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Emergency Medicine

Emergency Medicine is the medical specialty dealing with the immediate treatment of patients whose condition is critical, requiring immediate action. Learn more about emergency medicine at UC San Diego Health.

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Emergency Medicine Physician
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Bio: Christanne Hoffman Coffey, MD, FACEP, is a board-certified emergency medicine physician. She treats and cares for people in the emergency department, including those with life-threatening or critical conditions. Her care may include evaluation, resuscitation, stabilization, and referring patients to appropriate medical departments.

Theodore (Ted) Chan, MD, FACEP, FAAEM
Emergency Medicine Physician
Chair of Emergency Medicine

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Kama Z. Guluma, MD
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Professor of Emergency Medicine

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Christian M. Sloane, MD
Emergency Medicine Physician
Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialty:
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Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Vaishal Tolia, MD, MPH, FACEP
Medical Director, Emergency Department
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Specialties:
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Add'l Language:
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Bio:
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Emergency Medicine - Disaster Medicine

Gary M. Vilke, MD
Clinical Service Chief, Emergency Medicine
Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialty:
Emergency Medicine

Subspecialty:
Disaster Medicine

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Bio:
Gary M. Vilke, MD, is a board-certified emergency medicine physician. He is the clinical service chief of Emergency Medicine at UC San Diego Health and co-medical director of the Emergency Departments in Hillcrest and La Jolla, where he oversees the care for people with acute illnesses and injuries. Dr. Vilke’s expertise includes evaluation, immediate decision making and treatment to prevent further harm or disability in patients.
Emergency Medicine - Emergency Ultrasound

Anthony John Medak, MD
Associate Physician
Assistant Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialty:
Emergency Medicine

Subspecialties:
Emergency Ultrasound, Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care

Additional Language:
Spanish

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Bio:
Dr. Medak's areas of interest and research are in the uses of bedside Emergency Department Ultrasound, as well as Diving and Hyperbaric Medicine.
Emergency Medicine - Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care

Ian Grover, MD
Medical Director, Hyperbaric Medicine and Wound Care
Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialty:
Emergency Medicine
Subspeciality:
Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care

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Bio:
Ian Grover, MD, is a board-certified emergency medicine physician who specializes in undersea and hyperbaric medicine. His expertise includes preventing and treating disease and injury in divers and other individuals working in altered atmospheric conditions. Within UC San Diego Health's Hyperbaric Medicine and Wound Care Program, Dr. Grover 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.

Stephen R. Hayden, MD
Emergency Medicine Physician
Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialty:
Emergency Medicine
Subspeciality:
Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care
Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Bio:
Stephen R. Hayden, MD, FAAEM, FACEP, graduated from the accelerated six-year biomedical program at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and Albany Medical College and was elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha honor medical society. He did a General Surgery internship at the San Diego Naval Hospital, which was followed by a tour of duty as senior flight surgeon for the Naval Strike Warfare Center at the NAS Fallon, Nevada.
Emergency Medicine - Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care (cont.)

James Killeen, MD
Emergency Medicine Physician
Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialty:
Emergency Medicine
Subspecialty:
Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care

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Bio:
James Killeen, MD, is a board-certified emergency medicine physician who specializes in undersea and hyperbaric medicine. He treats and cares for patients in the emergency department and urgent care, including those with life-threatening or critical conditions. His care may include evaluation, resuscitation, stabilization, and referring patients to appropriate medical departments.

Anthony John Medak, MD
Associate Physician
Assistant Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialty:
Emergency Medicine
Subspecialties:
Emergency Ultrasound, Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care
Add'l Language:
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Christian A. Tomaszewski, MD

**Specialty:**
Emergency Medicine

**Subspecialties:**
Medical Toxicology, Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care

**Add'l Language:**
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**Bio:**
Dr. Tomaszewski specializes in emergency medicine, medical toxicology and underwater medicine. He is chairman of the education committee for the American College of Emergency Physicians. He is also editor-in-chief of the Journal of Medical Toxicology.

Karen Van Hoesen, MD

**Director, Diving Medicine**
**Co-Director, San Diego Center of Excellence in Diving**
**Professor of Emergency Medicine**

**Specialty:**
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**Subspecialty:**
Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care

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**Bio:**
Karen Van Hoesen, MD, is a board-certified emergency medicine physician who specializes in underwater 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](https://health.ucsd.edu/hyperbaric), 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](https://health.ucsd.edu/sdced) (SDCED).
Emergency Medicine - Medical Toxicology

Richard F. Clark, MD
Medical Toxicologist
Director, Division of Toxicology
Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialty:
Emergency Medicine
Subspecialty:
Medical Toxicology

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Bio:
Dr. Richard Clark, MD, is a board-certified emergency medicine physician and medical toxicologist. He treats and cares for patients in the emergency department and urgent care, including those with life-threatening or critical conditions. His care may include evaluation, resuscitation, stabilization, and referring patients to appropriate medical departments.

Allyson Kreshak, MD, FACEP, FACMT
Emergency Medicine Physician and Medical Toxicologist
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Specialty:
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Subspecialty:
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Allyson Kreshak, MD, is a board-certified emergency medicine physician and medical toxicologist. She treats and cares for patients in the emergency department and urgent care, including those with life-threatening or critical conditions. Her care may include evaluation, resuscitation, stabilization, and referring patients to appropriate medical departments. As a medical toxicologist, she also provides bedside assessment and management of both inpatients and outpatients with poisonings, overdoses, bites, stings, and other related problems.
Emergency Medicine - Medical Toxicology (cont.)

Binh T. Ly, MD
Medical Toxicologist
Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialty:
Emergency Medicine
Subspecialty:
Medical Toxicology

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Binh Ly, MD, is a board-certified medical toxicologist. He provides bedside assessment and management of both inpatients and outpatients with poisonings, overdoses, bites, stings, and other related problems.

Alicia Minns, MD

Specialty:
Emergency Medicine
Subspecialty:
Medical Toxicology

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Bio:
Alicia Minns, MD, is a board-certified medical toxicologist. She provides bedside assessment and management of both inpatients and outpatients with poisonings, overdoses, bites, stings, and other related problems.

Aaron Schneir, MD
Emergency Medicine Physician and Medical Toxicologist
Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialty:
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Subspecialty:
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Bio:
Aaron Schneir, MD, is a board-certified emergency medicine physician and medical toxicologist. He treats patients in the emergency department and urgent care, including those with life-threatening or critical conditions. His care may include evaluation, resuscitation, stabilization, and referring patients to appropriate medical departments. As a medical toxicologist, he also provides bedside assessment and management of both inpatients and outpatients with poisonings, overdoses, bites, stings, and related illnesses.
Christian A. Tomaszewski, MD

Specialty:
Emergency Medicine

Subspecialties:
Medical Toxicology, Hyperbaric Medicine & Wound Care

Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Bio:
Dr. Tomaszewski specializes in emergency medicine, medical toxicology and underwater medicine. He is chairman of the education committee for the American College of Emergency Physicians. He is also editor-in-chief of the Journal of Medical Toxicology.
Hospital Medicine

Hospital medicine is concerned with the medical care of acutely ill inpatients.

Vaishal Tolia, MD, MPH, FACEP
Medical Director, Emergency Department
Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine

Specialties:
Emergency Medicine, Hospital Medicine

Add'l Language:
Gujarati

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Bio:
Vaishal Tolia, MD, MPH, is a board-certified emergency medicine physician. He treats and cares for people in the emergency department and urgent care, including those with life-threatening or critical conditions. This care may include evaluation, resuscitation, stabilization and referring patients to appropriate specialty departments.
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.

Lawrence Ma, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

Subspecialty:
General Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
Mandarin

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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.

Lori Wan, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

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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.
Marriage and Family Therapy

Marriage and Family Therapy is a branch of psychotherapy that helps individuals, couples and families to nurture change and development. It provides diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional disorders, with a holistic perspective to care.

Chelsea T. Haakmeester, MA, LMFT
Marriage and Family Therapist

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Marriage and Family Therapy

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Bio:
Chelsea Haakmeester, MA, is a licensed marriage and family therapist (LMFT) who specializes in women’s health and reproductive mental health issues.

Kathleen Huff, MS, LMFT
Marriage and Family Therapist

Specialty:
Marriage and Family Therapy

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Bio:
Kathleen Huff, MS, is a licensed marriage and family therapist (LMFT) who provides therapy to women, infants, and their families during the prenatal and postpartum period. She specializes in treating perinatal mood disorders and working with individuals as they transition into parenthood. She also provides therapy for reproductive trauma, pregnancy loss and infertility.

Amber Rukaj, MA, LMFT
Marriage and Family Therapist

Specialty:
Marriage and Family Therapy

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Bio:
Amber Rukaj, MA, is a licensed marriage and family therapist (LMFT) who provides therapy to women, infants, and their families during the prenatal and postpartum period. She specializes in treating perinatal mood disorders and working with individuals as they transition into parenthood. She also provides therapy for reproductive trauma, pregnancy loss and infertility.
Obesity Medicine

Daphne (Yvette) LaCoursiere, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Obesity Medicine
Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

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Bio:
Yvette LaCoursiere, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology

Jorge L. Alvarado, MD, FACOG
Obstetrician/Gynecologist

**Specialty:**
Obstetrics & Gynecology

**Subspecialty:**
General Gynecology

**Add'l Language:**
Spanish

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**Bio:**
Jorge L. Alvarado, MD, is an obstetrician/gynecologist who provides prenatal, labor and delivery, and postpartum care as well as comprehensive gynecological care, including diagnosis and treatment of abnormal uterine bleeding, fibroids, sexually transmitted infections, and gynecologic cancer prevention. Dr. Alvarado specializes in minimally invasive gynecologic surgery, with an interest in dysplasia of the cervix, vagina, and vulva.

Sarah H. Averbach, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

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Obstetrics & Gynecology

**Subspecialty:**
General Gynecology

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**Bio:**
Sarah H. Averbach, MD, is an board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides comprehensive gynecological care and specializes in family planning. Her expertise includes surgical management of gynecologic conditions and reproductive infectious disease.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Christina Buenrostro, MSN, FNP-BC
Nurse Practitioner

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Bio:
Christina Buenrostro, MSN, is a board-certified family nurse practitioner (FNP-BC) who specializes in obstetrics and gynecology. She provides routine prenatal care, comprehensive gynecological care and family planning services for women of all ages. Common conditions she treats include vaginitis, pelvic pain and abnormal uterine bleeding. Ms. Buenrostro also provides well woman exams and breast exams.

Caroline Connor, MSN, WHNP-BC
Women’s Health Nurse Practitioner

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

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Bio:
Caroline Connor, MSN, is a board-certified women's health nurse practitioner (WHNP-BC). She provides routine prenatal care, comprehensive gynecological care and family planning services for women of all ages.

Pamela S. Deak, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

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Bio:
Pamela Deak, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, family planning, and treatment for gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Eliana Deutsch, MSN, WHNP-BC, ANP-C
Women's Health Nurse Practitioner

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

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Bio:
Eliana Deutsch, MS, RN, is a board-certified women’s health nurse practitioner (WHNP-BC) and adult nurse practitioner (ANP-C). She provides routine prenatal care, comprehensive gynecological care and family planning services for women of all ages. She has a special interest in caring for teens and adolescents.

Erin A. Gross, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

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Bio:
Erin Gross, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, family planning, and treatment for gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, gynecological infections or sexually transmitted diseases.
Jessica Kingston, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Associate Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

Additional Language:
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Jessica Kingston, MD, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding or gynecological infections. She specializes in diagnosing and treating uterine fibroids and has expertise in minimally invasive gynecologic surgery. She also helps coordinate care for maternal mental health conditions, including mood disorders and postpartum depression.

Sarah Lederhandler Kluck, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

Additional Language:
Spanish

Kearny Mesa - Convoy Street
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Kearny Mesa: (619) 543-7400
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Sarah Kluck, MD, is an OB/GYN who provides comprehensive women’s health care, including maternity, well woman and general gynecology care.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Daphne (Yvette) LaCoursiere, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Obesity Medicine

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
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Bio:
Yvette LaCoursiere, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.

Kathryn Macaulay, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

Encinitas - Garden View Road
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
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Bio:
Kathryn Macaulay, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections. Dr. Macaulay's expertise is in caring for perimenopausal and menopausal women. She treats common symptoms and conditions of menopause, such as hot flashes, night sweats, insomnia, mood changes, osteoporosis, and weight gain. She also has extensive experience in hormone replacement therapy.
Gillian Mackay, MBBS, FACOG
Obstetrician/Gynecologist

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

Add'l Language:
German

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Gillian Mackay, MBBS, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides labor and delivery care for both low and high-risk pregnancies, as well as minimally invasive gynecological surgery, adolescent gynecology and contraception and family planning. She also performs office procedures such as hysteroscopy.

Christine B. Miller, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

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Jacobs Medical Center

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Bio:
Christine B. Miller, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Sheila Mody, MD
Family Planning Specialist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty: General Gynecology

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Sheila Mody, MD, MPH is a family planning specialist with a focus in contraceptive counseling for women with complex medical conditions. Her interests include educating patients on the use of long-acting reversible contraception and early pregnancy management.

William H. Parker, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty: General Gynecology

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
William Parker, MD, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who specializes in the evaluation and treatment of women with uterine fibroids. He is an internationally known surgeon for myomectomy (removal of fibroids) using minimally-invasive (laparoscopic) surgery or through open abdominal incisions.

Kelly M. Phillips, MSN, WHNP-BC, IBCLC
Women's Health Nurse Practitioner

Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty: General Gynecology

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Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8745
Direct Clinic Line - Rancho Bernardo: (858) 605-4454

Bio:
Kelly Phillips, MSN, is a board-certified women's health nurse practitioner (WHNP-BC) and lactation consultant. She provides routine prenatal and postnatal care, well woman exams, comprehensive gynecological care and family planning services. She often sees individuals with gynecological conditions such as vaginitis, abnormal pap smears, pelvic pain, and pain during menstruation (dysmenorrhea).
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Jamie L. Resnik, MD  
Obstetrician/Gynecologist  
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences  
Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology  
Subspecialty: General Gynecology  
Add'l Language: Spanish  
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla  
Jacobs Medical Center  
Contact: New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745  
Bio: Jamie Resnik, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.

Maureen C. Ries, MD  
Obstetrician/Gynecologist  
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences  
Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology  
Subspecialty: General Gynecology  
Add'l Languages: Indonesian, Spanish, Swahili  
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla  
Encinitas - Garden View Road  
Jacobs Medical Center  
Contact: New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745  
Bio: Maureen Ries, MD, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides a wide spectrum of care for women, including prenatal and childbirth care. She provides well-woman care, including health care maintenance and contraception. In addition, she has interests in vulvar skin disorders and general gynecologic surgery.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Robert A. Semo, MD  
Gynecologist  
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences  

Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology  
Subspecialty: General Gynecology  

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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745  

Bio:  
Robert Semo, MD is a board-certified gynecologist who provides comprehensive care to women, including well woman care and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.

Shira Varon, MD  
Obstetrician/Gynecologist  
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences  

Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology  
Subspecialty: General Gynecology  
Add'l Language: Spanish  

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Jacobs Medical Center  
Contact:  
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745  

Bio:  
Shira Varon, MD, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides a wide spectrum of care for women, including prenatal and childbirth care. She also provides well-woman care, including health care maintenance and contraception.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Akilah Weber, MD
Obstetrician and Gynecologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

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Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla:: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Akilah Weber, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN who specializes in managing the gynecologic needs of children and teenagers. She has a special interest in treating children born with reproductive defects, people with adrenogenital disorders (which cause an abnormal secretion of hormones) and amenorrhea (the absence of menstruation in women of reproductive age).
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)

Thomas Moore, MD
Interim Chief Medical Officer
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)

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Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Encinitas - Garden View Court

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

Bio:
Thomas Moore, MD, is a board-certified maternal-fetal medicine specialist. He provides prenatal care for women with high-risk pregnancies, and is recognized nationally as an expert on pregnancy and diabetes. Dr. Moore has been ranked several times as one of the top obstetricians and gynecologists in the nation by U.S. News & World Report, as well as been named repeatedly as a "Top Doc" in San Diego Magazine's "Physicians of Exceptional Excellence" annual survey performed in collaboration with the San Diego County Medical Society. Most recently he received the Louis M. Hellman MD Midwifery Partnership Award from the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.
**Obstetrics & Gynecology - Midwifery**

**Amanda J Becerra, CNM, MSN**
Certified Nurse-Midwife

**Specialty:** Obstetrics & Gynecology  
**Subspecialty:** Midwifery  

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**Bio:**  
Amanda Becerra, CNM, MSN, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in the traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.

**Christine Cortes, CNM, MSN**
Certified Nurse-Midwife

**Specialty:** Obstetrics & Gynecology  
**Subspecialty:** Midwifery  

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Jacobs Medical Center  
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla  

**Contact:**  
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Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8745  

**Bio:**  
Christine Cortes, CNM, MSN, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in the traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.

**Anne Cooper, CNM, MSN**
Certified Nurse-Midwife

**Specialty:** Obstetrics & Gynecology  
**Subspecialty:** Midwifery  

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Encinitas - Garden View Road  
Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon  

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Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-7878  
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8745  

**Bio:**  
Anne Cooper, CNM, MSN, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in the traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Midwifery (cont.)

Janna Ekholm, CNM, MSN
Certified Nurse-Midwife

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
Midwifery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

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Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest:: (619) 543-7878
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla:: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Janna Ekholm, CNM, MSN, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in the traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.

Rebecca C. Garrett-Brown, CNM, MSN
Certified Nurse-Midwife

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
Midwifery

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Bio:
Rebecca C. Garrett-Brown, CNM, MSN, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in the traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.

Rachel Goodwin, CNM, MSN
Certified Nurse-Midwife

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
Midwifery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Encinitas - Garden View Road
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
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Bio:
Rachel Goodwin, MSN, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in our traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Midwifery (cont.)

Melissa Grear Mann, CNM, MPH
Certified Nurse-Midwife

**Specialty:** Obstetrics & Gynecology

**Subspecialty:** Midwifery

**Add'l Language:** Spanish

**Contact:**
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8745
- Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6790
- Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (858) 657-8745

**Bio:**
Melissa Mann, CNM, MPH, is a certified-nurse midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in a traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.

Hope Gunther, CNM, MSN
Certified Nurse-Midwife

**Specialty:** Obstetrics & Gynecology

**Subspecialty:** Midwifery

**Add'l Language:** Spanish

**Contact:**
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- Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8745
- Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6790
- Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (858) 657-8745

**Bio:**
Hope Gunther, CNM, MSN, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in the traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.

Jacqueline M. Henrich, CNM, MSN
Certified Nurse-Midwife

**Specialty:** Obstetrics & Gynecology

**Subspecialty:** Midwifery

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- Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6790
- Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (858) 657-8745

**Bio:**
Jacqueline Henrich, CNM, MSN, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. Her maternity patients can deliver in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in the traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on their desires and needs.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Midwifery (cont.)

Jennifer Hirsch, CNM, MS
Certified Nurse-Midwife

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
Midwifery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Bio:
Jennifer Hirsch, CNM, MS, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in the traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.

Karen Perdion, CNM, MSN
Director, Nurse Midwifery Service

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
Midwifery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Bio:
Karen Perdion, CNM, MSN, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in the traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.
Beth Timpe, CNM, MS
Certified Nurse-Midwife

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
Midwifery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Beth Timpe, CNM, MS, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in the traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.

Erica Vu Hill, CNM
Certified Nurse-Midwife

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
Midwifery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Bio:
Erica Vu Hill, CNM, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She can deliver babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in a traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.

Pamela Ward, CNM, MSN
Certified Nurse-Midwife

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
Midwifery

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Bio:
Pamela Ward, CNM, MSN, is a certified nurse-midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, along with well-woman care, family planning and other services. She delivers babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in the traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Midwifery (cont.)

Vanessa Wright, CNM, WHNP-BC, MSN
Certified Nurse-Midwife

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
Midwifery

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon
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Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8745
Direct Clinic Line - Rancho Bernardo: (858) 605-4454

Bio:
Vanessa Wright, CNM, WHNP-BC, MSN, is a certified-nurse midwife who provides family-centered maternity care, family planning and well-woman care. She can deliver babies in our holistic, in-hospital birth center or in a traditional labor and delivery environment, depending on the desires and needs of her patients.
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](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health.

**Shannon Leung, MD, MPH**
Pediatrician

Specialties:
- Pediatrics, Primary Care

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

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

Bio:
Shannon Leung, MD, MPH, is board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children, adolescents, and young adults up to age 21.

**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:
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9250
- 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.
Eyla Boies, MD
Pediatrician
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care

Subspecialty:
General Pediatrics

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

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 203-4962

Bio:
Eyla Boies, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and adolescents through all of their developmental stages. Her expertise includes providing lactation consultation, assisting mothers who are experiencing difficulties breastfeeding their newborns.

Lawrence Ma, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

Subspecialty:
General Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
Mandarin

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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](https://health.ucsd.edu), 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.
Vanessa P. Scott, MD
Pediatrician
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialty:
General Pediatrics

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Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

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

Bio:
Vanessa Scott, MD, MS, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and young adults up to age 21. She is especially interested in helping with breastfeeding support, nutrition, preventive care and parenting techniques.

O. Douglas Wilson, MD
Pediatrician
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialty:
General Pediatrics

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Bio:
O. Douglas Wilson, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and young adults up to age 21. He has experience in child development, pediatric cardiology, and pediatric dermatology.

Helen C. Wang, MD
Pediatrician

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialty:
General Pediatrics
Add'l Language:
Mandarin

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Bio:
Helen Wang, MD, is a pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and young adults up to age 21. Her expertise includes working with overweight children to help them and their families develop good lifestyle choices, including following a healthy diet and being physically active.
Pediatrics - Newborn Hospital Care

Pediatric hospitalists care for newborns in the hospital setting only. They may provide care ranging from normal newborn care to emergent stabilization and resuscitation, if necessary. Pediatric Hospitalists also provide parents with advice and guidance about lactation and any other questions they may have regarding their newborn. Learn more about Newborn Care at UC San Diego Health.

Michelle L. Leff, MD
Newborn Hospitalist and Pediatrician
Associate Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialty:
Newborn Hospital Care
Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Contact:
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla Pediatrics: (858) 203-4962

Bio:
Michelle L. Leff, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who specializes in the care of newborns. She also provides primary care for infants, children, and adolescents through all of their life stages. As a newborn hospitalist, Dr. Leff meets with parents and their babies during their postpartum stay in the hospital, providing daily care to infants. This care includes newborn examinations, screening tests and breastfeeding help, including frenotomies.
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.

Eyla Boies, MD
Pediatrician
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialty:
General Pediatrics

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Bio:
Eyla Boies, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and adolescents through all of their developmental stages. Her expertise includes providing lactation consultation, assisting mothers who are experiencing difficulties breastfeeding their newborns.

Michelle L. Leff, MD
Newborn Hospitalist and Pediatrician
Associate Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialty:
Newborn Hospital Care
Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Contact:
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla Pediatrics: (858) 203-4962

Bio:
Michelle L. Leff, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who specializes in the care of newborns. She also provides primary care for infants, children, and adolescents through all of their life stages. As a newborn hospitalist, Dr. Leff meets with parents and their babies during their postpartum stay in the hospital, providing daily care to infants. This care includes newborn examinations, screening tests and breastfeeding help, including frenotomies.

Dudley (Doug) Elmore, MSN, FNP-BC
Family Nurse Practitioner

Specialty:
Primary Care

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon
Encinitas - Encinitas Blvd

Contact:
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Express Care: (760) 452-7967
Direct Clinic Line - Urgent Care, La Jolla: (858) 249-6800

Bio:
Doug Elmore, MSN, is a board-certified family nurse practitioner (FNP-BC) who provides comprehensive care for people of all ages. He offers treatment for a wide range of conditions and also works with individuals over the long term to maintain their health and wellness, with a focus on preventive care.
Primary Care (cont.)

Desiree Leithem, MS, CNS, FNP-C
Family Nurse Practitioner

**Specialty:**
Primary Care

**Encinitas - Encinitas Blvd**
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center
Downtown - West F Street
Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Express Care: (833) 823-9777
Direct Clinic Line - Urgent Care, La Jolla: (858) 249-6800
Emergency Department - La Jolla: (858) 657-7600
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (760) 452-7967

**Bio:**
Desiree Leithem, MS, is a clinical nurse specialist (CNS) and certified family nurse practitioner (FNP-C) who provides comprehensive care for people of all ages. Her focus is preventive care for individuals in health and wellness. She has over two decades of experience in emergency medicine and serves as the nurse practitioner manager for the Emergency Departments at UC San Diego Health.

Lawrence Ma, MD
Primary Care Physician

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

**Subspecialty:**
General Pediatrics

**Add'l Language:**
Mandarin

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

**Contact:**
Registration and Scheduling: (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:**
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 pediatric 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.

Shannon Leung, MD, MPH
Pediatrician

**Specialties:**
Pediatrics, Primary Care

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

**Contact:**
Direct Clinic Line - Kearny Mesa: (858) 496-4800
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 203-4962

**Bio:**
Shannon Leung, MD, MPH, is board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children, adolescents, and young adults up to age 21.
Primary Care (cont.)

Amanda Nasser, MS, FNP-BC
Family Nurse Practitioner

**Specialty:**
Primary Care

**La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla**
Jacobs Medical Center

**Contact:**
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Urgent Care, La Jolla: (858) 249-6800
Emergency Department - La Jolla: (858) 657-7600

**Bio:**
Amanda Nasser, MS, is a board-certified family nurse practitioner (FNP-BC) who cares for people of all ages in urgent care with health issues including vomiting, dehydration, strains and sprains, fever and flu, infections and skin rashes, accidents and falls, cuts that require stitches, and minor trauma. She also treats patients in the emergency department including those with life-threatening or critical conditions.

Andrea Dangerfield Osorio, MS, FNP-BC
Family Nurse Practitioner

**Specialty:**
Primary Care

**La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla**

**Contact:**
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Urgent Care, La Jolla: (858) 249-6800
Emergency Department - La Jolla: (858) 657-7600

**Bio:**
Andrea Dangerfield Osorio, MS, is a board-certified family nurse practitioner (FNP-BC) who provides comprehensive care for people across all ages. She offers treatment for a wide range of conditions and also works with individuals over the long term to maintain their health and wellness, with a focus on preventative care.

Vanessa P. Scott, MD
Pediatrician
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics

**Specialties:**
Pediatrics, Primary Care

**Subspecialty:**
General Pediatrics

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

**Contact:**
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 203-4962
Direct Clinic Line - Kearny Mesa: (858) 496-4800

**Bio:**
Vanessa Scott, MD, MS, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and young adults up to age 21. She is especially interested in helping with breastfeeding support, nutrition, preventive care and parenting techniques.

Lori Wan, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

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

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

Helen C. Wang, MD
Pediatrician

Specialties:
- Pediatrics, Primary Care

Subspecialty:
- General Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
- Mandarin

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

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

Bio:
Helen Wang, MD, is a pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and young adults up to age 21. Her expertise includes working with overweight children to help them and their families develop good lifestyle choices, including following a healthy diet and being physically active.

Valerie L. Waters, MS, FNP-C
Family Nurse Practitioner

Specialty:
- Primary Care

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
- Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
- Emergency Department - La Jolla: (858) 657-7600
- Direct Clinic Line - Urgent Care, La Jolla: (858) 249-6800

Bio:
Valerie Waters, MS, is a certified family nurse practitioner (FNP-C) who cares for people of all ages in urgent care with health issues including vomiting, dehydration, strains and sprains, fever and flu, infections and skin rashes, accidents and falls, cuts that require stitches, and minor trauma. She also treats patients in the emergency department including those with life-threatening or critical conditions.

O. Douglas Wilson, MD
Pediatrician
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
- Pediatrics, Primary Care

Subspecialty:
- General Pediatrics

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

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

Bio:
O. Douglas Wilson, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and young adults up to age 21. He has experience in child development, pediatric cardiology, and pediatric dermatology.
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.

Nora Bammidi, MBBS, FAPA
Psychiatrist

Specialty:
Psychiatry

Add'l Language:
Telugu

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Nora Bammidi, MBBS, FAPA, is a board-certified psychiatrist who treats general mental health issues in adults, including depression, anxiety disorders, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), schizophrenia, insomnia and bipolar disorders. She provides medication management and psychotherapy to help treat these mental health conditions.

Anne Bird, MBChB
Psychiatrist

Associate Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Anne Bird, MBChB, is a board-certified adult, child and adolescent psychiatrist who specializes in treating children, teens and young adults with mood disorders, anxiety disorders or attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). She uses both medications and talk therapy (psychotherapy) in her practice.

Ashley Clark, MD
Psychiatrist

Associate Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive
Hillcrest - 140 Arbor Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Ashley Clark, MD, is board-certified psychiatrist whose practice focuses on women’s reproductive mental health issues, such as premenstrual dysphoric disorder (PMDD), and mood and anxiety disorders during pregnancy and the postpartum period. She is part of the Women's Reproductive Mental Health Program at UC San Diego Health.

Douglas D'Agati, MD
Psychiatrist

Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Douglas D'Agati, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist who specializes in treating adults and young adults with mood disorders (such as depression and bipolar disorder), anxiety disorders, psychosis, and schizophrenia.
Psychiatry (cont.)

Nancy Downs, MD
Psychiatrist
Professor of Psychiatry

**Specialty:**
Psychiatry

**La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

**Bio:**
Nancy Downs, MD is a board-certified psychiatrist who specializes in the mental health needs of college students and transition age youth.

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Jonathon R. Howlett, MD
Psychiatrist

**Specialty:**
Psychiatry

**La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

**Bio:**
Jonathon Howlett, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist who specializes in caring for individuals with treatment-resistant depression. His practice also includes treating more general mental health conditions such depressive disorders, anxiety disorders, bipolar disorder and schizophrenia.

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David Folsom, MD
Director, Division of Clinical Psychiatry
Vice Chair, Clinical Affairs, Department of Psychiatry

**Specialty:**
Psychiatry

**La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive**

**Contact:**
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

**Bio:**
David Folsom, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist and director of the Division of Clinical Psychiatry at UC San Diego Health. He has a special interest in providing care for people with schizophrenia and other serious mental illnesses, and those with both mental and physical health problems. He uses a comprehensive, whole-person approach to psychiatric care, addressing all areas that contribute to a person’s successful recovery as well as promoting life skills, providing education, and cultivating help-seeking behavior.

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Ildiko Kovacs, MD
Psychiatrist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

**Add’l Language:**
Hungarian

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**

**La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

**Bio:**
Ildiko Kovacs, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist who specializes in caring for individuals and couples experiencing issues related to sexual function, sexuality and gender.
Carla Marienfeld, MD
Psychiatrist
Associate Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-1680

Bio:
Carla Marienfeld, MD, is a board-certified addiction psychiatrist who specializes in treating individuals with substance use disorders and co-occurring mental health conditions, such as anxiety and depression. She supports recovery in a harm-reduction approach that uses therapy, motivational interviewing, and medication-assisted treatment.

Alison Reminick, MD
Psychiatrist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Alison Reminick, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist who specializes in the mental health care needs for women with premenstrual syndrome (PMS), premenstrual dysphoric disorder (PMDD), pregnancy and postpartum mood disorders, and emotional disturbances during menopause. She directs the Women's Reproductive Mental Health Program at UC San Diego Health, which helps women manage and recover from anxiety, depression, or other emotional concerns during infertility, pregnancy, or the postpartum period.

Alejandro Meruelo, MD, PhD
Psychiatrist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Alejandro Meruelo, MD, PhD, is a board-certified psychiatrist who delivers compassionate, expert care to people with bipolar disorder, depression, schizophrenia and anxiety disorders. He also cares for individuals with treatment-resistant depression using transcranial magnetic stimulation.

Neil M. Richtand, MD, PhD
Psychiatrist

Specialty:
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Neil M. Richtand, MD, PhD, is a board-certified psychiatrist who provides expert, compassionate mental health care services to UC San Diego undergraduate and graduate students.
Psychiatry (cont.)

Jennifer Roby, DO
Psychiatrist
Assistant Professor Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Jennifer Roby, DO, is a psychiatrist who provides general mental health care services for adults. She provides care to undergraduate, graduate, and medical students through UC San Diego Health's [College Mental Health Program](#). She also helps women with postpartum depression, postpartum anxiety and other [reproductive-related mental health concerns](#) that affect women and their families.

Sanjaya Saxena, MD
Psychiatrist
Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Sanjaya Saxena, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist focusing on the treatment of people with obsessive-compulsive disorders (OCD) and related conditions such as compulsive hoarding and body dysmorphic disorder.

Murray B. Stein, MD, MPH
Psychiatrist
Distinguished Professor of Psychiatry and Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialty:
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Murray B. Stein, MD, MPH, is a board-certified psychiatrist who treats individuals with anxiety, and trauma and stressor-related disorders, including panic disorder, agoraphobia, social anxiety disorder (social phobia), generalized anxiety disorder, and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) with or without depression.

Jon (David) Stiffler, MD
Psychiatrist

Specialty:
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
David Stiffler, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist who treats people with substance use disorders, trauma and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), mood disorders, anxiety and [attention deficit hyperactivity disorder](#) (ADHD).
Psychiatry (cont.)

Hannah C. Sweet, MD
Psychiatrist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

**Specialty:**
Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

**Bio:**
Hannah Sweet, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist who specializes in treating children and adolescents with all types of mental illness and psychiatric conditions. Her practice is part of UC San Diego Health’s comprehensive and compassionate mental health services for teens.

Psychiatry - Geriatric Psychiatry

Steven F. Huege, MD
Psychiatrist

**Specialty:**
Psychiatry

**Subspecialty:**
Geriatric Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

**Bio:**
Steven Huege, MD, is a board-certified geriatric psychiatrist who specializes in treating mental health and neurodegenerative disorders in older adults, including both chronic and new-onset mental illness. His areas of clinical expertise include Alzheimer’s disease, Lewy body dementia, frontotemporal dementia, and mood and psychotic disorders in older adults.

Kalya Vardi, MD
Psychiatrist
Medical Director, Senior Behavioral Health Intensive Outpatient Program

**Specialty:**
Psychiatry

**Subspecialty:**
Geriatric Psychiatry

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive
Hillcrest - 410 Dickinson Street
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

**Bio:**
Kalya Vardi, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist who specializes in treating mental health problems in older adults, including depression, anxiety disorders, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, and the psychiatric or behavioral complications of dementia, such as Alzheimer’s disease.
Psychology

Natacha Akshoomoff, PhD
Neuropsychologist
Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 534-1213

Bio:
Natacha Akshoomoff, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who specializes in pediatric neuropsychology. She has extensive expertise and experience in the diagnosis and assessment of neurodevelopmental disorders, such as autism spectrum disorder, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, and learning disorders (reading, math, writing). She conducts assessments with children, teens, and college students. She also works with children who are at risk of having learning and behavioral challenges, including children born preterm and children with medical and neurological conditions.

Tracy Alderman, PhD
Psychologist

Specialty:
Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Tracy Alderman, PhD is a licensed clinical psychologist. She has decades of experience in the treatment of self-injury, trauma, substance abuse, anxiety, ADHD, depression, and crisis management.

Katherine J. Bangen, PhD
Psychologist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Katherine Bangen, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who treats older adults with neurological and psychiatric disorders. Her expertise is in conducting clinical neuropsychological evaluations that can help identify root causes of neurological or cognitive problems. Dr. Bangen is part of the Memory, Aging and Resilience Clinic (MARC), a multi-disciplinary team providing comprehensive cognitive, emotional and physical health evaluations of older adults.

Christopher R. Booth, PsyD
Psychologist

Specialty:
Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Christopher Booth, PsyD, is a licensed psychologist who sees people with obsessive compulsive disorders (OCD) and OCD-related disorders, including hoarding disorder, body dysmorphic disorder, hair pulling, skin picking and tic disorders. He is also part of UC San Diego Health’s comprehensive and compassionate mental health services for children and teenagers.
Psychology (cont.)

Lisa Delano-Wood, PhD
Psychologist
Associate Professor

Specialty:
Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Lisa Delano-Wood, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who directs UC San Diego Health's Memory, Aging and Resilience Clinic (MARC). The clinic provides comprehensive cognitive, emotional and physical health evaluation of older adults. She conducts clinical neuropsychological evaluations of individuals with a wide range of neurological and psychiatric disorders.

Maya S. D’Eon, PhD
Psychologist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Maya D’Eon, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who helps individuals with mood disorders (such as depression and anxiety), chronic pain and chronic medical conditions that can impact mental health.

Emily C. Edmonds, PhD
Neuropsychologist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Emily C. Edmonds, PhD, is a licensed clinical neuropsychologist who specializes in assessing older adults with neurological and psychiatric disorders, particularly Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia.

Jamie M. Gannon, PhD
Psychologist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Jamie Gannon PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who treats college students and adults with a variety of mental health issues, such as depression, anxiety and substance use disorders (addiction).
Psychology (cont.)

Meghan Hammel, PhD
Psychologist

Specialty: Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Meghan Hammel, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who provides therapy to women struggling with perinatal depression and anxiety disorders before and after childbirth.

Katia M. Harlé, PhD
Psychologist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty: Psychology
Add'l Language: French

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Katia Harlé, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who treats adults with substance use disorders, depression and anxiety. She specializes in cognitive behavioral therapy and neuropsychological assessments to evaluate a broad range of cognitive and behavioral issues resulting from brain dysfunction.

Jessica A. Hughes, PhD
Psychologist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty: Psychology
Add'l Language: Spanish

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Jessica Hughes, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who specializes in couples, individual and group therapy. Her practice emphasizes evidence-based treatments, including integrative behavioral couples therapy (IBCT) and emotion focused therapy (EFT). She also conducts psychological assessments.

Patricia A. Judd, PhD
Director, Addiction Treatment and Recovery
Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty: Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Patricia A. Judd, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who specializes in evaluating and assessing mental health conditions. She focuses on individual and couples therapy for those struggling with substance use and other mental health disorders. She also works with individuals and couples with personality disorders.
Psychology (cont.)

Eve Lasswell, PsyD
Psychologist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Eve Lasswell, PsyD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who treats adults with substance use and co-occurring disorders. Dr. Lasswell is part of UC San Diego Health's Addiction Recovery and Treatment Services, which uses a harm-reduction approach to provide care for all stages of recovery from substance use disorders. She treats patients with co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders in the Intensive Outpatient Program. Throughout the treatment process, she helps adults recover from addiction by encouraging behaviors that build wellness and emotional resilience.

Yuliana Noniyeva, PhD
Psychologist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychology

Add'l Languages:
Russian, Spanish

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Yuliana Noniyeva, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who treats a range of mental health disorders, including anxiety, depression and attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). She is part of the college mental health program, which addresses the unique mental health and psychiatric issues of college students in our San Diego community.

Jessie S. Park, PsyD
Psychologist

Specialty:
Psychology

Add'l Language:
Korean

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive
Hillcrest - 140 Arbor Drive
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Jessie Park, PsyD, is a licensed clinical psychologist who specializes in treating adults with co-occurring medical and psychiatric conditions, such as chronic pain and obesity. Dr. Park is the lead psychologist at UC San Diego Health's Center for Pain Medicine, its Bariatric and Metabolic Institute and its psychiatry intensive outpatient program for chronic pain. She also conducts psychoeducational evaluations for students and fitness for duty evaluations for physicians at UC San Diego, and has experience with cancer-related pain.
Psychology (cont.)

Wendy G. Tayer, PhD
Psychologist
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Specialty:
Psychology

La Jolla - 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7792

Bio:
Wendy Tayer, PhD, is a licensed psychologist who helps people cope more effectively with mental health problems, including life stressors and adaptational challenges. As a trained health psychologist, Dr. Tayer’s expertise involves helping people make behavioral choices that promote better health and prevent illness. She specializes in treating chronic illness and pain, anxiety and depression.