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Colon and Rectal Surgery

Colon and Rectal surgery is the medical specialty dealing with surgeries for disorders of the rectum, anus, and colon. Learn more about [colon and rectal surgery](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health.

**Benjamin Abbadessa, MD, FACS**
Colorectal Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery

**Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center**
**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6277

**Bio:**
Benjamin Abbadessa, MD, is a board-certified colorectal surgeon who treats colon cancer, anal cancer, colon polyps, diverticulitis, Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, anal fistula, anal fissure, hemorrhoids, anal abscess, fecal incontinence, rectal prolapse, anal dysplasia and anal skin tags.

**Bard Cosman, MD, FACS, FASCRS**
Surgeon
Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Surgery, Cancer, HIV/AIDS

**Subspecialty:**
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

**Add'l Language:**
French

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**

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

**Bio:**
Bard Cosman, MD, FACS, FASCRS, is a board-certified colon and rectal surgeon who specializes in anorectal surgery. He is an expert in treating chronic inflammatory lesions such as anal fistula, pilonidal sinus, and hidradenitis suppurativa. He also has a special interest in anal dysplasia and cancer, including HIV-related cases.
Colon and Rectal Surgery (cont.)

Samuel Eisenstein, MD
Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Gastrointestinal Cancers

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices:: (858) 822-6277
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas:: (760) 536-7300

Bio:
Samuel Eisenstein, MD, is a colon and rectal surgeon specializing in the treatment of colon and rectal cancer and other intestinal disorders including Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis. He is an expert in the surgical treatment of anorectal disorders such as hemorrhoids, fistulas and fissures. Dr. Eisenstein is also experienced with therapies for fecal incontinence and was the first colon and rectal surgeon in San Diego County to implant sacral nerve stimulators for this condition.

Nicole Lopez, MD
Surgeon

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Surgical Oncology

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices:: (858) 822-6277

Bio:
Nicole Lopez, MD, is a board-certified surgeon. She specializes in surgical oncology and colorectal surgery, and has a particular interest in caring for patients with advanced, recurrent, and metastatic colorectal cancers. She has expertise in treating hereditary syndromes, diverticulitis, pelvic floor diseases, inflammatory bowel disease, and anorectal diseases. She is skilled in laparoscopy and robotic surgery.

Lisa A. Parry, MD
Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices:: (858) 822-6277
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas:: (760) 536-7300

Bio:
Lisa Parry, MD, is a board-certified colon and rectal surgeon, specializing in the treatment of colorectal cancers and other intestinal disorders, including Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis and diverticulitis.
Colon and Rectal Surgery (cont.)

**Sonia Ramamoorthy, MD**
Chief, Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery
Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Cancer, Surgery

**Subspecialties:**
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Minimally Invasive Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices: (858) 822-6277

**Bio:**
Sonia Ramamoorthy, MD, is a board-certified colon and rectal surgeon. She specializes in treating colorectal and anal cancer, inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) and diverticulitis. She also leads the colorectal cancer team at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health.
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

Joel Castellanos, MD
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Specialist
Associate Professor of Anesthesiology

Specialty:
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (858) 657-8200
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 249-3800

Bio:
Joel Castellanos MD, is a board-certified physical medicine and rehabilitation and pain medicine physician, and serves as medical director of Inpatient Rehabilitation. Dr. Castellanos’ prime focus is improving function using an individualized approach. His expertise with interventional pain techniques allows for an integrative strategy to preserve and restore function. Dr. Castellanos evaluates, diagnoses and treats all forms of functional disability and pain using a multi-disciplinary team-based approach.

Douglas Chang, MD, PhD
Chief of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Service
Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

Specialties:
Orthopedics, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Sports Medicine
Subspecialties:
Spine, Sports Medicine
Add'l Language:
German

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (844) 377-7678

Bio:
Douglas Chang, MD, PhD, is a board-certified physical medicine and rehabilitation physician who specializes in the non-surgical treatment of back/neck pain and other musculoskeletal injuries.

Jeffrey Chen, MD, MHS
Pain Management Specialist
Associate Professor of Anesthesiology

Specialties:
Pain Management, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-3800

Bio:
Jeffrey L. Chen, MD, MHS, MS, is a board-certified physical medicine and rehabilitation and pain management physician. As a pain management specialist, Dr. Chen evaluates, diagnoses and treats all forms of acute and chronic pain. His expertise includes conservative treatment of low back and neck pain, non-surgical orthopedic conditions and sports injuries. He is the director of Regenerative Pain Medicine and the associate program director for the Pain Medicine Fellowship at UC San Diego School of Medicine.
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation (cont.)

Amelia Eastman, DO
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Specialist
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Pain Management, Sports Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue
La Jolla - 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6035
Direct Clinic Line: (844) 747-0474

Bio:
Amelia Eastman, DO, is a board-certified physical medicine and rehabilitation physician who meets with patients at different types of UC San Diego Health clinics to help with pain issues and rehabilitation. She uses a hands-on approach to diagnose injury and illness and encourage the body's natural tendency for good health.

Haewon Lee, MD
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Specialist
Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

Specialties:
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Orthopedics
Subspecialty:
Spine
Add'l Language:
Korean

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Encinitas - Garden View Road

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

Bio:
Haewon Lee, MD, is a board-certified physical medicine and rehabilitation physician who specializes in treating spine disorders, and nonsurgical treatment for neck and back pain. Her practice focuses on helping people return to the activities they enjoy and improving their quality of life. She has a special interest in treating patients with cancer-related impairments.

Roger J. Mignosa, DO
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Specialist

Specialties:
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Osteopathic Medicine, Family Medicine

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue
Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8600
Direct Clinic Line - Scripps Ranch: (858) 657-7750

Bio:
Roger Mignosa, DO, is a board-certified physical medicine and rehabilitation physician and an exercise physiologist. Physical medicine and rehabilitation specialists help restore function in individuals who have impaired physical activity as a result of illness or injury.
Kenneth Vitale, MD
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Specialist
Associate Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

**Specialties:**
Orthopedics, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Sports Medicine

**Subspeciality:**
Sports Medicine

**Add'l Language:**
Japanese

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

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

**Bio:**
Kenneth Vitale, MD, is a board-certified physical medicine and rehabilitation physician who specializes in sports medicine and sports nutrition. As a physical medicine and rehabilitation physician (also known as a physiatrist), Dr. Vitale's expertise is in guiding individuals with orthopedic conditions through a variety of nonsurgical treatment options.
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