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UC San Diego Health Physician Directory

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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)**
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  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.

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Locations

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  San Diego, CA 92121
- 8910 Villa La Jolla Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92037
- 8899 and 8929 University Center Lane
  San Diego, CA 92122
- 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92037
- 9333 Genesee Avenue
  San Diego, CA 92121
- 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92037
- 9350 Campus Point Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92037
- **Shiley Eye Institute**
  9415 Campus Point Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92093
- **Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**
  9434 Medical Center Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92093
- **Moores Cancer Center**
  3855 Health Sciences Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92093
- **Jacobs Medical Center**
  9300 Campus Point Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92037

**Hillcrest**
- **4th and Lewis Medical Offices**
  330 Lewis Street
  San Diego, CA 92103
- **Medical Offices North**
  200 West Arbor Drive
  San Diego, CA 92103
- **Medical Offices South**
  4168 Front Street
  San Diego, CA 92103
- **UC San Diego Medical Center**
  200 West Arbor Drive
  San Diego, CA 92103

**Encinitas**
- 1200 Garden View Road
  Encinitas, CA 92024
- 477 North El Camino Real
  Encinitas, CA 92024

**Vista**
- 910 Sycamore Avenue
  Vista, CA 92081

**Scripps Ranch**
- 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd.
  San Diego, CA 92131

**Kearny Mesa**
- 7910 Frost Street
  San Diego, CA 92123

**Rady Children’s Hospital-San Diego**
- 3020 Children’s Way
  San Diego, CA 92123

**Chula Vista**
- 959 Lane Avenue
  Chula Vista, CA 91914

**Temecula**
- 31720 Temecula Parkway
  Temecula, CA 92952

**Sorrento Valley**
- 4910 Directors Place
  San Diego, CA 92121
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Hospital Medicine

Hospital medicine is concerned with the medical care of acutely ill inpatients. Learn more about hospital medicine at UC San Diego Health System.

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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

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.

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.

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.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

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.

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.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

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.

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.

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.

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.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

Reid Sasaki, MD  
Hospitalist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine  

Specialty:  
Hospital Medicine  

Jacobs Medical Center  
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center  

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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  
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.

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:  
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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.
Hospital Medicine (cont.)

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

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