, gastrointestinal disorders and sleep problems.
Family Medicine - Integrative & Holistic Medicine (cont.)

Gene A. Kallenberg, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Family Medicine

**Subspecialty:**
Integrative & Holistic Medicine

**Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

**Bio:**
Gene Kallenberg, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. With integrative medicine, Dr. Kallenberg brings complementary approaches to his patient's overall care plan including mindfulness-based stress reduction, whole food/plant based nutrition approaches and body work approaches like yoga, massage, acupuncture and Tai-Chi.

Deepa Sannidhi, MD
Primary Care Physician

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Family Medicine

**Subspecialty:**
Integrative & Holistic Medicine

**Add'l Language:**
Telugu

**Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

**Bio:**
Deepa Sannidhi, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children, adolescents, adults and seniors. Trained in preventive medicine, Dr. Sannidhi provides chronic disease management and also helps people prevent and treat disease through lifestyle and integrative medicine. Her expertise includes women's health, integrative medicine, and lifestyle medicine, which uses evidence-based therapeutic approaches such as nutrition, exercise, stress management, sleep and other non-drug modalities, to decrease disease risk and illness.
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.

Jeffrey D. Jenks, MD, MPH
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Infectious Diseases

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9250

Bio:
Jeffrey Jenks, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. He provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. Dr. Jenks also has advanced training in infectious diseases and a special interest in treating tuberculosis.
Internal Medicine

Internal Medicine specializes in diagnosis, nonsurgical treatment, and preventive medicine of diseases affecting the internal organs. Learn more about internal medicine at UC San Diego Health System.

Lynette Cederquist, MD
Professor of Medicine
Pain Management Specialist

Specialties:
Internal Medicine, Pain Management

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
La Jolla - 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8000

Bio:
Lynette Cederquist, MD, is a hospice and palliative medicine specialist who helps relieve suffering in people with life-limiting and advanced illnesses. As a provider of palliative care, she aims to optimize comfort and quality of life while addressing the psychological, social, and spiritual concerns of patients and their families. Dr. Cedequist currently only sees patients with chronic pain who have been referred to her by internists at UC San Diego Health.

Deanna Hill, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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Bio:
Deanna Hill, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. She provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Amy Huang, MD, MPH
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Mandarin, Taiwanese

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
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Bio:
Amy Huang, MD, is board-certified in internal medicine and pediatrics. She provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She has a special interest in preventive medicine and is passionate about global health and medical education.
Internal Medicine (cont.)

Jeffrey D. Jenks, MD, MPH
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Infectious Diseases

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

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Bio:
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Ottar Viker Lunde, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Norwegian, Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Kearny Mesa: (858) 496-4800
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 203-4962
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 471-9250

Bio:
Ottar V. Lunde, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. He provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. Dr. Lunde has a special interest in heart failure, sleep medicine and weight loss counseling.

Lawrence Ma, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
Mandarin

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
Kearny Mesa - Frost Street
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

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Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 203-4962
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 471-9250

Bio:
Lawrence Ma, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician and internal medicine doctor who provides primary care for children, adults and seniors, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. He is a part of UC San Diego Health's pediatrics program, which offers comprehensive care for infants, children and teenagers, through all their developmental stages, in a supportive, family-friendly environment. Specifically, Dr. Ma’s areas of care focus on children with complex medical problems and helping them transition to adult care. He also has advanced training in geriatric medicine, and has a special interest in maintaining the health and wellness of older adults as they transition through the stages of aging.
Internal Medicine (cont.)

Armelia Sani, MD, FACP
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine
Add'l Language:
Indonesian

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9250

Bio:
Armelia Sani, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Julie R. Sierra, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9250

Bio:
Julie Sierra, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. She provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. Dr. Sierra treats individuals from their late teens (age 18 and older) to older adults, and her clinical interests include (but are not limited to) women's health, disease prevention and screening, and chronic disease management. She also manages the care of people with multiple medical problems ranging from diabetes and hypertension, to thyroid disease, heart conditions, and many others.

Lori Wan, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
Kearny Mesa - Frost Street
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Lori Wan, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor and pediatrician. She provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Occupational/Environmental Medicine

University of California San Diego Health System's Center for Occupational & Environmental Medicine (COEM) provides the San Diego area with a full range of services for: prevention and compliance assistance, work injury treatment & management, blood borne pathogen exposure, travel medicine & vaccinations, dive medicine, and case coordination. Learn more about occupational/environmental medicine at UC San Diego Health System.

Marcia Isakari, MD, MPH
Medical Director, Occupational and Environmental Medicine

Specialty: Occupational/Environmental Medicine
Add'l Languages: Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane
Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9210

Bio:
Marcia Isakari, MD, MPH, is a board-certified occupational medicine physician. She has extensive clinical and leadership experience directing occupational medicine clinics and delivering clinical services to employers in virtually all industrial sectors, including biotech/life sciences/technology, public entity, and manufacturing.

John C. Kim, MD
Physician, Occupational and Environmental Medicine

Specialty: Occupational/Environmental Medicine

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9210

Bio:
John C. Kim, MD, is a board-certified occupational medicine physician who specializes in treating and managing work-related injuries, illnesses and diseases.

Donald M. Molenaar

Specialty: Occupational/Environmental Medicine

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9210

Bio:
Donald Molenaar, MD, MPH, is a board-certified occupational medicine physician with extensive experience in clinical care and corporate medical services.
Osteopathic Medicine

Hollis H. King, DO, PhD
Osteopathic Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialty:
Osteopathic Medicine

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
La Jolla - Genesee Avenue
La Jolla - 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Hollis H. King, DO, is a board-certified osteopathic physician. He has a whole-body approach to medicine and is highly experienced in osteopathic manipulative treatment, a type of hands-on care that diagnoses and treats illness and injury by moving a person’s muscles and joints to ease pain and increase mobility.

Alan Shahtaji, DO
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine

La Jolla - Genesee Avenue
Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Alan Shahtaji, DO, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. He directs UC San Diego Health’s Sports Concussion Clinic, which offers comprehensive care for concussion assessment and management. As an osteopathic physician, Dr. Shahtaji has a whole-body approach to medicine. His areas of expertise include musculoskeletal ultrasound, fracture management, osteopathic manual medicine for sports injuries, and treating non-operative orthopedic problems; as well as a special interest in exercise and nutrition.
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 System.

Lynette Cederquist, MD
Professor of Medicine
Pain Management Specialist

Specialties:
Internal Medicine, Pain Management
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
La Jolla - 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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Bio:
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Pediatrics

Pediatrics is the branch of medicine concerned with children’s health and the prevention and treatment of illnesses in children. Learn more about pediatrics at UC San Diego Health System.

Lawrence Ma, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
Mandarin

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
Kearny Mesa - Frost Street
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Bio:
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Lori Wan, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
Kearny Mesa - Frost Street
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Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Lori Wan, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor and pediatrician. She provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Primary Care

Primary care is the basic level of medical care at which a patient is evaluated and treated by a nurse or physician, and if necessary, is then referred to a medical specialist. Learn more about primary care at UC San Diego Health System.

Julie Çelebi, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Subspecialty:
Integrative & Holistic Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Julie Çelebi, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children and adults. She is skilled in chronic disease management while also focused on preventive medicine and helping patients strive for their best health.

Terri L Cheng, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
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Bio:
Terri Cheng, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full spectrum of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children and adults. She has a special interest in women’s health care, including well-women care, contraception and family planning, and outpatient gynecological procedures such as endometrial biopsies and colposcopy. She believes in treating the person as a whole and the importance of good patient-provider communication.
Primary Care (cont.)

Melanie R. Fiorella, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Subspecialty:
Integrative & Holistic Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Bio:
Melanie Fiorella, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She has a special interest in women’s health, mood disorders, back pain, gastrointestinal disorders and sleep problems.

Deanna Hill, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine

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Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9250

Bio:
Deanna Hill, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. She provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Lawrence Friedman, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Dean, Clinical Affairs
Professor of Clinical Medicine and Pediatrics

Specialty:
Primary Care

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Bio:
Lawrence Friedman, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. He provides primary care for young adults with HIV.

Amy Huang, MD, MPH
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Mandarin, Taiwanese

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Bio:
Amy Huang, MD, is board-certified in internal medicine and pediatrics. She provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She has a special interest in preventive medicine and is passionate about global health and medical education.
Primary Care (cont.)

Jeffrey D. Jenks, MD, MPH
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Infectious Diseases

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Bio:
Jeffrey Jenks, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. He provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. Dr. Jenks also has advanced training in infectious diseases and a special interest in treating tuberculosis.

Gene A. Kallenberg, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Subspecialty:
Integrative & Holistic Medicine

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Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Gene Kallenberg, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. With integrative medicine, Dr. Kallenberg brings complementary approaches to his patient’s overall care plan including mindfulness-based stress reduction, whole food/plant based nutrition approaches and body work approaches like yoga, massage, acupuncture and Tai-Chi.

Kurtis Lindeman, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

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Contact:
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Fax: (619) 471-9300

Bio:
Kurtis Lindeman, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor and psychiatrist. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Ottar Viker Lunde, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine
Add'l Languages:
Norwegian, Spanish

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Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9250

Bio:
Ottar V. Lunde, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. He provides primary care for adults, including preventive care as well as the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. Dr. Lunde has a special interest in heart failure, sleep medicine and weight loss counseling. He is certified by the American Board of Obesity Medicine.
Primary Care (cont.)

Lawrence Ma, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
Mandarin

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Kearny Mesa - Frost Street
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - Kearny Mesa: (858) 496-4800
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 203-4962
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (819) 471-9250

Bio:
Lawrence Ma, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician and internal medicine doctor who provides primary care for children, adults and seniors, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. He is a part of UC San Diego Health's pediatrics program, which offers comprehensive care for infants, children and teenagers, through all their developmental stages, in a supportive, family-friendly environment. Specifically, Dr. Ma’s areas of care focus on children with complex medical problems and helping them transition to adult care. He also has advanced training in geriatric medicine, and has a special interest in maintaining the health and wellness of older adults as they transition through the stages of aging.

Sarah Merrill, MD
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Scripps Ranch - Mira Mesa Blvd
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Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8200

Bio:
Sarah Merrill, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. In addition to diagnosing and treating injuries associated with athletics, Dr. Merrill provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She also has a special interest in rehabilitating individuals with yoga injuries, as well as performing ultrasound guided diagnostics and procedures.
Primary Care (cont.)

Richard (Willie) Novotny, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Richard Novotny, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children and adults. He is skilled in chronic disease management while also focused on preventive medicine and helping patients strive for their best health.

Elizabeth Rosenblum, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

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Contact:
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Bio:
Elizabeth Rosenblum, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She is committed to providing compassionate and comprehensive care to individuals and families. Due to her extensive background in maternal-child health, Dr. Rosenblum focuses primarily on the care of pregnant women and of newborns, children and adolescents. She is also a member of a multidisciplinary team that cares for pregnant women in the Diabetes and Pregnancy Program.

Armelia Sani, MD, FACP
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine

Add'l Language:
Indonesian

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Contact:
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Bio:
Armelia Sani, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Deepa Sannidhi, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Subspecialty:
Integrative & Holistic Medicine

Add'l Language:
Telugu

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Contact:
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Bio:
Deepa Sannidhi, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children, adolescents, adults and seniors. Trained in preventive medicine, Dr. Sannidhi provides chronic disease management and also helps people prevent and treat disease through lifestyle and integrative medicine. Her expertise includes women's health, integrative medicine, and lifestyle medicine, which uses evidence-based therapeutic approaches such as nutrition, exercise, stress management, sleep and other non-drug modalities, to decrease disease risk and illness.
Primary Care (cont.)

Alan Shahtaji, DO
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Alan Shahtaji, DO, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. He directs UC San Diego Health's [Sports Concussion Clinic](#), which offers comprehensive care for concussion assessment and management. As an osteopathic physician, Dr. Shahtaji has a whole-body approach to medicine. His areas of expertise include musculoskeletal ultrasound, fracture management, osteopathic manual medicine for sports injuries, and treating non-operative orthopedic problems; as well as a special interest in exercise and nutrition.

Julie R. Sierra, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9250

Bio:
Julie Sierra, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor. She provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. Dr. Sierra treats individuals from their late teens (age 18 and older) to older adults, and her clinical interests include (but are not limited to) women's health, disease prevention and screening, and chronic disease management. She also manages the care of people with multiple medical problems ranging from diabetes and hypertension, to thyroid disease, heart conditions, and many others.

Christine Thorne, MD, MPH
Primary Care Physician

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Christine Thorne, MD, provides primary care for adults and families, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Primary Care (cont.)

Lori Wan, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Lori Wan, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor and pediatrician. She provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Jennifer J. Wu, MD,
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

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Bio:
Jennifer J. Wu, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages and in all stages of their life, including preventive care, women’s healthcare, pediatric care, and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She treats the whole family and develops long-term relationships with her patients. She also provides prenatal care for women, delivers babies, and cares for new families postpartum.

Regina M. Wang, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Languages:
American Sign Language (ASL), Mandarin, Spanish

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Contact:
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Bio:
Regina M. Wang, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Psychiatry

Psychiatry is the branch of medicine concerned with the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders. Learn more about psychiatry at UC San Diego Health System.

Julie L. Le, DO
Psychiatrist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialty:
Psychiatry

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Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla Internal Medicine: (858) 657-8000
Direct Clinic Line - Sorrento Valley: (858) 249-5400
Direct Clinic Line - Scripps Ranch: (858) 657-7750
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 471-9250

Bio:
Julie L. Le, DO, is a board-certified psychiatrist who works in primary care clinics alongside primary care doctors to deliver comprehensive psychiatric care. She acts as a psychiatry consultant, offering expert medication review and management for mental health conditions such as depression, bipolar disorder, anxiety, schizophrenia and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).
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 System.

Thomas W. Broderick, MD, FACP
Radiologist
Professor of Radiology

**Specialty:**
Radiology

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Jacobs Medical Center

**Contact:**
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Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3405

**Bio:**
Thomas W. Broderick, MD, is a board-certified diagnostic radiologist. His areas of expertise include general radiology, computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), ultrasound and screening mammography. He has special interest in ultrasound body imaging and chest radiology.

Mahmood F. Mafee, MD, FACP
Professor of Radiology

**Specialty:**
Radiology

**Add'l Language:**
Farsi

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New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273

**Bio:**
Mahmood F. Mafee, MD, FACP is a professor of radiology and specializes in pediatric radiology.

Albert Hsiao, MD, PhD
Radiologist
Assistant Professor of Radiology

**Specialty:**
Radiology

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Jacobs Medical Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6650

**Bio:**
Albert Hsiao, MD, PhD, is a board-certified radiologist who specializes in cardiac and vascular imaging — primarily using CT scans and MRIs — to diagnose and improve care for patients with a range of cardiovascular conditions, including congenital heart disease, mitral and tricuspid valve disease, cardiomyopathy and coronary artery disease.

Michael Middleton, MD, PhD
Radiologist

**Specialty:**
Radiology

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**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3913

**Bio:**
UC San Diego Health Links
Radiology (cont.)

Amol A. Patil, MD
Radiologist

Specialty:
Radiology
Add'l Languages:
French, Hindi

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Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273

Srihari C Sampath

Specialty:
Radiology
Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Contact:
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Elizabeth K Weihe, MD

Specialty:
Radiology

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Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Radiology - Cardiothoracic Imaging

Seth J. Kligerman, MD
Chief, Cardiothoracic Imaging
Associate Professor of Radiology

Specialty:
Radiology
Subspecialty:
Cardiothoracic Imaging

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Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3405

Bio:
Seth J. Kligerman, MD, is a board-certified diagnostic radiologist and an associate professor in the Department of Radiology at UC San Diego School of Medicine.
Radiology - Interventional Radiology

Jeet Minocha, MD
Interventional Radiologist
Chief of Vascular and Interventional Radiology

Specialty:
Radiology
Subspecialty:
Interventional Radiology
Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-0320

Bio:
Jeet Minocha, MD, is a board-certified radiologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating disease and injury through the use of medical imaging techniques. These imaging techniques include X-ray, computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and ultrasound. As an interventional radiologist, Dr. Minocha uses minimally invasive, image-guided procedures targeted to treat the disease process.

Andrew C. Picel, MD
Interventional Radiologist
Assistant Professor of Radiology

Specialty:
Radiology
Subspecialty:
Interventional Radiology

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Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-0320

Bio:
Andrew C. Picel, MD, is a board-certified radiologist specializing in the use of imaging techniques to diagnose and treat disease and injury. These imaging techniques include X-ray, computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and ultrasound.
Radiology - Musculoskeletal Imaging

Edward Smitaman, MD
Radiologist
Assistant Professor of Radiology

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

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Bio:
Edward Smitaman, MD, is a board-certified radiologist with expertise in musculoskeletal imaging. His practice focuses on the use of radiographs, computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and ultrasound to diagnose a variety of musculoskeletal-related conditions, caused by sports injuries, trauma or tumors.
Jason Handwerker, MD  
Neuroradiologist  
Associate Professor of Radiology

Specialty:  
Radiology  
Subspecialty:  
Neuroradiology

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Bio:  
Jason Handwerker, MD, is a board-certified neuroradiologist who specializes in diagnostic imaging of the brain, neck and spine. He uses imaging techniques such as computed tomography (CT) and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) to diagnose conditions that affect the central nervous system, including aging and degenerative diseases, seizure, cancer, stroke, and trauma.
Sports Medicine

Sports medicine is the branch of medicine concerned with the treatment of injuries or illnesses from athletic activities. Learn more about [sports medicine](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health System.

Sarah Merrill, MD  
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist  
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health  

**Specialties:**  
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine  
**Add'l Language:**  
Spanish  

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Alan Shahtaji, DO  
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist  
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health  

**Specialties:**  
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine  

**Contact:**  
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**Bio:**  
Alan Shahtaji, DO, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. He directs UC San Diego Health's [Sports Concussion Clinic](https://health.ucsd.edu), which offers comprehensive care for concussion assessment and management. As an osteopathic physician, Dr. Shahtaji has a whole-body approach to medicine. His areas of expertise include musculoskeletal ultrasound, fracture management, osteopathic manual medicine for sports injuries, and treating non-operative orthopedic problems; as well as a special interest in exercise and nutrition.
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