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Endocrinology
Endocrinology is the medical specialty focused on diseases of the endocrine system, including diabetes, thyroid and pituitary disorders. Learn more about endocrinology and diabetes at UC San Diego Health.

Schafer Boeder, MD
Endocrinologist
Specialty:
Endocrinology

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Jacobs Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6303

Bio:
Schafer Boeder, MD, is a board-certified endocrinologist who diagnoses and treats people with a variety of endocrine conditions. He has a particular interest in diabetes and is a member of the inpatient glycemic control team, where he works with patients to monitor glucose levels, adjust insulin dosages, and maintain long-term glucose control at home.

Steven Victor Edelman, MD
Clinical Professor of Medicine
Specialty:
Endocrinology
Add'l Languages:
German, Spanish

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-1636

Bio:
Please note that Dr. Edelman is not a Primary Care Physician

Charles H. Choe, MD
Clinical Service Chief - Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism
Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine
Specialty:
Endocrinology

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6303
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8440

Bio:
Charlie Choe, MD, is a board certified endocrinologist. He also holds an active Endocrine Certification in Neck Ultrasound from the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists for performing ultrasound and ultrasound-guided biopsies for patients with thyroid nodules and cancer.

Vala Hamidi, MD
Endocrinologist
Specialty:
Endocrinology
Add'l Language:
Farsi

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6303
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8440

Bio:
Vala Hamidi, MD, is a board-certified endocrinologist who treats people with diabetes, disorders of calcium and skeletal metabolism, osteoporosis, pituitary and adrenal disease, thyroid cancer and thyroid disorders. She also provides care in general endocrinology.
Heather L. Hofflich, DO
Endocrinologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Endocrinology, Internal Medicine, Primary Care

La Jolla - 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8000
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-1636

Bio:
Heather L. Hofflich, DO, is a board-certified endocrinologist and internist. She provides endocrinology and primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. Dr. Hofflich is consistently named a “Top Doc” in San Diego Magazine’s “Physicians of Exceptional Excellence” annual survey performed in collaboration with the San Diego County Medical Society.

Patricia S. Juang, MD
Endocrinologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Endocrinology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-1636

Bio:
Patricia Juang, MD, is an endocrinologist who sees patients with a variety of endocrine conditions. She has a particular interest in the care of diabetic patients in the inpatient hospital setting.

Christopher J. Hupfeld, MD
Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Endocrinology

Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (760) 479-5370

Bio:
Deborah Kado, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor who specializes in caring for people with osteoporosis and metabolic bone disease. She directs the osteoporosis program at UC San Diego Health and sees patients in the Endocrinology outpatient clinic in La Jolla.

Deborah Kado, MD
Bone Health Specialist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Endocrinology

Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-1636

Bio:
Deborah Kado, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor who specializes in caring for people with osteoporosis and metabolic bone disease. She directs the osteoporosis program at UC San Diego Health and sees patients in the Endocrinology outpatient clinic in La Jolla.
Endocrinology (cont.)

Kristen Kulasa, MD
Endocrinologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Endocrinology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-1636

Bio:
Kristen Kulasa, MD, is a board-certified endocrinologist who specializes in diabetes. Dr. Kulasa serves as director of inpatient glycemic control - working to ensure that people who are in the hospital have optimal blood sugar levels during their stay. She oversees the clinical diabetes nurse educators on staff.

Karen McCowen, MD
Endocrinologist

Specialty:
Endocrinology

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-1636

Bio:
Karen McCowen, MD, is a board-certified endocrinologist. She has a special interest in the management of diabetes in pregnancy, technologies for managing type 1 diabetes, thyroid biopsy and thyroid cancer, and pituitary and adrenal diseases.

Mizuho Mimoto, MD, PhD
Endocrinologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Endocrinology

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8440

Bio:
Mizuho Mimoto, MD, PhD, is a board-certified endocrinologist who treats people with diabetes, thyroid disease, osteoporosis and disorders related to the pituitary, adrenal and parathyroid glands.

Jeremy Pettus, MD
Endocrinologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Endocrinology

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-1636

Bio:
Jeremy Pettus, MD, is a board-certified endocrinologist who specializes in treating diabetes. He works with individuals who have type 1 or type 2 diabetes to develop personalized treatment plans which may include healthy eating, exercise, diabetes medication or insulin therapy and blood sugar monitoring.
Tricia Santos Cavaiola, MD
Endocrinologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Endocrinology

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-1636

**Bio:**
Tricia Santos Cavaiola, MD, is a board-certified endocrinologist. She specializes in treating patients with many types of endocrine disorders, including diabetes and thyroid, parathyroid, adrenal and pituitary diseases.

Gina N. Woods, MD
Endocrinologist and Bone Health Specialist
Associate Professor of Endocrinology and Metabolism

**Specialty:**
Endocrinology

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-1636

**Bio:**
Gina Woods, MD, is a board-certified endocrinologist who treats people with osteoporosis and other metabolic bone diseases. She works with individuals to preserve bone health, prevent fractures, and manage osteoporosis care with treatments that may include diet modification, exercise and medication.
Infertility

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

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**Sanjay Agarwal, MD, FACOG**  
Director of Fertility Services  
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

**Specialties:** Obstetrics & Gynecology, Infertility  
**Subspecialty:** Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility  
**Add'l Language:** Hindi

**La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue**  
**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

**Bio:**  
Dr. Agarwal is Clinical Professor and Director of Fertility Services in the UC San Diego Department of Reproductive Medicine. He is also Director of the innovative UC San Diego Center for Endometriosis Research and Treatment (CERT, www.cert.ucsd.edu).

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**R. Jeffrey Chang, MD**  
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

**Specialties:** Obstetrics & Gynecology, Infertility  
**Subspecialty:** Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility

**La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue**  
**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

**Bio:**  
Dr. Chang has had a long-standing clinical and research interest in Polycystic Ovary Syndrome. He is widely published, and has achieved significant recognition for his research accomplishments. He is a reviewer for many medical journals and has written several books. His past involvement with the National Institutes of Health (NIH) included serving on the reproductive biology study section and two years as the administrative chair for NIH physiological sciences review section.
Infertility (cont.)

Antoni Duleba, MD
Chief, Division of Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Infertility
Subspecialty:
Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility
La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

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

Bio:
Antoni Duleba, MD, is a board-certified reproductive endocrinologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating infertility and regulating ovarian function. His primary research focuses on polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) and endometriosis.

T. Mike Hsieh, MD
Urologist
Director, Men's Health Center
Associate Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Infertility, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Male Infertility
Add'l Languages:
Mandarin, Taiwanese
La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7876

Bio:
T. Mike Hsieh, MD, is a board-certified urologist specializing in male fertility and men's health. He treats men with sexual dysfunction including low testosterone, erectile dysfunction, and Peyronie's disease. He also treats male infertility including men with ejaculatory disorder, hormone imbalance, sperm production impairment, cancer, and genetic causes of infertility.
Infertility (cont.)

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

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Infertility
Subspecialty:
Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility
Add'l Language:
Chinese

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue
Moores Cancer Center

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

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