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  - 8910 Villa La Jolla Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

- **Orthopedics Urgent Care**
  - 8899 and 8929 University Center Lane
  - San Diego, CA 92122

- **Medical Offices**
  - 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

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  - 9350 Campus Point Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

- **Medical Offices North**
  - 200 West Arbor Drive
  - San Diego, CA 92103

- **Medical Offices South**
  - 4168 Front Street
  - San Diego, CA 92103

- **Medical Offices North**
  - 200 West Arbor Drive
  - San Diego, CA 92103

- **Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**
  - 9434 Medical Center Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

- **Moores Cancer Center**
  - 3855 Health Sciences Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

- **Jacobs Medical Center**
  - 9300 Campus Point Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

- **Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion**
  - 9400 Campus Point Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

- **Perlman Medical Offices**
  - 9350 Campus Point Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

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  - **Hillcrest Emergency**
    - UC San Diego Medical Center
    - 200 West Arbor Drive
    - San Diego, CA 92103

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  - 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

- **Medical Offices North**
  - 200 West Arbor Drive
  - San Diego, CA 92103

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  - 9415 Campus Point Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

- **Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**
  - 9434 Medical Center Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

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  - Includes **Rancho Bernardo Urgent Care**
    - 16950 Via Tazon
    - San Diego, CA 92127

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  - Includes **Encinitas Express Care (Suite 110)**
    - 1200 Garden View Road
    - Encinitas, CA 92024

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  - Encinitas, CA 92024

- **College Area**
  - 6719 Alvarado Road, Suite 302
  - San Diego, CA 92120

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  - Downtown Express Care
    - 203 West F Street
    - San Diego, CA 92101

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

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  - 4910 Directors Place
    - San Diego, CA 92121

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  - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd, Suite 200
    - San Diego, CA 92131

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  - 959 Lane Avenue
    - Chula Vista, CA 91914

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  - 31720 Temecula Parkway, Suite 100
    - Temecula, CA 92592
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Palliative Care

Gary Buckholz, MD, FAAHPM
Associate Clinical Professor

Specialty:
Palliative Care

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Dr. Buckholz specializes in palliative care, which uses a team approach. The goal of palliative care is to prevent and relieve suffering and to support the best possible quality of life for patients and their families, regardless of the stage of disease or the need for other therapies. As such, it can be delivered concurrently with life-prolonging care or as the main focus of care.

Kyle P. Edmonds, MD, FAAHPM
Palliative Medicine Physician
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Palliative Care

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Kyle P. Edmonds, MD, is a board-certified palliative care specialist. Palliative medicine focuses on improving the quality of life for people with serious illness and their families. It can help provide relief from symptoms, pain, and emotional stress. As part of the Doris A. Howell Palliative Care service, Dr. Edmonds consults with patients who have been admitted to UC San Diego Health's hospitals in La Jolla and Hillcrest.

Jeremy Hirst, MD
Psychiatrist
Associate Director, Patient and Family Support Services, Moores Cancer Center

Specialties:
Psychiatry, Palliative Care, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Psychosocial Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Jeremy Hirst, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist. As part of Patient & Family Support Services at Moores Cancer Center, he treats people who may be experiencing depression, anxiety, insomnia or other psychiatric symptoms that are either a result of the cancer experience or are interfering with cancer treatment. He can provide psychiatric assessments, treatment and medication management.

William Mitchell, MD
Medical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cancer, Palliative Care
Subspecialty:
Lung Cancer

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
William Mitchell, MD, is a board-certified medical oncologist. He cares for patients with all kinds of thoracic cancer, including lung cancer, mesothelioma and thymomas.
Palliative Care (cont.)

Loren S. Novak, DO
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Palliative Care

Contact:
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Loren Novak, DO, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through Tri-City Primary Care. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Maria Tiamson-Kassab, MD

Specialties:
Psychiatry, Palliative Care, Cancer
Subspecialty:
Psychosocial Oncology
Add'l Language:
Tagalog

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Maria Tiamson-Kassab, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist and the director of Moores Cancer Center's Patient & Family Support Services, which treats people who may be experiencing depression, anxiety, insomnia or other psychiatric symptoms that are either a result of the cancer experience or are interfering with cancer treatment. She can provide psychiatric assessment, treatment and medication management.

Kira A Skavinski, DO
Palliative Care Specialist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Palliative Care

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Kira Skavinski, DO, is a board-certified palliative care physician who helps relieve suffering in people with life-limiting and chronic illnesses. She provides pain and symptom management, and aims to optimize quality of life for her patients and their families while addressing their medical, psychological, social, and spiritual needs. Dr. Skavinski also assists patients and their families with discussions regarding advance care planning and goals.

Kathryn (Kadee) Winters, MD
Palliative Care Specialist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Palliative Care

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Kathryn (Kadee) Winters, MD, is a palliative care physician who provides supportive care for people with cancer or other life-threatening diseases. Palliative medicine focuses on improving the quality of life for people with serious illness and their families. It can help provide relief from symptoms, pain and emotional stress.
Palliative Care (cont.)

Heidi Yeung, MD
Palliative Care Specialist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Palliative Care

Add'l Languages:
French, Mandarin

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061

Bio:
Heidi Yeung, MD, is a board-certified hospice and palliative care specialist who manages pain and other symptoms related to disease or its treatment. She works with a multidisciplinary team to help individualize care for patients and their families.
Transplantation - Heart Transplantation

**Eric David Adler, MD**
Cardiologist  
Director of Cardiac Transplant and Mechanical Circulatory Support  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Cardiology, Transplantation

**Subspecialties:**  
Heart Failure, Heart Transplantation

**Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8530

**Bio:**  
Dr. Eric David Adler is a board-certified cardiologist and medical director of heart transplant and mechanical circulatory support. He specializes in advanced heart failure, mechanical circulatory support and cardiac transplantation.

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**Denise Dayle Barnard, MD**
Director, Women's Cardiovascular Health Program  
Assistant Director, Advanced Heart Failure Program, Cardiac Transplantation & Mechanical Circulatory Assist Device Program  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Cardiology, Transplantation

**Subspecialties:**  
Heart Failure, Heart Transplantation

**Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5743

**Bio:**  
Denise Barnard, MD, is a board-certified cardiologist who is actively involved in UC San Diego Health's Advanced Heart Failure, Cardiac Transplantation and Mechanical Circulatory Assist Device Programs. She is a nationally recognized heart failure expert and also practices at the VA San Diego Healthcare.
Transplantation - Heart Transplantation (cont.)

Barry H. Greenberg, MD, FHFSA  
Director, Advanced Heart Failure Treatment Program  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Cardiology, Transplantation  
**Subspecialties:**  
Heart Failure, Heart Transplantation  
**Add'l Language:**  
French

**Bio:**  
Barry H. Greenberg, MD, is a board-certified cardiologist and internationally recognized pioneer in the field of heart failure. He directs the Advanced Heart Failure Treatment Program at UC San Diego Health.

Michael M Madani, MD, FACS  
Division Chief, Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery  
Executive Director, Surgery - Cardiovascular Institute  
Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**  
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cardiology, Transplantation, Surgery  
**Subspecialties:**  
Heart Transplantation, Lung Transplantation, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Heart Failure  
**Add'l Language:**  
Persian

**Bio:**  
Michael Madani, MD, is a board-certified cardiovascular surgeon who oversees a variety of surgical services at UC San Diego Health, including surgical treatment for heart failure, lung transplantation and pulmonary thromboendarterectomy (PTE). He is the surgical director of the Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE) Program, and is also an expert in minimally invasive heart surgery, mitral valve repair and off-pump bypass surgery.
Transplantation - Heart Transplantation (cont.)

Travis L. Pollema, DO
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Surgery, Cardiology, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Lung Transplantation, Heart Failure, Heart Transplantation

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Temecula Parkway

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7777

Bio:
Travis L. Pollema, DO, is a cardiothoracic surgeon who specializes in treating diseases of the heart and lungs. His expertise includes treating coronary artery disease with bypass surgery and valvular heart disease with valve repair or replacement. Dr. Pollema performs operations for patients with advanced stages of heart failure; patients needing mechanical circulatory support, including temporary and permanent ventricular assist devices (VADs); and those who have undergone or need heart and/or lung transplantation. He also implements and manages the care of those requiring extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO), a type of life support treatment that provides enough oxygen to a person while allowing time for their lungs and heart to rest or heal.

Victor (Gert) Pretorius, MBChB
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Surgical Director of Heart Transplant
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cardiology, Surgery, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Heart Failure, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Heart Transplantation, Lung Transplantation

Add'l Language:
Afrikaans

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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

Bio:
Victor (Gert) Pretorius, MBChB, is a board-certified cardiothoracic surgeon who specializes in lead management. Pacemakers and implantable cardioverter-defibrillators (ICDs) deliver energy to the heart through thin, flexible wires called leads. When these leads are not working properly – because of infection, damage, or surrounding scar tissue – they need to be removed. Dr. Pretorius performs a minimally invasive procedure called laser lead extraction to cut through scar tissue surrounding the lead, allowing it to be easily removed.
Jorge E. Silva Enciso, MD
Cardiologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine
Specialties:
Cardiology, Transplantation
Subspecialties:
Heart Transplantation, Heart Failure
Additional Language:
Spanish
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8530
Bio:
Jorge Silva Enciso, MD, is a board-certified advanced heart failure and transplant cardiologist. He cares for patients with progressive heart failure symptoms in need of advanced therapies or surgical treatments including ventricular assist devices (VADs) or heart transplantation.

Marcus A. Urey, MD
Cardiologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine
Specialties:
Cardiology, Transplantation
Subspecialties:
Heart Failure, Heart Transplantation
Additional Language:
Spanish
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8530
Bio:
Marcus A. Urey, MD, is a board-certified cardiologist specializing in advanced heart failure, mechanical circulatory devices and heart transplantation. In addition to his expertise in caring for those with end stage heart failure, he has a special interest in the evaluation and treatment of adults with heart failure caused by congenital heart disease (heart defects that are present at birth). He works closely with pediatric and adult cardiovascular disease colleagues to improve quality and duration of life in this challenging patient population.

Patricia Thistlethwaite, MD, PhD
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Professor of Surgery
Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Transplantation, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Heart Transplantation, Lung Cancer
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7777
Bio:
Patricia Thistlethwaite, MD, PhD, is a board-certified cardiothoracic surgeon who specializes in lung cancer, mediastinal and chest wall surgery, diseases of the thymus, minimally invasive thoracic surgery, and heart and lung transplantation. She focuses on providing patient-centered clinical care, using minimally invasive approaches to treat thoracic disease.
Transplantation - Kidney Transplantation

Jennifer Berumen, MD
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Director of Living Donor Kidney Transplant
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Transplantation, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Hepatobiliary Surgery, Liver Transplantation, Kidney Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6487
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729

Bio:
Jennifer Berumen, MD, is a surgeon specializing in abdominal transplantation and hepatobiliary (liver and bile duct) surgery. She performs kidney, liver and pancreas transplantations.

Kristin L. Mekeel, MD
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Interim Chief, Division of Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgery
Surgical Director, Kidney and Pancreas Transplantation
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Kidney Transplantation, Liver Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation, Hepatobiliary Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6487

Bio:
Kristin L. Mekeel is a board-certified transplant surgeon who specializes in liver, kidney, and pancreas transplantation surgery in adults and children. She performs operations in patients with conditions such as chronic kidney disease, chronic liver disease, liver cancer and type 1 diabetes.

Adnan Khan, MBBS, FASN, FNKF
Nephrologist

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Kidney Transplantation, Transplant Nephrology, Pancreas Transplantation

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Urdu

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-7729
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Adnan Khan, MBBS, is a board-certified nephrologist who specializes in all aspects of kidney and pancreas transplantation. He also has expertise in treating patients with complex cases of hypertension.
Transplantation - Kidney Transplantation (cont.)

Justin Parekh, MD
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Kidney Transplantation, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Liver Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7729

Bio:
Justin Parekh, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in transplantation of the liver, kidney and pancreas, as well as hepatobiliary (liver and gall bladder) surgery. He also has expertise in treating liver tumors, hepatocellular carcinoma, cirrhosis and end-stage renal disease.

Mita M. Shah, MD
Nephrologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Pancreas Transplantation, Dialysis, Kidney Transplantation

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Mita Shah, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who specializes in the care and management of kidney transplant patients with a special interest in the management of immunosuppression to improve long-term graft survival.

Gabriel T. Schnickel, MD, MPH
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Surgical Director, Liver Transplantation
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Transplantation, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Pancreas Transplantation, Liver Transplantation, Kidney Transplantation

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7728

Bio:
Gabriel T. Schnickel, MD, MPH, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in liver, kidney and pancreas transplant. His expertise includes treating liver cancer, bile duct cancer, liver cysts, and benign tumors of the liver.
Transplantation - Kidney Transplantation (cont.)

Robert W. Steiner, MD
Co-Director of Transplant Nephrology
Medical Director, Kidney & Pancreas Transplantation
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation
Subspecialty:
Kidney Transplantation

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
In the years I have taught and practiced at UC San Diego (and for a time in the community), I have seen countless improvements in the care of kidney patients. Our understanding of kidney diseases and dialysis management has never been better. At the same time, our ability to prevent kidney transplant failure has markedly improved. We now better understand the risks of living kidney donation. Working with the transplant team at UCSD, and with others across the country, has helped us to successfully address these issues.

David Malcom Ward, MD, FRCP
Nephrologist
Professor of Clinical Medicine, Emeritus

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation
Subspecialties:
Kidney Transplantation, Apheresis

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729
Direct Clinic Line - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion: (858) 249-3030

Bio:
David Malcom Ward, MD, is a nephrologist who specializes in apheresis, a medical procedure that involves passing a person's blood through a device that separates out a component of the blood from its other parts and returns the remainder of the blood into circulation.
Transplantation - Liver Transplantation

Veeral Ajmera, MD  
Hepatologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:  
Hepatology (Liver), Gastroenterology, Transplantation
Subspecialty:  
Liver Transplantation

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South  
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive  
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Liver Center: (619) 543-5415  
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr. (Liver Transplantation): (858) 657-7728  
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices (Gastroenterology): (619) 543-2347

Bio:  
Veeral Ajmera, MD, is a board-certified gastroenterologist who treats patients with chronic liver disease, including those with cirrhosis. He also has expertise with fatty liver disease and liver transplantation.

Jennifer Berumen, MD  
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon  
Director of Living Donor Kidney Transplant  
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:  
Transplantation, Surgery
Subspecialties:  
Hepatobiliary Surgery, Liver Transplantation, Kidney Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive  
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6487  
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729

Bio:  
Jennifer Berumen, MD, is a surgeon specializing in abdominal transplantation and hepatobiliary (liver and bile duct) surgery. She performs kidney, liver and pancreas transplantsations.
Transplantation - Liver Transplantation (cont.)

Saumya Jayakumar, MD, FRCPC
Hepatologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hepatology (Liver), Gastroenterology, Transplantation
Subspeciality:
Liver Transplantation
Add'l Language:
Tamil

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Liver Center: (619) 543-5415
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr. (Liver Transplantation): (858) 657-7728
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices (Gastroenterology): (619) 543-2347

Bio:
Saumya Jayakumar, MD, is a hepatologist who treats patients with liver disease. Her clinical and research interests include end-stage liver disease, liver transplant and non-alcoholic fatty liver disease.

Yuko Kono, MD
Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Gastroenterology, Transplantation, Hepatology (Liver)
Subspeciality:
Liver Transplantation
Add'l Language:
Japanese

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5415

Bio:
Yuko Kono, MD, is a hepatologist with a special interest in hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) surveillance, diagnosis, management, general hepatology and liver transplantation. She is an expert in contrast enhanced ultrasound imaging.
Transplantation - Liver Transplantation (cont.)

Rohit Loomba, MD
Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist
Vice Chief, Gastroenterology
Director, Hepatology
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Gastroenterology, Hepatology (Liver), Transplantation

Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation

Add'l Language:
Hindi

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5415

Bio:
Rohit Loomba, MD, is a board-certified gastroenterologist. His expertise includes treating and managing many types of chronic liver disease, such as nonalcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD), nonalcoholic steatohepatitis, chronic hepatitis, cirrhosis, and hemochromatosis. As a transplant hepatologist, Dr. Loomba works with transplant surgeons in the pre and postoperative care of liver transplant patients. He also directs the NAFLD Research Center at UC San Diego, and leads a multidisciplinary group of investigators to study NAFLD.

Kristin L. Mekeel, MD
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Interim Chief, Division of Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgery
Surgical Director, Kidney and Pancreas Transplantation
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Kidney Transplantation, Liver Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation, Hepatobiliary Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6487

Bio:
Kristin L. Mekeel is a board-certified transplant surgeon who specializes in liver, kidney, and pancreas transplantation surgery in adults and children. She performs operations in patients with conditions such as chronic kidney disease, chronic liver disease, liver cancer and type 1 diabetes.
Transplantation - Liver Transplantation (cont.)

**Michel Henry Mendler, MD**
Gastroenterologist and Transplant Hepatologist
Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**
Gastroenterology, Transplantation, Hepatology (Liver)

**Subspecialty:**
Liver Transplantation

**Add'l Language:**
French

**Contact:**
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Temecula Parkway
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5415
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr. (Liver Transplantation): (858) 657-7728
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices (Gastroenterology): (619) 543-2347

**Bio:**
Michel Mendler, MD, is a gastroenterologist and transplant hepatologist. He has expertise in performing lower GI endoscopies and percutaneous liver biopsies to diagnose and treat patients with digestive and liver diseases including liver cancer, alcoholic liver disease and hepatitis.

**Justin Parekh, MD**
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Surgery, Transplantation

**Subspecialties:**
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Kidney Transplantation, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Liver Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation

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**Specialties:**
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**Subspecialties:**
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Transplantation - Liver Transplantation (cont.)

Irine E. Vodkin, MD
Hepatologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hepatology (Liver), Transplantation, Gastroenterology
Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation
Add'l Languages:
Russian, Spanish

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Bio:
Irine Vodkin, MD is a board-certified gastroenterologist with a focus on end-stage liver disease and transplantation.
Transplantation - Lung Transplantation

Kamyar Afshar, DO
Director, Advanced Lung Disease Program
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Pulmonology (Lung), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Lung Transplantation, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Critical Care

Additional Language:
Farsi

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Bio:
Kamyar Afshar, DO, is a board-certified pulmonary and critical care physician who specializes in complex lung diseases and lung transplantation. His expertise includes treating cystic fibrosis (CF) and non-CF bronchiectasis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency, interstitial lung disease, sarcoidosis, as well as rare lung diseases such as lymphangioleiomyomatosis (LAM) and tuberculous sclerosis complex.

Timothy J. Floreth, MD
Pulmonologist

Specialties:
Pulmonology (Lung), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Lung Transplantation

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Bio:
Timothy Floreth, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist who is nationally recognized for his expertise in treating chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), interstitial lung disease and cystic fibrosis.
Transplantation - Lung Transplantation (cont.)

Eugene Golts, MD
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Surgery, Cardiology, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Heart Failure, Lung Transplantation

Add'l Languages:
Russian, Ukrainian

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Bio:
Eugene Golts, MD, is a board-certified general and cardiothoracic surgeon who performs the full scope of cardiothoracic surgery and thoracic organ transplantation. Dr. Golts is surgical director of the Lung Transplant Program at UC San Diego Health.

Michael M Madani, MD, FACS
Division Chief, Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery
Executive Director, Surgery - Cardiovascular Institute
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cardiology, Transplantation, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Heart Transplantation, Lung Transplantation, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Heart Failure

Add'l Language:
Persian

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Bio:
Michael Madani, MD, is a board-certified cardiovascular surgeon who oversees a variety of surgical services at UC San Diego Health, including surgical treatment for heart failure, lung transplantation and pulmonary thromboendarterectomy (PTE). He is the surgical director of the Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE) Program and is also an expert in minimally invasive heart surgery, mitral valve repair and off-pump bypass surgery.
Transplantation - Lung Transplantation (cont.)

Anthony Perricone, MD  
Clinical Professor

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cancer, Surgery, Transplantation  
Subspecialties:
Lung Cancer, Lung Transplantation, Minimally Invasive Surgery  
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Bio:  
Dr. Perricone is director of the Cardiothoracic Unit at the Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center, and surgical director of lung transplantation at UC San Diego Health.

Travis L. Pollema, DO  
Cardiothoracic Surgeon  
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Surgery, Cardiology, Transplantation  
Subspecialties:
Lung Transplantation, Heart Failure, Heart Transplantation  
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Bio:  
Travis L. Pollema, DO, is a cardiothoracic surgeon who specializes in treating diseases of the heart and lungs. His expertise includes treating coronary artery disease with bypass surgery and valvular heart disease with valve repair or replacement. Dr. Pollema performs operations for patients with advanced stages of heart failure; patients needing mechanical circulatory support, including temporary and permanent ventricular assist devices (VADs); and those who have undergone or need heart and/or lung transplantation. He also implements and manages the care of those requiring extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO), a type of life support treatment that provides enough oxygen to a person while allowing time for their lungs and heart to rest or heal.
Transplantation - Lung Transplantation (cont.)

Victor (Gert) Pretorius, MBChB
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Surgical Director of Heart Transplant
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cardiology, Surgery, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Heart Failure, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Heart Transplantation, Lung Transplantation

Add'l Language:
Afrikaans

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Bio:
Victor (Gert) Pretorius, MBChB, is a board-certified cardiothoracic surgeon who specializes in lead management. Pacemakers and implantable cardioverter-defibrillators (ICDs) deliver energy to the heart through thin, flexible wires called leads. When these leads are not working properly – because of infection, damage, or surrounding scar tissue – they need to be removed. Dr. Pretorius performs a minimally invasive procedure called laser lead extraction to cut through scar tissue surrounding the lead, allowing it to be easily removed.

Gordon Yung, MD
Pulmonologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Pulmonology (Lung), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Critical Care, Lung Transplantation

Add'l Language:
Cantonese

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Bio:
Gordon Yung, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist who is medical director of lung transplantation. He also specializes in advanced lung disease, including interstitial lung disease, pulmonary hypertension and COPD.
Transplantation - Pancreas Transplantation

Jennifer Berumen, MD
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Director of Living Donor Kidney Transplant
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Transplantation, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Hepatobiliary Surgery, Liver Transplantation, Kidney Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation

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Bio:
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Kristin L. Mekeel, MD
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Interim Chief, Division of Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgery
Surgical Director, Kidney and Pancreas Transplantation
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Transplantation
Subspecialties:
Kidney Transplantation, Liver Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation, Hepatobiliary Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

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Bio:
Kristin L. Mekeel is a board-certified transplant surgeon who specializes in liver, kidney, and pancreas transplantation surgery in adults and children. She performs operations in patients with conditions such as chronic kidney disease, chronic liver disease, liver cancer and type 1 diabetes.

Adnan Khan, MBBS, FASN, FNKF
Nephrologist

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation
Subspecialties:
Kidney Transplantation, Transplant Nephrology, Pancreas Transplantation
Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Urdu

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Bio:
Adnan Khan, MBBS, is a board-certified nephrologist who specializes in all aspects of kidney and pancreas transplantation. He also has expertise in treating patients with complex cases of hypertension.
Transplantation - Pancreas Transplantation (cont.)

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Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
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Mita M. Shah, MD
Nephrologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Pancreas Transplantation, Dialysis, Kidney Transplantation

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Bio:
Mita Shah, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who specializes in the care and management of kidney transplant patients with a special interest in the management of immunosuppression to improve long-term graft survival.

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Transplantation, Surgery, Cancer

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