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Audiology

Audiology is concerned with hearing, balance and related disorders. Audiologists specialize in treating individuals with hearing loss and proactively preventing related damage. Learn more about [audiology](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health.

**Meghann Greear, AuD, CCC-A**  
Audiologist  

**Specialty:**  
Audiology  

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

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8590  
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-5683  

**Bio:**  
Meghann (Kyle) Greear, AuD, is a certified audiologist who provides audiologic (hearing) testing and treatment to patients over the age of 5 and vestibular (balance) testing for adults. She has a special interest in cochlear implants, auditory brainstem implants, osseointegrated hearing implants, hearing aids and assistive listening devices. She treats and diagnoses hearing and balance disorders using advanced technologies.

**Meghan K. Spriggs, AuD, CCC-A**  
Audiologist  

**Specialty:**  
Audiology  

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**  

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8590  

**Bio:**  
Meghan K. Spriggs, AuD, is a certified audiologist who cares for adults with hearing loss and ear disorders, including sensorineural, mixed and conductive hearing loss, tinnitus, hearing loss with age (presbycusis), otosclerosis, noise-induced hearing loss, and congenital and acquired hearing loss. Her primary area of interest and expertise is in implantable hearing technologies, including cochlear implantation and osseointegrated hearing implants. Additionally, she sees patients for audiometric evaluation, tympanometry, otoacoustic emissions, speech perception assessment, hearing aid evaluation and fitting, and aural rehabilitation and counseling regarding communication strategies and use of hearing assistive technology.
Audiology (cont.)

Joyce Tsang, AuD, CCC-A  
Audiologist

**Specialty:**
Audiology

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

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Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8590

**Bio:**
Joyce Tsang, AuD, is a certified audiologist who cares for adults with hearing loss and balance (vestibular) disorders. She evaluates and treats sensorineural hearing loss (hearing loss that results from damage to the inner ear or the pathways from the inner ear to the brain), conductive hearing loss (when sound cannot be conducted through the outer and middle ear), and mixed hearing loss, a combination of both types.

Deborah (Debbie) Wian, MA, CCC-A  
Audiologist

**Specialty:**
Audiology

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8590

**Bio:**
Deborah Wian, MA, is a certified audiologist who treats a variety of hearing losses, mostly in the adult population. She provides behavioral diagnostics for hearing loss and has expertise in fitting assistive listening devices, including hearing aids, FM systems, and Bluetooth-enabled devices. Debbie also performs fittings and orientations of audiology implantable hearing devices such as the Baha and Ponto osseointegrated temporal bone implant systems.

Erika M. Zettner, PhD  
Audiologist

**Specialty:**
Audiology

**Add'l Language:**
German

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**

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**Bio:**
Erika Zettner, PhD, is a certified audiologist (CCC-A) who specializes in hearing assessments, hearing aid fitting, evoked potential testing, and cochlear implant assessments, mapping and programming.
Hospital Medicine

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

Maryann Ally, MD, MPH, FACP, FHM
Hospitalist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Maryann Ally, MD, is an internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Ally is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. She does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient's hospital discharge, Dr. Ally completes a discharge summary that provides information to a patient’s regular physician to ensure quality care.

Ali Amirrezvani, MD
Hospitalist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine
Add'l Languages:
Persian, Spanish

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Ali Amirrezvani, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Amirrezvani is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s hospital discharge, Dr. Amirrezvani communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

Deepak Asudani, MBBS
Hospitalist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine
Add'l Language:
Hindi

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
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Bio:
Deepak Asudani, MBBS, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Asudani is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s hospital discharge, Dr. Asudani communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care. He serves as vice chief of Clinical Operations within the Division of Hospital Medicine. He also is a medical director for International Patients Program for inpatients.

Jessica G. Bazick, MD
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
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Bio:
Jessica Bazick, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Bazick is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. She does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s hospital discharge, Dr. Bazick communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

John Frederick Bell, MD, MPH
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
John Bell, MD, MPH, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Bell is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s hospital discharge, Dr. Bell communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Jaswinder P. Bajwa, MD
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Jaswinder Bajwa, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Bajwa is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s hospital discharge, Dr. Bajwa communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

Daniel Bouland, MD, FACP
Hospitalist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Daniel Bouland, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Bouland is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Bouland communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Brian Clay, MD
Hospitalist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Add'l Language: Spanish

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Brian Clay, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Clay is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Clay communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Diana Childers, MD, FHM
Hospitalist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Diana Childers, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Childers is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. She does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments.

Michele DeKorte, MD
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Michele DeKorte, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. DeKorte is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. She does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. DeKorte communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.
Robert El-Kareh, MD, MPH
Hospitalist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Robert El-Kareh, MD, MPH, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. El-Kareh is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. El-Kareh communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Sarah Horman, MD
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Sarah Horman, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Horman is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. She does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Horman communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Nikhil R. Gandhi, MD, FACP
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Nikhil Gandhi, MD, FACP, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Gandhi is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Gandhi communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Bryan Huang, MD
Hospitalist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Bryan Huang, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Huang is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Huang communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.
Ian Jenkins, MD
Hospitalist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Ian Jenkins, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Jenkins is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Jenkins communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Bethany E. Karl, DO
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hospital Medicine, Nephrology (Kidney)

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

Bio:
Bethany E. Karl, DO, is board-certified nephrologist. She is an assistant professor in Department of Medicine and works in the Divisions of Nephrology as well as Hospital Medicine at UC San Diego School of Medicine.

Michael Montazeri, MD
Hospitalist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Michael Montazeri, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Montazeri is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Montazeri communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

Jennifer Quartarolo, MD
Hospitalist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
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Bio:
Jennifer Quartarolo, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Quartarolo is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. She does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Quartarolo communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Pedro Ramos, MD
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Pedro Ramos, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Ramos is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Ramos communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Reid Sasaki, MD
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Reid Sasaki, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Sasaki is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Sasaki communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Meghan Sebasky, MD
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
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Contact:
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Bio:
Meghan Sebasky, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Sebasky is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. She does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Sebasky communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

Gregory B. Seymann, MD
Hospitalist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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Bio:
Gregory Seymann, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Seymann is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Seymann communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Kenton O. Smitherman, MD
Hospitalist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Kenton Smitherman, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Smitherman is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Smitherman communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

Natasha Surette, MD
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Natasha Surette, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Surette is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. She does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient’s discharge, Dr. Surette communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

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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Emergency Department - La Jolla: (858) 657-7600
Emergency Department - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6400

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.

Jay Varughese, MD
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Jay Varughese, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Varughese is assigned to patients at the time of admission and provides care only during their hospital stay. He does not see patients at outpatient clinics and is not available for appointments. Upon a patient's discharge, Dr. Varughese communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.
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