UC San Diego Health Physician Directory

Our physicians are recognized leaders in their professional societies, heading national organizations and committees dedicated to improving care and advancing knowledge about disease. They are prominently listed in publications such as America’s Top Doctors and *U.S. News & World Report*’s rankings of outstanding physicians and clinical programs.

Patient Access

Request an Appointment

Whether you’re looking for a primary care physician (PCP), need a specialist for treatment or are seeking a second opinion, you can make an appointment by following the steps below:

- **New Patients (who have never seen a UC San Diego Health provider)**
  To register as a new patient and schedule an appointment, call **800-926-8273**, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- **Current Patients**
  Contact your physician’s office directly to schedule an appointment or call the main switchboard number, **858-657-7000**, and ask to be transferred to your physician’s office.

- **Find a Doctor**
  To use our physician search website to find a physician by name or to search for a specialist, visit: [doctors.ucsd.edu](http://doctors.ucsd.edu).

Referring Physician Access

Transfer a Patient

For hospital-to-hospital transfers, call **619-543-5709** (24-hour service) for instructions or to speak to a transfer coordinator.

Consultations

If you need to talk with one of our physicians about a case or if you have any problems or concerns, please contact us at **855-543-0555** from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. We want to hear from you.

Refer Your Patient

Call Physician Access at **855-543-0555** or fax **888-539-8781** and our team will register and schedule your referred patient. You will receive follow-up communication (consultation notes, discharges, etc.), as well as access to our electronic medical record system, UCSD Link.
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Hospital medicine is concerned with the medical care of acutely ill inpatients. Learn more about hospital medicine at UC San Diego Health System.

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.

Deepak Asudani, MBBS
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine
Add'l Language:
Hindi

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

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.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

**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.

**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.

**Jessica G. Bazick, 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:*  
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.

**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.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

Brian Clay, MD
Hospitalist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hospital Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hospital Medicine
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs 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.

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.

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.

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.
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.

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.

Molly A Kantor
Hospitalist
Assistant Professor of Medicine
Specialty:
Hospital Medicine
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Bio:
Molly Kantor, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Kantor 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. Kantor communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

**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.

**Leslie Martin, MD**
Hospitalist  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Hospital Medicine  
**Add'l Language:** Cantonese

**Jacobs Medical Center**  
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

**Bio:**
Leslie Martin, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. As a hospitalist, Dr. Martin 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. Martin communicates with their regular physician to ensure quality care.

**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.

**Jennifer Quartarolo, 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:**
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.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

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.

Meghan Sebasky, 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:
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.

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.

Gregory B. Seymann, 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:
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  
Associate 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.

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

**Specialties:**  
Emergency Medicine, Hospital Medicine  

**Add'l Language:**  
Gujarati  

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

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Urgent Care, La Jolla: (858) 249-6800  
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.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

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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