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Obesity Medicine

Joslin Cheverie, MD  
Surgeon  
Assistant Professor of Surgery  

Specialties:  
Surgery, Weight-Loss Surgery (Bariatric), Obesity Medicine  
Subspecialty:  
Minimally Invasive Surgery  

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive  
Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8860  

Bio:  
Joslin Cheverie, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in minimally invasive surgeries including bariatric procedures performed on the stomach or intestines to contribute to weight loss.

Santiago Horgan, MD  
Surgeon  
Professor of Surgery  
Director, Center for the Future of Surgery  

Specialties:  
Weight-Loss Surgery (Bariatric), Surgery, Cancer, Obesity Medicine  
Subspecialties:  
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers  
Add'l Language:  
Spanish  

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Bio:  
Santiago Horgan, MD, is an internationally recognized expert in esophageal disease, weight-loss surgery, minimally invasive surgery and new technologies and approaches for surgery. He performs a variety of weight-loss procedures including gastric sleeve, gastric plication, gastric bypass, and revisional weight-loss surgeries.

Eduardo Grunvald, MD  
Obesity Medicine Physician  
Medical Director, Weight Management Program  
Professor of Medicine  

Specialties:  
Obesity Medicine, Weight-Loss Surgery (Bariatric)  
Add'l Language:  
Spanish  

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Bio:  
Eduardo Grunvald, MD, is a board-certified obesity medicine physician. As part of UC San Diego Health's bariatric surgery team, Dr. Grunvald evaluates and manages patients before and after surgery, and helps people long-term with their health and weight loss journey. He also directs the weight management program, which includes nutrition, behavior, and lifestyle support.
Garth Ross Jacobsen, MD  
Director, Hernia Surgery  
Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**  
Surgery, Weight-Loss Surgery (Bariatric), Obesity Medicine  
**Subspecialties:**  
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery

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**Bio:**  
Garth Jacobsen, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in hernia surgery and repairing abdominal wall defects. He has expertise in both traditional and minimally invasive surgical techniques. Dr. Jacobsen's approach considers each patient as an individual. He works with each person to develop the best repair or surgical plan available.

Daphne (Yvette) LaCoursiere, MD  
Obstetrician/Gynecologist  
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

**Specialties:**  
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Obesity Medicine  
**Subspecialty:**  
General Gynecology

**La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla  
Jacobs Medical Center**

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

**Bio:**  
Yvette LaCoursiere, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.
Senior Medicine

Senior medicine, also known as geriatric medicine, is a medical specialization focusing on the health care of older adults. Learn more about [senior medicine](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health.

**Veronica V. Gonzalez, MD**
Primary Care Physician

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Senior Medicine

**Add'l Language:**
Spanish

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-2500

**Bio:**
Veronica Gonzalez, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician who specializes in caring for older adults. She provides primary care to patients, with an emphasis on health maintenance, disease prevention, treatment of acute and chronic illnesses and preservation of function. As a geriatrician, Dr. Gonzalez aims to keep seniors healthy and high functioning as they transition through the stages of aging. Her expertise includes providing therapeutic and rehabilitative care for conditions or health concerns that are common among the elderly such as frailty, falls, incontinence, memory and cognitive problems, and medication-related side effects. She also has expertise in end of life care and advance care planning.

**Roopali Gupta, MD**
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Senior Medicine

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-2500

**Bio:**
Roopali Gupta, MD, is a board-certified geriatric medicine doctor. She provides primary care for older adults, with an emphasis on health maintenance, disease prevention and treatment of acute and chronic illnesses.
Senior Medicine (cont.)

Alison Moore, MD, MPH, FACP
Primary Care Physician
Chief, Division of Geriatrics, Department of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Senior Medicine

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-2500

Bio:
Alison Moore, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor and geriatrician who specializes in caring for older adults. She provides primary care to patients, with an emphasis on health maintenance, disease prevention, treatment of acute and chronic diseases and preservation of function. As a geriatrician, Dr. Moore aims to keep seniors healthy and high functioning as they transition through the stages of aging. Her expertise includes providing therapeutic and rehabilitative care for conditions or health concerns that are common among the elderly such as frailty, falls, incontinence, memory and cognitive problems, and medication-related side effects. She also has expertise in end of life care and advance care planning.

Khai H. Nguyen, MD, MHS
Primary Care Physician
Clinical Services Chief, Senior Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Senior Medicine

Add'l Language:
Vietnamese

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
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Bio:
Khai Nguyen, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor and geriatrician who specializes in caring for older adults. He provides primary care to patients, with an emphasis on health maintenance, disease prevention, treatment of acute and chronic illnesses and preservation of function. As a geriatrician, Dr. Nguyen aims to keep seniors healthy and high functioning as they transition through the stages of aging. His expertise includes providing therapeutic and rehabilitative care for conditions or health concerns that are common among the elderly such as frailty, falls, incontinence, memory and cognitive problems, and medication-related side effects. He also has expertise in end of life care and advance care planning.

Ian C. Neel, MD
Medical Director, Geriatric Medicine Consult Service at Senior Behavioral Health
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Speciality:
Senior Medicine

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

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Bio:
Ian Neel, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor who specializes in caring for older adults. He serves as medical director of the Geriatric Medicine Consult Service at Senior Behavioral Health at UC San Diego Health.

Anjoulie Pujji, DO
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Senior Medicine

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
Registration and Scheduling: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices: (858) 249-2500

Bio:
Anjoulie Pujji DO, is a geriatric medicine doctor. She provides comprehensive and compassionate primary care to older adults with an emphasis on health maintenance, disease prevention and treatment of acute and chronic illnesses.
Senior Medicine (cont.)

Jairo Alberto Romero, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Senior Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
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Bio:
Jairo Alberto Romero, MD, is a board-certified geriatric medicine doctor. He provides primary care for older adults, with an emphasis on health maintenance, disease prevention and treatment of acute and chronic illnesses.

Lindsey Yourman, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Senior Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Bio:
Lindsey Yourman, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor and geriatrician who specializes in caring for older adults. She provides person-centered primary care focused on maintaining independence and quality of life.

James R. Templeman, MD, MPH
Geriatrician

Specialty:
Senior Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

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Bio:
James Templeman, MD, MPH, is a board-certified geriatrician who specializes in caring for older adults. He provides primary care to patients, with an emphasis on healthy aging, disease prevention, treatment of acute and chronic illnesses, and preservation of function.
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