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Neurosurgery

Neurosurgery specializes in prevention, diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation of disorders which affect the nervous system. Learn more about [neurosurgery](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health.

David Barba, MD, FAANS
Neurosurgeon
Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Neurosurgery, Surgery

**Add'l Language:**
Spanish

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

**Bio:**
David Barba, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon focusing on surgical treatment of people with epilepsy and movement disorders.

J. Scott Pannell, MD
Neurointerventional Radiologist

**Specialties:**
Neurosurgery, Radiology, Stroke Care

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

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

**Bio:**
J. Scott Pannell, MD, is a neurointerventional radiologist who specializes in endovascular neurosurgery and neuroradiology. Dr. Pannell focuses on the catheter-based treatment of ischemic stroke, cerebral aneurysms, arteriovenous malformations, carotid stenosis, vascular tumors, and interventional management of pain associated with disorders of the spine (such as spine blocks).

Michael Levy, MD, PhD
Chief of Pediatric Neurosurgery
Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Neurosurgery, Surgery

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

**Bio:**
Michael Levy, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon at UC San Diego Health and chief of pediatric neurosurgery at Rady Children's Hospital San Diego. Dr. Levy's primary surgical interests are in pediatric and vascular neurosurgery.

Hoi Sang U, MD
Neurosurgeon
Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Neurosurgery, Surgery

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

**Bio:**
Hoi Sang U, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who is an internationally recognized specialist in the treatment of vascular anomalies known as AVMs. Patients have traveled to UCSD from as far away as Australia, Hong Kong, the Sultanate of Brunei, Africa and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to take advantage of his expertise.
Neurosurgery - Complex Cranial Surgery

Thomas L. Beaumont, MD, PhD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology
Add'l Language:
Italian

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Thomas Beaumont, MD, PhD, is a neurosurgeon who specializes in skull base and minimally invasive cranial surgery. He performs both open microsurgery and endoscopic approaches for brain, skull base and pituitary tumors where he tailors the surgical approach to provide maximally effective yet minimally invasive neurosurgical care. Dr. Beaumont has a passion for the treatment of meningiomas, pituitary tumors, craniopharyngiomas and clival chordomas, and is an expert in the endoscopic endonasal approach (EEA). Additionally, he treats cavernous malformations, cranial nerve compression syndromes and craniocervical junction disease.

Sunil Jeswani, MD
Neurosurgeon

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Complex Cranial Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Spine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Sunil Jeswani, MD, is a neurosurgeon who treats people with cranial and spinal problems. He performs surgery for brain tumors, pituitary tumors, skull base tumors, stereotactic radiosurgery, hydrocephalus, and trigeminal neuralgia. He also does minimally invasive spinal surgery and treats spinal conditions such as degenerative disease, tumors, scoliosis and spinal trauma.
Neurosurgery - Complex Cranial Surgery (cont.)

Alexander A. Khalessi, MD, FAANS
Chair, Neurological Surgery
Professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Stroke Care, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Endovascular Neurosurgery, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Languages:
Farsi, Spanish

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Alexander A. Khalessi, MD, MBA, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who specializes in cranial and endovascular surgery. He is chair of the Department of Neurosurgery and professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences. He provides both open surgical and catheter-based approaches to complex neurosurgical problems, including brain tumors, aneurysms, arteriovenous malformations (AVM) and carotid disease. His vascular training informs his surgical approach to complex tumors in the brain. He is a fellow of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons (FAANS), American Heart Association Stroke Council (FAHA), and senior member of the Society of NeuroInterventional Surgery (SNIS).

Marc S. Schwartz, MD
Neurosurgeon

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Neurosurgery: (619) 543-5540
Direct Clinic Line - ENT/Head & Neck Surgery: (858) 657-8590
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Marc Schwartz, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who is an internationally renowned expert on the treatment of patients with acoustic neuromas, skull base tumors, and neurofibromatosis type 2 (NF2). He is also the recognized neurosurgical leader in the field of auditory brainstem implants. In addition, Dr. Schwartz treats complex cranial problems, meningiomas, brain tumors, pituitary tumors, cranial nerve disorders, and intradural spine tumors.
Neurosurgery - Endovascular Neurosurgery

Alexander A. Khalessi, MD, FAANS
Chair, Neurological Surgery
Professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Stroke Care, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Endovascular Neurosurgery, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Languages:
Farsi, Spanish

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

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Scott E. Olson, MD
Vascular Neurologist and Endovascular Neurosurgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Neurology, Stroke Care

Subspecialties:
Endovascular Neurosurgery, Stroke

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Scott E. Olson, MD, is a board-certified vascular neurologist with additional fellowship training in interventional neuroradiology/endovascular neurosurgery. He specializes in evaluating and treating disorders of the blood vessels of the brain and spinal cord, which can lead to ischemic or hemorrhagic stroke. His expertise includes both medical and endovascular care for individuals with extra and intracranial stenoses, brain aneurysms and vascular malformations, whether congenital or acquired.
Neurosurgery - Neurological Oncology

John Alksne, MD
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
John F. Alksne, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who focuses on the care of patients with neurological conditions such as trigeminal neuralgia (tic douloureux/facial pain), facial tic, glossopharyngeal neuralgia, and acoustic neuroma.

Thomas L. Beaumont, MD, PhD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology
Add'l Language:
Italian

Moores Cancer Center

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Neurosurgery - Neurological Oncology (cont.)

Joseph D Ciacci, MD
Neurosurgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology, Spine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Joseph Ciacci, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon with extensive experience in neuro-oncology of the spine and brain. Dr. Ciacci's primary interests are tumors of the spine and brain, complex spinal reconstruction, and stereotactic radiosurgery, a form of radiation therapy that focuses high-power energy on a small area of the body.

Sunil Jeswani, MD
Neurosurgeon

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Complex Cranial Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Spine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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Neurosurgery - Neurological Oncology (cont.)

Alexander A. Khalessi, MD, FAANS
Chair, Neurological Surgery
Professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Stroke Care, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Endovascular Neurosurgery, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Languages:
Farsi, Spanish

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

Contact:
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Marc S. Schwartz, MD
Neurosurgeon

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

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Neurosurgery - Spine

Sharona Ben-Haim, MD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Neurosurgery, Surgery

**Subspecialty:**
Spine

**Add'l Languages:**
Hebrew, Spanish

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

**Bio:**
Sharona Ben-Haim, MD, is a neurosurgeon who specializes in caring for people with treatment-resistant epilepsy and movement disorders such as Parkinson's disease, dystonia and essential tremor and spasticity. She also treats chronic pain, including facial pain and trigeminal neuralgia, as well as pain related to spinal conditions.

Sunil Jeswani, MD
Neurosurgeon

**Specialties:**
Neurosurgery, Surgery

**Subspecialties:**
Complex Cranial Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Spine

**Bio:**
Sunil Jeswani, MD, is a neurosurgeon who treats people with cranial and spinal problems. He performs surgery for brain tumors, pituitary tumors, skull base tumors, stereotactic radiosurgery, hydrocephalus, and trigeminal neuralgia. He also does minimally invasive spinal surgery and treats spinal conditions such as degenerative disease, tumors, scoliosis and spinal trauma.

Joseph Ciacci, MD
Neurosurgeon
Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology, Spine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

**Bio:**
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Neurosurgery - Spine (cont.)

Lawrence Marshall, MD
Neurosurgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Spine

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Lawrence Marshall, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon and an internationally renowned expert in traumatic head injury. Dr. Marshall's surgical interests cover all of neurosurgery but especially diseases of the spine and spinal cord, brain tumors, and peripheral nerves.

Andrew Nguyen, MD, PhD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Spine
Add'l Language:
Vietnamese

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Andrew Nguyen, MD, PhD, is a neurosurgeon who specializes in endovascular treatments for neurovascular diseases and minimally invasive spine surgery.

Joseph Osorio, MD, PhD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Spine

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Joseph Osorio, MD, PhD, is a neurosurgeon who specializes in complex spine surgery. He treats spinal conditions such as scoliosis, kyphosis, kyphoscoliosis and flatback syndrome. He also treats spinal tumors, cervical spinal problems, and degenerative conditions of the spine such as spondylolisthesis and stenosis.
Neurosurgery - Spine (cont.)

Martin H. Pham, MD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Spine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Jacobs Medical Center
Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Martin Pham, MD, is a neurosurgeon who focuses on the neurosurgical evaluation and treatment of spinal disorders. This includes adult scoliosis and spinal deformity, complex spinal reconstruction, robotic and minimally invasive spine surgery, motion preservation of the spine, spine tumors, and spine trauma.

William Taylor, MD
Neurosurgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Spine

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
William Taylor, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon. His practice focuses on the neurosurgical evaluation and treatment of spinal disorders. He is also dedicated to further developing and refining minimally invasive surgical procedures used to treat spinal conditions and diseases.
Pulmonology (Lung)

Pulmonology is the branch of medicine specializing in the study and science of the anatomy, physiology and pathology of the lungs. Learn more about pulmonology (lung) at UC San Diego Health.

Douglas J. Conrad, MD
Professor
Director, Adult Cystic Fibrosis Clinic
Director, Pulmonary Function Laboratory, VA Medical Center

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7073

Bio:
UC San Diego Health Links

Jose S. Loredo, MD, MPH
Sleep Medicine Specialist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Sleep Medicine, Pulmonology (Lung)

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (844) 757-5337

Bio:
Jose Loredo, MD, MPH, is a sleep medicine doctor who evaluates and treats individuals with sleep related disorders such as narcolepsy, insomnia, and sleep apnea. He cares for patients at UC San Diego Health's Sleep Medicine Center, where he provides a full spectrum of therapeutic and diagnostic services.

Lawrence E. Kline, DO, FACP, FCCP, FAASM
Pulmonologist and Sleep Medicine Specialist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Sleep Medicine, Pulmonology (Lung)

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (844) 757-5337

Bio:
Lawrence Kline, DO, is a board-certified pulmonologist who specializes in treating breathing and sleep disorders such as sleep apnea.

Bernie Y. Sunwoo, MBBS
Medical Director, Pulmonary and Sleep Medicine
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Sleep Medicine, Pulmonology (Lung)

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (844) 757-5337

Bio:
Bernie Sunwoo, MBBS, is a board-certified pulmonologist and sleep medicine specialist who treats people with general lung conditions as well as rare lung diseases, sleep-related breathing disorders and hypoventilation syndromes.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Asthma

Praveen Akuthota, MD
Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Asthma, Critical Care

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

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

Bio:
Praveen Akuthota, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist who treats all types of asthma as well as eosinophilic pulmonary disease, including eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis (Churg-Strauss syndrome), allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis, and eosinophilic pneumonia. Eosinophilic lung disorders involve an increased number of eosinophils (white blood cells) in the lungs. These white blood cells are part of the immune system and fight off allergic or chemical reactions and some infections.

Daniel R. Crouch, MD
Pulmonologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Critical Care, Asthma

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

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

Bio:
Daniel Crouch, MD is a board-certified pulmonologist. He is clinically active in pulmonary and critical care medicine. He provides care to patients with a variety of lung diseases, and has a special interest in the treatment of patients with asthma. He is committed to providing high quality comprehensive care to his patients and is actively involved in clinical trials.

Wael ElMaraachi, MD
Pulmonologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Critical Care, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Asthma

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, Spanish

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

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

Bio:
Wael ElMaraachi, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist focusing on diagnosis and treatment of non-tuberculosis mycobacterial (NTM) lung infections, latent and active tuberculosis (TB) and bronchiectasis. He is also a board-certified critical care specialist and treats patients in intensive care.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

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

Add'l Language:
Farsi

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6097

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 tuberous sclerosis complex.

Daniel R. Crouch, MD
Pulmonologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Critical Care, Asthma

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

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

Bio:
Daniel Crouch, MD is a board-certified pulmonologist. He is clinically active in pulmonary and critical care medicine. He provides care to patients with a variety of lung diseases, and has a special interest in the treatment of patients with asthma. He is committed to providing high quality comprehensive care to his patients and is actively involved in clinical trials.

Wael ElMaraachli, MD
Pulmonologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Critical Care, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Asthma

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, Spanish

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

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

Bio:
Wael ElMaraachli, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist focusing on diagnosis and treatment of non-tuberculous mycobacterial (NTM) lung infections, latent and active tuberculosis (TB) and bronchiectasis. He is also a board-certified critical care specialist and treats patients in intensive care.
Timothy J. Floreth, MD
Pulmonologist

Specialties:
Pulmonology (Lung), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Lung Transplantation

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (855) 355-5864
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices (Pulmonology): (858) 355-5864
Direct Clinic Line - Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center: (858) 657-5050
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6303

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.

Andrew Ries, MD, MPH
Pulmonologist
Associate Vice Chancellor, UC San Diego Health Sciences
Academic Affairs
Professor of Medicine
Professor of Family and Preventive Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialty:
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-2000

Bio:
Andrew Ries, MD, MPH serves as associate vice chancellor for Academic Affairs for UC San Diego Health Sciences. He has directed UC San Diego’s pulmonary rehabilitation program for over 30 years, promoting pulmonary rehabilitation as a standard of care for patients with disabling lung disease.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (cont.)

Xavier Soler, MD, PhD
Pulmonologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialty:**
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

**Add'l Languages:**
Catalan, French, Spanish

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (844) 757-5337

**Bio:**
Xavier Soler, MD, PhD, specializes in pulmonology and sleep medicine and is the medical director of the pulmonary rehabilitation program and associate director of the UC San Diego Clinical Trials & Airway Research Center. He specializes in the diagnosis, treatment and management of chronic lung diseases, including chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and asthma.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Critical Care

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

Add'l Language:
Farsi

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
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Bio:
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Praveen Akuthota, MD
Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Asthma, Critical Care

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

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Bio:
Praveen Akuthota, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist who treats all types of asthma as well as eosinophilic pulmonary disease, including eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis (Churg-Strauss syndrome), allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis, and eosinophilic pneumonia. Eosinophilic lung disorders involve an increased number of eosinophils (white blood cells) in the lungs. These white blood cells are part of the immune system and fight off allergic or chemical reactions and some infections.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Critical Care (cont.)

George Z. Cheng, MD, PhD
Interventional Pulmonologist
Medical Director, Interventional Pulmonary, Bronchoscopy and Pleural Services
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Pulmonology (Lung), Cancer
Subspecialties:
Interventional Pulmonology, Lung Cancer, Critical Care
Add'l Language:
Mandarin

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5840
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
George Cheng, MD, PhD, is a board-certified pulmonologist who specializes in interventional pulmonology. He performs minimally invasive procedures for diagnosis and treatment of lung and pleural diseases. These include malignant and benign diseases of the lung, such as lung cancer, sarcoidosis, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), pulmonary fibrosis and other conditions. Dr. Cheng specializes in treating airway problems such as airway tumors, airway narrowing, asthma, COPD, and pleural disease (i.e. fluid around the lung) with minimally invasive approaches. He serves as the medical director of interventional pulmonary, bronchoscopy and pleural services.

Daniel R. Crouch, MD
Pulmonologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)
Subspecialities:
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Critical Care, Asthma

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

Bio:
Daniel Crouch, MD is a board-certified pulmonologist. He is clinically active in pulmonary and critical care medicine. He provides care to patients with a variety of lung diseases, and has a special interest in the treatment of patients with asthma. He is committed to providing high quality comprehensive care to his patients and is actively involved in clinical trials.

Wael ElMaraachli, MD
Pulmonologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)
Subspecialities:
Critical Care, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Asthma
Add'l Languages:
Arabic, Spanish

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

Bio:
Wael ElMaraachli, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist focusing on diagnosis and treatment of non-tuberculosis mycobacterial (NTM) lung infections, latent and active tuberculosis (TB) and bronchiectasis. He is also a board-certified critical care specialist and treats patients in intensive care.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Critical Care (cont.)

Phillip H. Factor, DO, FCCP
Pulmonologist
Associate Chief Medical Officer, Inpatient Operations

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)
Subspecialty:
Critical Care

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Phillip Factor, DO, MHL, is a board-certified pulmonologist and critical care physician who specializes in treating patients in the intensive care setting. Dr. Factor also serves as associate chief medical officer of Inpatient Operations at UC San Diego Health. In this role, he coordinates key hospital-based services, including critical care, hospitalist, palliative care and infectious disease services, as well as inpatient flow and capacity.

Timothy M. Fernandes, MD, MPH
Pulmonologist
Assistant Professor

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)
Subspecialties:
Critical Care, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Pulmonary Vascular Disease

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6303

Bio:
Timothy Fernandes, MD, MPH, is a board-certified pulmonologist who focuses on pulmonary vascular disease. He has a special interest in caring for patients who have venous thromboembolism, pulmonary arterial hypertension, and chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension.

Peter F. Fedullo, MD
Director of Medical Intensive Care Unit
Professor of Medicine
UC San Diego Chief of Staff

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)
Subspecialties:
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Critical Care, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7100

Bio:
Peter F. Fedullo is a board-certified pulmonologist. His clinical interests include chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension, acute venous thromboembolism and critical care medicine.
Naveen Gupta, MD
Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician
Associate Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialty:**
Critical Care

**Jacobs Medical Center**
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (844) 757-5337

**Bio:**
Naveen Gupta, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist and critical care physician. His expertise and clinical interests include sepsis, acute lung injury, pulmonary fibrosis, and general pulmonary medicine. Dr. Gupta is committed to providing high-quality, evidenced-based care to all of his patients. He sees individuals in the Intensive Care Unit and on the pulmonary consult service at Jacobs Medical Center and UC San Diego Medical Center, and also provides care at the general pulmonary clinic on Executive Drive.

Jinghong Li, MD, PhD
Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialty:**
Critical Care

**Add'l Language:**
Mandarin

**Jacobs Medical Center**
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

**Contact:**
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Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (844) 757-5337
Direct Clinic Line: (855) 355-5864

**Bio:**
Jinghong Li, MD, PhD, is a board-certified pulmonologist and intensive care specialist who cares for people with diseases related to lungs and breathing. Her areas of expertise include asthma, lung cancer, interstitial lung disease, and treating and managing the care of critically ill patients.

Biren Kamdar, MD, MHS
Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialty:**
Critical Care

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

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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**Bio:**
Biren Kamdar, MD, MBA, MS, MHS, is a board-certified pulmonologist and critical care physician. He cares for adult patients in the Medical Intensive Care Unit (MICU) and those with general lung conditions.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Critical Care (cont.)

Atul Malhotra, MD
Sleep Medicine Specialist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Sleep Medicine, Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Critical Care

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (844) 757-5337

Bio:
Atul Malhotra, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist, intensivist and research chief of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine. He is active clinically in pulmonary, critical care and sleep medicine. In the sleep clinic, Dr. Malhotra provides a full spectrum of diagnostic and therapeutic services to patients with sleep-related disorders, including sleep apnea, insomnia, restless leg syndrome, narcolepsy and sleep disorders associated with medical or psychiatric conditions. He has a special interest in the treatment of sleep apnea.

Matthew Nobari, MD
Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Critical Care, Interventional Pulmonology

Add'l Language:
Farsi

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5840

Bio:
Matthew Nobari, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist and intensivist. He provides care to patients with a variety of diseases including, but not limited to, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), asthma, interstitial lung disease, lung cancer, sepsis, and acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS). He is committed to providing comprehensive care to all of his patients.

Philippe R. Montgrain, MD
Assistant Professor

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialty:
Critical Care

Add'l Language:
French

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

Bio:

Jeremy E. Orr, MD
Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialty:
Critical Care

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (844) 757-5337

Bio:
Jeremy E. Orr, MD, is a board-certified pulmonary and critical care physician who specializes in hypoventilation disorders, neuromuscular respiratory weakness, chronic lung disease, non-invasive ventilation management and critical care medicine.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Critical Care (cont.)

**Robert Owens, MD**
Sleep Medicine Specialist  
Associate Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Sleep Medicine, Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialty:**  
Critical Care

**La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (844) 757-5337

**Bio:**  
Robert Owens, MD, is a board-certified sleep medicine and critical care doctor. He is clinically active in critical care, pulmonary and sleep medicine, caring for patients with acute respiratory conditions and sleep disorders. In the Sleep Medicine Center, he provides a full spectrum of therapeutic and diagnostic services for people who have sleep related disorders such as narcolepsy, insomnia, sleep apnea and rapid eye movement (REM) behavior disorder.

**Demosthenes (Demos) Papamatheakis, MD**
Pulmonologist  
Associate Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**  
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialties:**  
Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Critical Care

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

**La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive**  
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7100

**Bio:**  
Demosthenes (Demos) Papamatheakis, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist and intensive care specialist. His clinical interests include pulmonary vascular disease, with a focus in pulmonary arterial hypertension, chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension and critical care medicine.
Venktesh Ramnath, MD
Pulmonologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)
Subspecialty:
Critical Care
Add'l Languages:
Sankethi, Spanish

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Venktesh Ramnath, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist who treats patients with lung disease primarily in intensive care unit and hospital settings. He serves as medical director of critical care telemedicine outreach, using digital technology to evaluate, diagnose and treat ICU patients who are located far from a UC San Diego Health facility.

Alexandra Rose, MD
Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)
Subspecialty:
Critical Care

Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Alexandra Rose, MD, is a board-certified lung doctor who specializes in treating seriously ill or injured patients with a wide range of conditions in the intensive care setting.

Rebecca Sell, MD
Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)
Subspecialty:
Critical Care

Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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Bio:
Rebecca Sell, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist and critical care physician. She treats people with chronic lung disease and cares for patients in the Intensive Care Unit. Dr. Sell also is the associate program director for internal medicine at UC San Diego Health as well as medical director of resuscitation.

Gordon Yung, MD
Pulmonologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Pulmonology (Lung), Transplantation
Subspecialties:
Critical Care, Lung Transplantation
Add'l Language:
Cantonese

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-5050

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.
Pulmonology (Lung) - Interventional Pulmonology

George Z. Cheng, MD, PhD
Interventional Pulmonologist
Medical Director, Interventional Pulmonary, Bronchoscopy and Pleural Services
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Pulmonology (Lung), Cancer

Subspecialties:
Interventional Pulmonology, Lung Cancer, Critical Care

Add'l Language:
Mandarin

Jacobs Medical Center
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Bio:
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Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Critical Care, Interventional Pulmonology

Add'l Language:
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Pulmonology (Lung) - Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

Thao Dracar, MS, ANP-BC, CNS
Certified Adult Nurse Practitioner

**Specialty:**
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialties:**
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

**Add'l Language:**
Vietnamese

**Contact:**
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7100

**Bio:**
Thao Dracar, MS, is a board-certified adult nurse practitioner (ANP-BC) and clinical nurse specialist (CNS) who treats patients with chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (CTEPH). She helps manage the complex care of patients who are undergoing pulmonary thromboendarterectomy (PTE) surgery and balloon pulmonary angioplasty (BPA).

Peter F. Fedullo, MD
Director of Medical Intensive Care Unit
Professor of Medicine
UC San Diego Chief of Staff

**Specialty:**
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialties:**
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Critical Care, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

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**Bio:**
Peter F. Fedullo is a board-certified pulmonologist. His clinical interests include chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension, acute venous thromboembolism and critical care medicine.

Timothy M. Fernandes, MD, MPH
Pulmonologist
Assistant Professor

**Specialty:**
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialties:**
Critical Care, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Pulmonary Vascular Disease

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**Bio:**
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Kim M. Kerr, MD  
Professor of Medicine  
Vice Chief, Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine  

Specialty:  
Pulmonology (Lung)  

Subspecialties:  
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)  

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Jacobs Medical Center  

Contact:  
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Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7100  

Bio:  
Kim M. Kerr, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist. Her clinical and research interests are in chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension and critical care. Dr. Kerr attends on the pulmonary thromboendarterectomy (PTE), the ICU, and pulmonary consult services. She is involved in both inpatient and outpatient clinical trials studying pulmonary vascular disease and critical care medicine.

Nick H. Kim, MD  
Pulmonologist  
Director, Pulmonary Vascular Medicine  
Professor of Medicine  

Specialty:  
Pulmonology (Lung)  

Subspecialties:  
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)  

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Bio:  
Nick Kim, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist and director of the pulmonary vascular medicine program at UC San Diego Health. He specializes in the treatment of people with pulmonary hypertension and chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (CTEPH). Dr. Kim serves as medical director of the Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy Program. He also has expertise in using balloon pulmonary angioplasty to treat CTEPH.
Demosthenes (Demos) Papamatheakis, MD  
Pulmonologist  
Associate Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:** Pulmonology (Lung)  
**Subspecialties:** Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Critical Care  
**Add'l Languages:** French, Greek

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**Bio:**  
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David Poch, MD  
Director, Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension  
Associate Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:** Pulmonology (Lung)  
**Subspecialties:** Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)  
**Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**  
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

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**Bio:**  
David Poch, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist with a special focus in caring for patients with pulmonary vascular disease. He directs the pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) treatment program, and has expertise in providing diagnosis and treatment for chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (CTEPH) and pulmonary embolism. UC San Diego Health is an internationally recognized center for treating all forms of pulmonary hypertension.
Melissa D. Stinson, MS, ANP-BC, CCRN
Certified Adult Nurse Practitioner

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
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Bio:
Melissa Stinson, MS, is a board-certified adult nurse practitioner (ANP-BC),
clinical nurse specialist (CNS) and critical care registered nurse (CCRN)
who treats people with chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension
(CTEPH). She manages the complex care of patients who are undergoing
pulmonary thromboendarterectomy (PTE) surgery and balloon pulmonary
angioplasty (BPA).
Pulmonology (Lung) - Pulmonary Vascular Disease

Angela Bautista, MS, PA-C

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialty:
Pulmonary Vascular Disease

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
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Bio:
Angela Bautista, MS, is a certified physician assistant (PA-C) who treats patients with chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (CTEPH). As part of the care team, she helps evaluate, plan and implement treatments for individuals with CTEPH in both the hospital and outpatient setting.

Thao Drcar, MS, ANP-BC, CNS

Certified Adult Nurse Practitioner

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)
Add'l Language:
Vietnamese

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Thao Drcar, MS, is a certified adult nurse practitioner (ANP-BC) and clinical nurse specialist (CNS) who treats patients with chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (CTEPH). She helps manage the complex care of patients who are undergoing pulmonary thromboendarterectomy (PTE) surgery and balloon pulmonary angioplasty (BPA).

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Director of Medical Intensive Care Unit
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Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Critical Care, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

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Bio:
Peter F. Fedullo is a board-certified pulmonologist. His clinical interests include chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension, acute venous thromboembolism and critical care medicine.

Timothy M. Fernandes, MD, MPH

Pulmonologist
Assistant Professor

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Critical Care, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Pulmonary Vascular Disease

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
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Bio:
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Professor of Medicine
Vice Chief, Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Jacobs Medical Center

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Bio:
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Nick H. Kim, MD
Pulmonologist
Director, Pulmonary Vascular Medicine
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialties:
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
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Bio:
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Jess Mandel, MD
Pulmonologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)

Subspecialty:
Pulmonary Vascular Disease

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7150

Bio:
Dr. Mandel's clinical interests include pulmonary vascular disease, critical care medicine, and hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia. He has authored two textbooks and a number of scholarly articles related to pulmonary and critical care medicine.
Timothy Morris, MD
Pulmonologist
Medical Director, Pulmonary Function and Exercise Lab
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)
Subspecialty:
Pulmonary Vascular Disease

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

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

Bio:
Timothy Morris, MD, is a board certified pulmonologist. He has a special interest in caring for patients with life-threatening pulmonary embolism and thromboembolic disease.

Demosthenes (Demos) Papamatheakis, MD
Pulmonologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)
Subspecialties:
Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Critical Care

Add'l Languages:
French, Greek

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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Bio:
Demosthenes (Demos) Papamatheakis, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist and intensive care specialist. His clinical interests include pulmonary vascular disease, with a focus in pulmonary arterial hypertension, chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension and critical care medicine.

David Poch, MD
Director, Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Pulmonology (Lung)
Subspecialties:
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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Bio:
David Poch, MD, is a board-certified pulmonologist with a special focus in caring for patients with pulmonary vascular disease. He directs the pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) treatment program, and has expertise in providing diagnosis and treatment for chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (CTEPH) and pulmonary embolism. UC San Diego Health is an internationally recognized center for treating all forms of pulmonary hypertension.
Melissa D. Stinson, MS, ANP-BC, CCRN
Certified Adult Nurse Practitioner

**Specialty:**
Pulmonology (Lung)

**Subspecialties:**
Pulmonary Vascular Disease, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

**Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**
**Jacobs Medical Center**

**Contact:**
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**Bio:**
Melissa Stinson, MS, is a board-certified adult nurse practitioner (ANP-BC), clinical nurse specialist (CNS) and critical care registered nurse (CCRN) who treats people with chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (CTEPH). She manages the complex care of patients who are undergoing pulmonary thromboendarterectomy (PTE) surgery and balloon pulmonary angioplasty (BPA).
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