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Hematology/Blood Diseases

Hematology (the study of “blood diseases”) is the branch of internal medicine that is concerned with the study of blood, blood-forming organs, and blood diseases. Learn more about hematology/blood diseases at UC San Diego Health.

John W. Adamson, MD
Clinical Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
- Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialty:
- Leukemia & Lymphoma

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6028

Bio:
John Adamson, MD is a board-certified hematologist with a special focus in red blood cell, iron metabolism and platelet disorders. A core member of the team at UC San Diego Health's Hemophilia Treatment Center, he helps provide specialized care for people with bleeding and clotting disorders.

Fotios (Fotis) Asimakopoulos, MB BChir, PhD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine In Residence

Specialties:
- Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialties:
- Leukemia & Lymphoma, Immunotherapy
Add'l Language:
- Greek

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Fotios (Fotis) Asimakopoulos, MB BChir, PhD, is a medical oncologist and hematologist who treats people with plasma cell dyscrasias, also known as plasma cell disorders or cancers of the plasma. His patients may have blood-related diseases such as multiple myeloma, monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS), amyloidosis, and Waldenstrom's macroglobulinemia (a type of lymphoma).

Elizabeth S. Allen, MD
Pathologist
Assistant Professor of Pathology

Specialties:
- Pathology, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Elizabeth Allen, MD, is a board-certified pathologist who specializes in transfusion medicine, a subspecialty of pathology, encompassing blood donation, transfusion practices, stem cell collections and cellular therapy.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Edward (Ted) Ball, MD
Director, Blood and Marrow Transplant Program
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Edward "Ted" Ball, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who treats individuals with blood-related cancers such as leukemia and lymphoma. In his role as director and chief of the UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, he leads an interdisciplinary team of physicians, advanced practitioners, nurses, social workers and support staff. Dr. Ball offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

Rafael Bejar, MD, PhD
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (855) 355-5864

Bio:
Dr. Rafael Bejar, MD, PhD, is board-certified in internal medicine, oncology, and hematology, with a special interest in hematologic malignancies (blood cancers). He specializes in the care of patients with myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) and related blood disorders.

Anjali Bharne, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Lung Cancer, Breast Cancer, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Urologic Cancer
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Encinitas - Garden View Road
Vista - Sycamore Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (760) 536-7700

Bio:
Anjali Bhame, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist. She treats a wide range of cancers, including lung, breast, head and neck, gastrointestinal, urologic and hematologic malignancies, as well as benign hematologic disorders.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Michael Choi, MD
Medical Staff Physician
Clinical Instructor

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (855) 355-5864

Bio:
Dr. Choi is a hematologist and medical oncologist specializing in the treatment of patients with blood cancers and other blood disorders, with an emphasis on chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL). He is a part of UC San Diego's CLL research team, collaborating with the laboratories of Drs. Thomas Kipps, Januario Castro, and Dennis Carson to help develop new therapies for patients with blood cancers. His clinical research interests include highly targeted novel therapies that can be used to treat blood cancers in a personalize and molecularly-driven manner.

Caitlin Costello, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line:: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Caitlin Costello, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating a variety of blood cancers, including multiple myeloma, lymphoma, and leukemia. She is part of the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial consultation and diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care throughout stem cell transplants, and follow-up survivorship care.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Peter T. Curtin, MD
Clinical Director, Blood and Marrow Transplantation
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Peter Curtin, MD, is a board-certified hematologist and oncologist who treats patients with blood-related cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma, myelodysplastic syndrome and myeloma. In his role as clinical director of Blood and Marrow Transplantation at UC San Diego Health, he leads an interdisciplinary team of physicians, advanced practitioners, nurses, social workers and support staff. Dr. Curtin offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient's own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

Natalie Galanina, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Leukemia & Lymphoma, Precision Medicine, Immunotherapy

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Natalie Galanina, MD, is a hematologist who specializes in treating patients with lymphoid malignancies, including lymphoma and leukemia, as well as rare hematologic tumors.

Srila Gopal, MBBS
Hematologist

Specialty:
Hematology/Blood Diseases
Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Tamil

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (855) 355-5864
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Srila Gopal, MBBS, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating patients with blood disorders. She has a particular focus on hemoglobinopathies, including sickle cell disease, thalassemia, other anemias, and bleeding, clotting and white blood cell disorders. Dr. Gopal leads UC San Diego Health's adult sickle cell disease program.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Ayad Hamdan, MD
Hematologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
- Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT
- Cancer
- Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
- Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Language:
- Arabic

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Ayad Hamdan, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including lymphoma, multiple myeloma, leukemia, myeloproliferative neoplasms and myelodysplastic syndromes. He offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient's own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.

Derek Helton, MD, FACP
Medical Oncologist
Medical Director of North County Cancer Services

Specialties:
- Medical Oncology
- Cancer
- Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialties:
- Gastrointestinal Cancers
- Gynecological Cancers
- Head & Neck Cancers
- Lung Cancer
- Pancreatic Cancer
- Leukemia & Lymphoma

Encinitas - Garden View Road
Vista - Sycamore Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (760) 536-7700

Bio:
Derek Helton, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist and medical director of cancer services at our Encinitas and Vista locations. He specializes in the treatment of a broad range of solid tumor malignancies and benign and malignant blood disorders. He has a special interest in the treatment of gastrointestinal cancers, including colorectal, esophageus, stomach, liver, pancreas, gallbladder, bile duct and anal cancers.

Benjamin Heyman, MD
Hematologist

Specialties:
- Hematology/Blood Diseases
- Cancer

Subspecialty:
- Leukemia & Lymphoma

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Benjamin Heyman, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who treats patients with blood cancers such as lymphoma, leukemia and myeloma.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Catriona Jamieson, MD, PhD
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Add'l Languages:
French, Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Catriona Jamieson, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist with broad clinical expertise in caring for patients with hematologic malignancies. As hematology team leader for the Division of Hematology/Oncology at UC San Diego Health Moores Cancer Center, Dr. Jamieson’s clinical interests include the treatment of myeloproliferative neoplasms including chronic myeloid leukemia (CML), polycythemia vera (PV), myelofibrosis and essential thrombocythemia. She is also the principal investigator on several clinical trials for the treatment of these and related bone marrow disorders.

Dan S. Kaufman, MD, PhD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Dan Kaufman, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in caring for patients with blood cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma. He is one of the physicians with the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial consultation and diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care during stem cell transplant procedures, and follow-up survivorship care. Dr. Kaufman’s expertise and areas of interest include cell-based immunotherapies, stem cells, regenerative medicine and natural killer (NK) cell-mediated therapy. He offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient’s own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Thomas James Kipps, MD, PhD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
- Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialty:
- Leukemia & Lymphoma
Add'l Language:
- German

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Thomas J. Kipps, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist with a distinguished career in cancer research. He currently serves as the Deputy Director of Research Operations for UC San Diego Moores Cancer Center. He is the author of more than 200 publications and is the principal investigator on several peer-reviewed grants, including the NCI award for the Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia Consortium involving collaboration with eight other cancer centers.

Divya T. Koura, MD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
- Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialty:
- Leukemia & Lymphoma
Add'l Language:
- Hindi

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Divya T. Koura, MD is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including leukemia, lymphoma and multiple myeloma. She is part of the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment. This includes initial diagnosis, treatment to help achieve remission, care during stem cell transplant procedures, and follow-up survivorship care.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

James K. Mangan, MD, PhD  
Hematologist / Oncologist  
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:  
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases  
Subspecialty:  
Leukemia & Lymphoma  
Add'l Language:  
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center  
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:  
James K. Mangan, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating people with blood cancers, including acute lymphocytic leukemia, acute myelogenous leukemia, chronic lymphocytic leukemia, and chronic myeloid leukemia. He also has expertise in treating people with myelodysplastic syndromes, myeloproliferative neoplasms, aplastic anemia, lymphoma, and myeloma.

Carolyn Mulroney, MD  
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist  
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:  
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases  
Subspecialty:  
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center  
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:  
Carolyn Mulroney, MD, is a hematologist and medical oncologist who provides autologous and allogeneic transplants to adults with a wide range of blood cancers and blood disorders, including lymphoma, leukemia, anemia, Langerhans cell histiocytosis (LCH), myelodysplasia, multiple myeloma, light-chain (AL) amyloidosis and graft versus host disease (GVHD). Dr. Mulroney offers chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy to adults with relapsed or refractory B-cell lymphoma, a type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. CAR T-cell therapy harnesses the patient's own immune cells to recognize and kill cancer cells. It is just one of many types of personalized cancer therapies offered at UC San Diego Health.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Erin Reid, MD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer, HIV/AIDS
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Erin Reid, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who specializes in treating patients with a wide range of hematologic and HIV-related malignancies, including lymphoma and Kaposi sarcoma. She sees patients at both Moores Cancer Center and the Owen Clinic, a comprehensive HIV care center.

Sanford J. Shattil, MD
Hematologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Sanford Shattil, MD, is a board-certified hematologist who focuses on disorders of blood platelets, bleeding disorders and the diagnosis and treatment of arterial and venous thrombosis.

Tony Reid, MD, PhD
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
As a physician, I strongly believe that we need better and more advanced therapies to treat cancer, but I also feel it is very important to carefully tailor the treatment to the individual patient. There is an increasing array of options for treatment for cancer including chemotherapy, targeted therapies, surgery and radiation and many patients need a combined and coordinated strategy that may include several of these options to achieve the optimal results. We have excellent surgeons and radiation therapists at UC San Diego Healthcare and we work closely as a team to provide the best possible care for our patients.

Fareeha Siddiqui, MD
Medical Oncologist/Hematologist

Specialties:
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Leukemia & Lymphoma, Lung Cancer
Add'l Languages:
French, Urdu

Encinitas - Garden View Road
Vista - Sycamore Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (760) 536-7700
Direct Clinic Line - Vista: (760) 536-7737

Bio:
Fareeha Siddiqui, MD, is a board-certified oncologist and hematologist, specializing in the treatment of wide variety of cancers, including lung, ovarian, prostate and brain cancer, as well as lymphoma and leukemia.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

**Tiffany N. Tanaka, MD**  
Hematologist  

**Specialties:**  
Hematology/Blood Diseases, Cancer  

**Subspecialty:**  
Leukemia & Lymphoma  

**Jacobs Medical Center**  
**Moores Cancer Center**  

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (855) 355-5864  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100  

**Bio:**  
Tiffany N. Tanaka, MD, is a board-certified hematologist specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of blood cancers and blood disorders, with an emphasis on myeloid malignancies.

**Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD**  
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine  

**Specialties:**  
Cancer, Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Hematology/Blood Diseases  

**Subspecialty:**  
Leukemia & Lymphoma  

**Add'l Languages:**  
German, Greek  

**Moores Cancer Center**  
**Jacobs Medical Center**  

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600  

**Bio:**  
Dimitrios Tzachanis, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who specializes in treating people with cancers of the blood and lymph system, including lymphoma, myeloma, leukemia, myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) and myeloproliferative neoplasms (MPN). He is a transplant physician for the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides comprehensive blood and marrow transplant services, including autologous and allogeneic stem cell transplantation.
Hematology/Blood Diseases (cont.)

Annette von Drygalski, MD, PharmD
Director, Hemophilia and Thrombosis Treatment Center
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Hematology/Blood Diseases
Add'l Languages:
French, German

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6028

Bio:
Annette von Drygalski, MD, PharmD, is a board-certified hematologist who cares for people with diseases of the blood, spleen and lymph. She directs the Hemophilia and Thrombosis Treatment Center at UC San Diego Health. In this role, Dr. von Drygalski developed translational and clinical research interests addressing the evolving needs of aging patients with hemophilia, such as cardiovascular and joint disease.

Matthew Wieduwilt, MD, PhD
Hematologist/Medical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Blood & Marrow Transplant - BMT, Cancer, Hematology/Blood Diseases
Subspecialty:
Leukemia & Lymphoma

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6600

Bio:
Matthew Wieduwilt, MD, PhD, is a board-certified hematologist and medical oncologist who cares for people with blood cancers, with a special focus in acute leukemia and bone marrow transplantation. He is a part of the joint UC San Diego Health / Sharp HealthCare Blood and Marrow Transplantation (BMT) Program, which provides patients with the unique opportunity to receive care from the same physician throughout all phases of blood cancer treatment.
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
Director, Center for Fluorescence-Guided Surgery

Specialties:
Weight-Loss Surgery (Bariatric), Surgery, Cancer, Obesity Medicine
Subspecialties:
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers
Add'l Language:
Spanish
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8860
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
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8860
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.
Obesity Medicine (cont.)

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

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8860

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.
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