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La Jolla, CA 92037

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8910 Villa La Jolla Drive  
La Jolla, CA 92037

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4520 Executive Drive, Suite Plaza 1  
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9350 Campus Point Drive  
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Shiley Eye Institute  
9415 Campus Point Drive  
La Jolla, CA 92037  
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

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9350 Campus Point Drive  
La Jolla, CA 92037

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

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

## Encinitas

Includes **Encinitas Express Care (Suite 110)**  
1200 Garden View Road  
Encinitas, CA 92024  
477 North El Camino Real  
Encinitas, CA 92024

## College Area

6719 Alvarado Road, Suite 302  
San Diego, CA 92120

## Downtown

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

## Vista

910 Sycamore Avenue  
Vista, CA 92081

## Sorrento Valley

4910 Directors Place  
San Diego, CA 92121

## Scripps Ranch

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

## Kearny Mesa

7910 Frost Street  
San Diego, CA 92123

## Chula Vista

959 Lane Avenue  
Chula Vista, CA 91914

## Temecula

31720 Temecula Parkway, Suite 100  
Temecula, CA 92592
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Neurology

Neurology is the branch of medicine that is concerned with the study and treatment of disorders of the nervous system. Learn more about [neurology](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health System.

**James B Brewer, MD, PhD**  
Director of Human Memory Lab  
Professor of Radiology and Neurosciences

**Specialty:**  
Neurology

**Jacobs Medical Center**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 552-8585

**Bio:**  
Dr. Brewer is interested in advanced methods for detecting clinically significant memory impairment. This includes application of recent UC San Diego developments in brain MRI analysis.

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**Ronald Joseph Ellis, MD, PhD**  
Neurologist  
Professor of Neurosciences

**Specialties:**  
Neurology, HIV/AIDS

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**  
**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3500  
Direct Clinic Line - Owen Clinic: (619) 543-3995

**Bio:**  
Ronald J. Ellis, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in adult neurological diagnosis and treatment for patients with HIV or AIDS. He is the only specialist in the neurology of HIV/AIDS in the San Diego area and also receives referrals from throughout California.

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**Anastasie Dunn-Pirio, MD**  
Neurologist

**Specialty:**  
Neurology

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**  
**Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-3500  
Direct Clinic Line - Rancho Bernardo: (858) 605-4447

**Bio:**  
Anastasie Dunn-Pirio, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who treats patients with general neurology disorders, as well as multiple sclerosis and other neuroimmunological disorders. She is also interested in the neurologic complications of cancer and cancer therapy.

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**Sean J. Evans, MD**  
Neurology Core Clerkship Director  
Associate Clinical Professor  
Mind, Brain, and Behavior Co-Director  
Neurosciences Education Committee Chair

**Specialty:**  
Neurology

**La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

**Bio:**  
Dr. Evans is a general clinical neurologist with broad experience in the clinical and electrophysiologic diagnosis and care of patients with neurologic disorders. He is the Director of the Neurology Core Clinical Clerkship, Co-Director of the Mind, Brain, and Behavior Core Course, and Director of the UC San Diego Medical Center Urgent Neurology clinic.
Neurology (cont.)

Douglas Galasko, MD
Professor of Neurosciences
Specialty: Neurology
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540
Bio:
Dr. Galasko is board-certified in neurology, with special expertise in memory disorders, Alzheimer's diseases, and unusual neurological conditions such as dementia with Lewy bodies and frontotemporal dementia.

Jennifer Graves, MD, PhD
Neurologist
Associate Professor of Neurosciences
Specialty: Neurology
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540
Bio:
Jennifer Graves, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who treats adults and children. She partners with patients, families and the multiple sclerosis clinical team to provide comprehensive care for people of all ages. Specialty care tracks are offered for children and pregnant women with multiple sclerosis.

Jeffrey H. Gertsch, MD
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences
Specialty: Neurology
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Betul M. Gundogdu, MD
Neurologist
Specialty: Neurology
Add'l Language: Turkish
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-3500
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8540
Bio:
Betul Gundogdu, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who cares for patients with neuromuscular disorders such as ALS (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis or Lou Gehrig's disease), myasthenia gravis, inflammatory neuropathies and muscular dystrophies. She serves as director of electromyography (EMG) laboratory and electrodiagnostic services at UC San Diego Health.
Neurology (cont.)

Vicente Iragui-Madoz, MD, PhD
Director, Clinical Neurophysiology and UCSD Epilepsy Center
Professor

Specialty:
Neurology

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
UC San Diego Health Links

Chamindra Konersman, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
Chamindra Konersman, MD, is a board-certified neurologist at UC San Diego Health. She provides general neurological care to people with a range of neurologic conditions, with an emphasis on neuromuscular diseases. She sees patients with conditions including, inclusion body myositis, Guillain-Barre syndrome, myasthenia gravis, Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease, periodic paralysis, and all muscular dystrophies.

Revere (Rip) Kinkel, MD
Neurologist
Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3500

Bio:
Revere (Rip) Kinkel, MD, is a board-certified, internationally recognized neurologist and multiple sclerosis (MS) expert. He is devoted to improving the diagnosis and care for people with MS and related disorders such as transverse myelitis; optic neuritis; neuromyelitis optica; autoimmune encephalitis; and systemic immune disorders that affect the central nervous system, including sarcoidosis and lupus. Dr. Kinkel directs the multiple sclerosis program at UC San Diego Health and leads the program's clinical, research, and educational efforts within the Department of Neurosciences.

Stuart Lipton, MD, PhD
Neurologist
Adjunct Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
Stuart Lipton, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in neurodegenerative diseases. A neuroscientist and world-renowned expert in dementia, Dr. Lipton is best known for developing the FDA-approved memantine (Namenda®, NamendaXR®, Namzaric®), the first drug in a novel class of medications used to treat moderate-to-severe Alzheimer's disease.
Neurology (cont.)

William C. Mobley, MD, PhD
Chair, Department of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology

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

Bio:
Dr. Mobley has received numerous honors and awards, among them both the Zenith and Temple Awards for Research in Alzheimer’s Disease from the Alzheimer’s Association, the Cotzias Award from the American Academy of Neurology and the Christian Pueschel Memorial Award for Research in Down Syndrome from the National Down Syndrome Congress.

David Piccioni, MD, PhD
Neuro-oncologist
Assistant Professor of Neuroscience

Specialties:
Cancer, Neurology
Subspecialty:
Neurological Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6346

Bio:
David Piccioni, MD, PhD, is a certified neuro-oncologist and board-certified neurologist who specializes in treating primary and metastatic tumors of the brain and nervous system. He also has expertise in treating the neurological complications of cancer and the side effects of brain cancer treatment, such as headaches and seizures.

John Ravits, MD
Neurologist
Professor of Clinical Neurosciences

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

Bio:
John Ravits, MD, is a board certified clinical neurologist specializing in amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), motor neuron diseases, neuromuscular disorders, and clinical neurophysiology. Dr. Ravits is the director of the ALS clinic at UC San Diego Health and vice chair of adult neurology and the neurological sciences.

Jeremy N. Rich, MD, MHS
Neuro-oncologist
Professor of Medicine

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

Bio:
Jeremy Rich, MD, MHS, MBA, is a certified neuro-oncologist and renowned physician-scientist who specializes in diagnosing and treating brain tumors, including gliomas (e.g. glioblastoma, astrocytoma, brainstem glioma, ependymoma, and oligodendroglioma) and brain metastases. As part of a multidisciplinary approach, Dr. Rich works closely with neurosurgeons and medical and radiation oncologists to provide comprehensive treatment plans unique to each patient.
Evelyn Tecoma, MD, PhD  
Chief of Neurology, Thornton Hospital  
Professor  

**Specialty:**  
Neurology  

**La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive**  

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540  

**Bio:**  
In 1991, Dr. Tecoma was recruited to serve as Associate Director of the UC San Diego Epilepsy Center, a busy tertiary referral center, epilepsy monitoring unit, and comprehensive epilepsy surgery program.

Erik S. Viirre, MD, PHD  
Professor (Adjunct)  

**Specialty:**  
Neurology  

**Add'l Language:**  
French  

**Jacobs Medical Center**  

**Hilcrest - Medical Offices North**  
**La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive**  

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

**Bio:**  
Dr. Viirre specializes in neurotology (diagnosis and outpatient treatment of vertigo, balance disorders, and tinnitus). He has been with the UC San Diego Department of Neurosciences since 2006 and the Department of Surgery, Division of Head and Neck Surgery since 1998. A member of numerous scientific boards, Dr. Viirre is also an Research Professor in the UC San Diego Department of Cognitive Science and a research associate of the US Navy Naval Medical Center San Diego.

Mark H Tuszynski, MD, PhD  
Professor  

**Specialty:**  
Neurology  

**Jacobs Medical Center**  

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

**Bio:**  
Dr. Tuszynski is currently conducting research in the fields of Alzheimer's Disease, and Spinal cord injury. He has had more than 120 scientific publications in these areas.
Neurology - Dementia

Jody Corey-Bloom, MD, PhD
Professor Emeritus of Neurosciences
Neurologist

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Dementia

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 246-1288

Bio:
Jody Corey-Bloom, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in dementia and neurodegenerative conditions associated with Alzheimer’s disease, Huntington’s disease and multiple sclerosis. She has more than 20 years of experience treating multiple sclerosis and has cared for individuals with the most difficult cases and those with limited means.

Shauna Yuan, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Dementia
Add'l Language:
Mandarin

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
Shauna Yuan, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in caring for patients with memory disorders and dementia, including Alzheimer’s disease, Frontotemporal dementia, Lewy body dementia and Parkinson’s disease.

Gabriel Léger, MD
Neurologist

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Dementia
Add'l Language:
French

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
Gabriel Léger, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in Alzheimer’s disease and related disorders. He has expertise in the diagnosis and treatment of atypical or focal dementias, including frontotemporal dementia (FTD), primary progressive aphasia, posterior cortical atrophy, and dementia with Lewy bodies including Parkinson’s disease dementia.
Neurology - Epilepsy

Leena Raj Kansal, MD  
Neurologist  
Associate Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:  
Neurology  
Subspecialty:  
Epilepsy  
Add'l Language:  
Spanish  

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive  
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3500  

Bio:  
Leena Kansal, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in epilepsy. Her care focuses on the evaluation and treatment people with recurrent seizures and seizure disorders.

Olivia Kim McManus, MD  
Neurologist  
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:  
Neurology  
Subspecialty:  
Epilepsy  
Add'l Languages:  
Korean, Spanish  

Jacobs Medical Center  

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

Bio:  
Olivia Kim McManus, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in treating infants, children, and adolescents with neurological disorders, especially epilepsy and medically refractory epilepsy (when the condition does not respond to medication). Her expertise includes clinical neurophysiology and epilepsy surgery, i.e. invasive intracranial electroencephalography (EEG) monitoring and intraoperative electrocorticography.
Neurology - Epilepsy (cont.)

David J. Lee, MD, PhD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Epilepsy
Add'l Language:
Korean

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8540
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Bio:
David J. Lee, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who treats seizures and epilepsy, including epilepsy that does not respond to medication.

Jerry J. Shih, MD
Director, Epilepsy Center
Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Epilepsy
Add'l Language:
Mandarin

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
Jerry Shih, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating people with epilepsy. He directs UC San Diego Health's Level 4 Epilepsy Center, which provides the highest level of care to people with epilepsy and other seizure disorders, and is the only nationally designated epilepsy center in the region. The Comprehensive Epilepsy Program offers state-of-the-art neurodiagnostic monitoring and neuroimaging for diagnosing complex epilepsy conditions, and advanced medical and surgical treatment options. Dr. Shih's expertise also includes managing the care of patients with refractory epilepsy, or seizures that are not controlled with medications.
Neurology - Epilepsy (cont.)

June Yoshii-Contreras, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Epilepsy
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8540
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-3500

Bio:
June Yoshii-Contreras, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating people with epilepsy. She takes a holistic approach in helping patients deal with the challenges that are common in the epilepsy population in order to improve their overall quality of life. Her clinical interests involve treating complex epilepsy patients with medications, surgery and implanted neuro-stimulation devices.
Neurology - Headache

Hossein Ansari, MD
Neurologist

**Specialty:**
Neurology

**Subspecialty:**
Headache

**Add'l Languages:**
Farsi, Turkish/Azeri

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

**Bio:**
Hossein Ansari, MD, is a board-certified neurologist and certified headache specialist who specializes in diagnosing and treating headaches and facial pain. He is highly experienced in caring for people with migraines, “cluster” headaches and trigeminal neuralgia.

Suzan Khoromi, MD
Neurologist

**Specialty:**
Neurology

**Subspecialty:**
Headache

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

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-3500
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8540

**Bio:**
Suzan Khoromi, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating headaches and facial pain. She is highly experienced in caring for people with migraines, “cluster” headaches and trigeminal neuralgia.

Imanuel Lerman, MD
Pain Management Specialist
Associate Professor of Anesthesiology

**Specialties:**
Pain Management, Neurology

**Subspecialty:**
Headache

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-3800

**Bio:**
Imanuel Lerman, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in pain management. As a pain management specialist, Dr. Lerman evaluates, diagnoses and treats all forms of pain, including acute, chronic and cancer pain. He has extensive experience in ultrasound guidance for interventional pain procedures and interventional headache treatment, teaching and speaking nationally on these subjects.

Nathaniel M. Schuster, MD
Pain Management Specialist and Headache Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology

**Specialties:**
Pain Management, Neurology

**Subspecialty:**
Headache

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-3800

**Bio:**
Nathaniel M. Schuster, MD, is a board-certified neurologist and pain and headache specialist. He sees people with all types of chronic pain, with a special focus on spine pain and headache.
Sara S. Siavoshi, DO
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurology

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Headache
Add'l Language:
Farsi

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
Sara Siavoshi, DO, is a board-certified neurologist who treats headaches, migraines, traumatic brain injury and general neurological conditions. She performs procedures such as Botox injections, nerve blocks and trigger point injections. In addition, her research interests include migraines and facial pain.
Neurology - Movement Disorders

**Dominic Ferrey, MD**  
Neurologist

**Specialty:**  
Neurology  
**Subspecialty:**  
Movement Disorders  
**Add'l Language:**  
Spanish

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540  
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-3500

**Bio:**  
Dominic Ferry, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in neuromuscular conditions such as Lou Gehrig’s disease (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis [ALS]), myasthenia gravis, chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy (CIDP), amyloid neuropathy and muscle diseases.

**Stephanie Lessig, MD**  
Neurologist  
Associate Professor of Neurosciences

**Specialty:**  
Neurology  
**Subspecialty:**  
Movement Disorders

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

**Bio:**  
Stephanie Lessig, MD, is a board-certified neurologist with UC San Diego Health and the VA San Diego Healthcare System. She regularly sees people with Parkinson’s disease and other movement disorders, such as dystonia and ataxia. Dr. Lessig specializes in both deep brain stimulation and the administration of botulinum toxin.
Bio:
Irene Litvan, MD, is a board-certified neurologist and director of the Parkinson and Other Movement Disorders Center at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Litvan treats and diagnoses individuals with Parkinson's disease, progressive supranuclear palsy, dementia with Lewy bodies, corticobasal degeneration, multiple system atrophy, Huntington's disease, essential tremor and frontotemporal dementias.

Bio:
Fatta Nahab, MD, is a board-certified neurologist and director of the neuroimaging program at UC San Diego Health's Movement Disorder Center. Dr. Nahab specializes in neurological movement disorders and their causes, and diagnoses and treats people with essential tremor, Parkinson's disease and atypical parkinsonism, ataxia, and dystonia. He also provides treatment for people with symptoms such as myoclonus, walking problems and imbalance.

Bio:
Brenton Wright, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who treats people with movement disorders, including Parkinson's disease, dystonia, tremor, ataxia, chorea, tics, tardive syndromes and other rare diseases.
Neurology - Neurocritical Care

Cynthia G. González, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology

Subspecialties:
Neurocritical Care, Stroke

Additional Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Cynthia Gonzalez, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who takes care of patients with life-threatening neurological and neurosurgical illnesses such as massive stroke, subarachnoid hemorrhage, intracerebral hemorrhage, subdural hemorrhage, intraventricular hemorrhage, brain tumors, brain trauma, status epilepticus (severe epilepsy), nerve and muscle diseases, spinal cord disorders and the cardiopulmonary complications of brain injury.

Navaz Karanjia, MD
Medical Director, Neurointensive Care Unit
Associate Professor of Neurosciences and Anesthesiology

Specialties:
Neurology, Stroke Care

Subspecialty:
Neurocritical Care

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6291

Bio:
Navaz Karanjia, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in caring for people with life-threatening diseases of brain, spinal cord and nerves. She is medical director of UC San Diego Health's Neurocritical Care Program and Neuro-Intensive Care Unit (ICU), which she also founded. The Neuro-ICU team provides around-the-clock expert care, seven days a week, to critically ill patients who may have severe brain injury, stroke or brain tumors, or may be recovering from a neurosurgical procedure.

Jamie Labuzetta, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology

Subspecialty:
Neurocritical Care

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6291

Bio:
Jamie Labuzetta, MD, is a board-certified neurologist and neurocritical care specialist who treats patients with acute neurological emergencies requiring intensive care. These patients may have severe brain injury, stroke or brain tumors, or are recovering from a neurosurgical procedure.
Neurology - Stroke

Kunal Agrawal, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspeciality:
Stroke

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
Kunal Agrawal, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in vascular neurology and stroke treatment. He focuses on the spectrum of stroke care, including stroke prevention, acute ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke, and post-acute stroke care.

Jonathan D. Bui, MD, PhD
Neurologist
Associate Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspeciality:
Stroke
Add'l Languages:
Spanish, Vietnamese

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540

Bio:
Jonathan Bui, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist who specializes in the development of magnetic resonance techniques to facilitate the diagnosis and treatment of neurological diseases. He cares for both children and adults with neurological diseases and spends the majority of his clinical time focused on neuroimaging and cerebrovascular medicine.

Cynthia G. González, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialties:
Neurocritical Care, Stroke
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Cynthia Gonzalez, MD, is a board-certified neurologist who takes care of patients with life-threatening neurological and neurosurgical illnesses such as massive stroke, subarachnoid hemorrhage, intracerebral hemorrhage, subdural hemorrhage, intraventricular hemorrhage, brain tumors, brain trauma, status epilepticus (severe epilepsy), nerve and muscle diseases, spinal cord disorders and the cardiopulmonary complications of brain injury.
Neurology - Stroke (cont.)

Thomas Hemmen, MD, PhD
Vascular Neurologist
Director, Stroke Center
Professor of Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurology, Stroke Care

Subspecialty:
Stroke

Add'l Language:
German

Bio:
Thomas Hemmen, MD, PhD, is a board-certified vascular neurologist. His expertise includes caring for patients with stroke, cerebrovascular diseases, and those who require neurological critical care. Dr. Hemmen directs the stroke center at UC San Diego Health and was instrumental in establishing the center as the first certified Stroke Center of Excellence in San Diego County.

Branko Huisa-Garate, MD
Vascular Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology

Subspecialty:
Stroke

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Bio:
Branko Huisa-Garate, MD, is a board-certified vascular neurologist who specializes in treating cerebrovascular diseases such as acute ischemic stroke, cerebrovascular malformations, vascular dementia and vascular cognitive impairment.
Neurology - Stroke (cont.)

Brett C Meyer, MD
Co-Director, UCSD Stroke Center
Professor of Clinical Neurosciences
Medical Director, UCSD Enterprise Telemedicine

Specialties:
Neurology, Stroke Care

Subspeciality:
Stroke

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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

Bio:
Brett C. Meyer, MD, is a neurologist at UC San Diego Medical Center, Co-Director of the UC San Diego Stroke Center, and Medical Director for UC San Diego Enterprise Telemedicine. He specializes in acute cerebrovascular disease therapies and technological evaluation and treatment techniques.

Royya Modir, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurology, Stroke Care

Subspeciality:
Stroke

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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

Bio:
Royya Modir, MD, is a board-certified neurologist specializing in vascular neurology and the treatment of stroke. Her focus is on treatment strategies for stroke prevention and using thrombolytics for the treatment of acute stroke.

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

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Neurology, Stroke Care

Subspecialties:
Endovascular Neurosurgery, Stroke

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

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.
Pediatrics

Pediatrics is the branch of medicine concerned with children’s health and the prevention and treatment of illnesses in children. Learn more about [pediatrics](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health System.

**Bruce A. Barshop, MD, PhD**
Professor
Professor of Clinical Pediatrics

**Specialty:**
Pediatrics

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-7800

**Bio:**
My clinical activities focus on inherited disorders of metabolism, and newborn screening. I direct a diagnostic Clinical Biochemical Genetics laboratory. My research activities include clinical trials, metabolomics and stable isotope kinetics.

**Leah M. Bruno, MD**
Primary Care Physician

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

**Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 605-4452

**Bio:**
Leah Bruno, MD, is an internist who provides primary care to adults, including preventive care, and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. Her practice includes the care of children and she has a special interest in adolescent medicine, providing care for teens and older young adults who may consider transitioning to an adult primary care doctor.

**Daniel Edward Lee, MD, PhD**
Anesthesiologist and Pediatric Intensivist
Professor of Anesthesiology and Pediatrics

**Specialties:**
Anesthesiology, Pediatrics

**Subspecialty:**
Critical Care

**Add'l Language:**
Spanish

**Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center**

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

**Bio:**
Daniel E. Lee, MD, PhD, is a board-certified anesthesiologist and pediatrician who provides critical care services and anesthesia for children admitted to UC San Diego Health's [Regional Burn Center](https://health.ucsd.edu), the only burn center in San Diego and Imperial Counties. He also provides anesthesia for patients of all ages at UC San Diego Health hospitals in Hillcrest and La Jolla, and at Rady Children's Hospital.
Lawrence Ma, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
Mandarin

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
Kearny Mesa - Frost Street
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Kearny Mesa: (858) 496-4800
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 203-4962
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 471-9250

Bio:
Lawrence Ma, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician and internal medicine doctor who provides primary care for children, adults and seniors, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. He is a part of UC San Diego Health's pediatrics program, which offers comprehensive care for infants, children and teenagers, through all their developmental stages, in a supportive, family-friendly environment. Specifically, Dr. Ma's areas of care focus on children with complex medical problems and helping them transition to adult care. He also has advanced training in geriatric medicine, and has a special interest in maintaining the health and wellness of older adults as they transition through the stages of aging.

Yvonne Vaucher, MD

Specialty:
Pediatrics

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Lori Wan, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Primary Care, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
Kearny Mesa - Frost Street
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9250
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Lori Wan, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine doctor and pediatrician. She provides primary care for adults, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Pediatrics - Adolescent Medicine

Maya M. Kumar, MD
Pediatrician/Adolescent Medicine Physician

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialties:
Adolescent Medicine, General Pediatrics

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Maya Kumar, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician and adolescent medicine physician who specializes in treating young people ages 10 to 26. She is part of a UC San Diego Health program that gives teens and their families the option of continuing with their pediatrician or transferring to a doctor that specializes in teenagers’ unique physical, social and emotional conditions.

Karen Loper, MD
Pediatrician/Adolescent Medicine Physician

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialties:
Adolescent Medicine, General Pediatrics
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Karen Loper, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who specializes in treating young people ages 10 to 26. She is part of a UC San Diego Health program that gives teens and their families the option of continuing with their pediatrician or transferring to a doctor that specializes in teenagers’ unique physical and mental conditions.
Bret D. Pickering, MD
Director, Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialties:
Complex Care Pediatrics, General Pediatrics
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Bret D. Pickering, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and adolescents through all of their developmental stages. His expertise includes caring for medically fragile children with complex health care needs.
Pediatrics - Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics

Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics is the evaluation and treatment of developmental, learning or behavioral problems in children and adolescents.

Adam Braddock, MD
Pediatrician

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialties:
Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics, General Pediatrics

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 246-0053

Bio:
Adam Braddock, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children, and adolescents through all of their behavioral stages.

Sheila Gahagan, MD, MPH
Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrician
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialty:
Pediatrics
Subspecialty:
Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 246-0053

Bio:
Sheila Gahagan, MD, MPH, is a board-certified developmental-behavioral pediatrician. Developmental-behavioral pediatricians work with families to evaluate, treat, and coordinate care for children with developmental delays, learning disorders, behavioral or mental health concerns. Dr. Gahagan has a special interest in the evaluation and care of infants and toddlers with developmental delay and behavioral concerns. She has particular expertise in infant and toddler regulation disorders (including sleep problems), difficulty feeding, excessive crying and tantrums, attachment disorders, complications of prematurity, and fetal alcohol syndrome. She also cares for many children with autism spectrum disorders and ADHD.
Lauren E. Gist, MD, MPH

Specialty: Pediatrics
Subspecialty: Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics
Add'l Language: Spanish

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 246-0053

Bio:
Lauren Gist, MD, MPH is a board-certified pediatrician who specializes in developmental-behavioral pediatrics. Developmental-behavioral pediatricians work with families to evaluate, treat, and coordinate care for children with developmental delays, behavioral issues, learning difficulties or mental health concerns. Dr. Gist has a special interest in the evaluation and care of young children with behavioral challenges, children with developmental and behavioral concerns associated with genetic conditions, autism, and fetal alcohol spectrum disorders.

Yi Hui Liu, MD, MPH
Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrician
Associate Professor of Pediatrics

Specialty: Pediatrics
Subspecialty: Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 246-0053

Bio:
Yi Hui Liu, MD, MPH is a board-certified developmental-behavioral pediatrician. Developmental-behavioral pediatricians work with families to evaluate, treat, and coordinate care for children with developmental delays, behavioral issues, learning disorders and/or mental health concerns. Dr. Liu has a special interest in the evaluation and care of children with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), autism spectrum disorders, anxiety, intellectual disability, and developmental delays. She has extensive experience collaborating with other developmental services, including psychology, speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, and physical therapy.
Pediatrics - General Pediatrics

Tamantha (Tami) Arlata, MD
Pediatrician

Specialties:
- Pediatrics, Primary Care

Subspecialty:
- General Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
- Tagalog

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

Contact:
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line: (858) 605-4452

Bio:
Tamantha (Tami) Arlata, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who treats infants, children and adolescents with a focus on their growth and overall well-being. She enjoys working in teams with specialists, to aid those with special needs/developmental delays and those with chronic illnesses such as diabetes. She is also well experienced in both the acute and preventive management of asthma.

Adam Braddock, MD
Pediatrician

Specialties:
- Pediatrics, Primary Care

Subspecialties:
- Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics, General Pediatrics

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line: (858) 246-0053

Bio:
Adam Braddock, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children, and adolescents through all of their behavioral stages.

Eyla Boies, MD
Pediatrician
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
- Pediatrics, Primary Care

Subspecialty:
- General Pediatrics

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line - Kearny Mesa: (858) 496-4800
- Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 203-4962

Bio:
Eyla Boies, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and adolescents through all of their developmental stages. Her expertise includes assisting mothers who are experiencing difficulties breastfeeding their newborns.

Robert Coles, MD
Pediatrician

Specialties:
- Pediatrics, Primary Care

Subspecialty:
- General Pediatrics

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

Contact:
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line: (858) 605-4452

Bio:
Robert Coles is a board-certified pediatrician with a special interest in newborn care and pediatric dermatology. He believes that prevention is the key to keeping children healthy, and feels this is best achieved by establishing and maintaining a trusting relationship with parents. He strives to practice evidence-based medicine and care for patients with the latest treatment guidelines and recommendations.
Janet Crow, MD, FAAP  
Pediatrician  
Professor of Pediatrics

**Specialties:**  
Pediatrics, Primary Care

**Subspecialty:**  
General Pediatrics

**Add'l Language:**  
Spanish

**Kearny Mesa - Frost Street**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

**Bio:**  
Janet Crow, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and adolescents through all of their developmental stages. She especially enjoys the relationships with her young patients, and caring for them as they grow and change.

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Sabiha Hussain, MD  
Pediatrician

**Specialties:**  
Pediatrics, Primary Care

**Subspecialty:**  
General Pediatrics

**Add'l Language:**  
Urdu

**Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 605-4452

**Bio:**  
Sabiha Hussain, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician and pediatric infectious disease specialist who provides primary care for infants, children and adolescents through all of their developmental stages.

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Nancy Graff, MD  
Clinical Professor of Pediatrics

**Specialties:**  
Pediatrics, Primary Care

**Subspecialty:**  
General Pediatrics

**Kearny Mesa - Frost Street**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

**Bio:**  
Dr. Graff enjoys caring for children of all ages. Her particular passions are the health of children and youth in foster care and teaching the next generation of pediatricians the importance of community in improving the health of children and their families. "Most of health happens outside of hospitals and doctor's offices. In order to improve the health of children and families, we need to improve the health of our communities and neighborhoods."

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Leah D. Kern, MD, MPH  
Pediatrician  
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics

**Specialties:**  
Pediatrics, Primary Care

**Subspecialties:**  
Travel Medicine, General Pediatrics

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

**Kearny Mesa - Frost Street**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

**Bio:**  
Leah D. Kern, MD, MPH, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for children of all ages. She leads the pediatric travel medicine program, which provides medical advice and vaccinations for children traveling internationally.
Pediatrics - General Pediatrics (cont.)

Maya M. Kumar, MD
Pediatrician/Adolescent Medicine Physician

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialties:
Adolescent Medicine, General Pediatrics

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Maya M. Kumar, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician and adolescent medicine physician who specializes in treating young people ages 10 to 26. She is part of a UC San Diego Health program that gives teens and their families the option of continuing with their pediatrician or transferring to a doctor that specializes in teenagers’ unique physical, social and emotional conditions.

Breanna (Bree) Lustre, MD
Pediatrician

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialty:
General Pediatrics

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 605-4452

Bio:
Breanna Lustre, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and adolescents through all of their developmental stages. She has a special interest in breastfeeding support, childhood nutrition and preventive care.

Karen Loper, MD
Pediatrician/Adolescent Medicine Physician

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialties:
Adolescent Medicine, General Pediatrics
Additional Language:
Spanish

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Karen Loper, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who specializes in treating young people ages 10 to 26. She is part of a UC San Diego Health program that gives teens and their families the option of continuing with their pediatrician or transferring to a doctor that specializes in teenagers’ unique physical and mental conditions.

Bret D. Pickering, MD
Director, Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialties:
Complex Care Pediatrics, General Pediatrics
Additional Language:
Spanish

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Bret D. Pickering, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and adolescents through all of their developmental stages. His expertise includes caring for medically fragile children with complex health care needs.
Vanessa P. Scott, MD, FAAP
Pediatrician

Specialty: Pediatrics
Subspecialty: General Pediatrics

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 203-4962
Direct Clinic Line - Kearny Mesa: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Vanessa Scott, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and young adults up to age 21. She is especially interested in helping with breastfeeding support, nutrition, preventive care and parenting techniques.

Helen C. Wang, MD
Pediatrician

Specialty: Pediatrics
Subspecialty: General Pediatrics
Add'l Language: Mandarin

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - Kearny Mesa: (858) 496-4800
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 203-4962

Bio:
Helen Wang, MD, is a pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and young adults up to age 21. Her expertise includes working with overweight children to help them and their families develop good lifestyle choices, including following a healthy diet and being physically active.

Benjamin Shleifer, MD
Pediatrician

Specialties: Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialty: General Pediatrics

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 605-4452

Bio:
Benjamin Shleifer, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides compassionate, evidence-based primary care to newborns and children up to age 18. He has a special interest in newborn care and helping parents with their infant care questions and concerns. Dr. Shleifer also provides well-check and sick visits, treats injuries; manages chronic pediatric conditions such as asthma, eczema (atopic dermatitis); and treats certain behavioral health conditions, such as attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).

O. Douglas Wilson, MD
Pediatrician
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialty: Pediatrics
Subspecialty: General Pediatrics

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - Kearny Mesa: (858) 496-4800
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 203-4962

Bio:
O. Douglas Wilson, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for infants, children and young adults up to age 21. He has experience in child development, pediatric cardiology, and pediatric dermatology.
Erika F. Fernandez, MD
Director, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
Associate Professor of Pediatrics

Specialty:
Pediatrics
Subspecialty:
Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-5800

Bio:
Erika F. Fernandez, MD, is a board-certified neonatologist. She directs UC San Diego Health’s nationally recognized Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), which provides specialized and emergency care for babies who are born premature, critically ill, or with complex health conditions.

Krishelle Leong Marc-Aurele, MD
Associate Professor of Pediatrics

Specialty:
Pediatrics
Subspecialty:
Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-5800

Bio:
Krishelle Leong Marc-Aurele, MD, is a board-certified neonatologist who provides specialized and emergency care for babies who are born prematurely, critically ill or with complex health conditions. In addition to caring for babies in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at Jacobs Medical Center, she also cares for seriously ill children of all ages in a palliative care clinic at Rady Children’s Hospital.

Jae H. Kim, MD, PhD
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialty:
Pediatrics
Subspecialty:
Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 249-5800

Bio:
UC San Diego Health Links

Lawrence (Lance) Prince, MD, PhD
Division Chief of Neonatology
Associate Professor of Pediatrics

Specialty:
Pediatrics
Subspecialty:
Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-5800

Bio:
Lawrence (Lance) S. Prince, MD, PhD, is a board-certified pediatrician and neonatal-perinatal medicine specialist. Dr. Prince is the Division Chief of Neonatology at the University of California, San Diego and Rady Children’s Hospital, San Diego. He has a particular clinical interest in managing and treating neonatal lung diseases, especially bronchopulmonary dysplasia (BPD) in babies born extremely preterm.
Evan Snyder, MD, PhD
Professor, Sanford-Burnham Medical Research Institute
Director, Stem Cell and Regenerative Biology Program

Specialty:
Pediatrics

Subspecialty:
Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine

Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 249-5800

Bio:
Dr. Snyder earned his MD and his PhD in neuroscience from the University of Pennsylvania in 1980. He completed residencies in pediatrics and neurology at Children's Hospital-Boston, Harvard Medical School and postdoctoral research at Harvard Medical School.
Pediatrics - Newborn Hospital Care

Pediatric hospitalists care for newborns in the hospital setting only. They may provide care ranging from normal newborn care to emergent stabilization and resuscitation, if necessary. Pediatric Hospitalists also provide parents with advice and guidance about lactation and any other questions they may have regarding their newborn. Learn more about Newborn Care at UC San Diego Health.

Eustratia (Tia) Hubbard, MD
Associate Professor of Pediatrics

Specialty:
Pediatrics
Subspecialty:
Newborn Hospital Care

Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Dr. Hubbard is a general pediatrician and newborn hospitalist. She is a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and a member of the Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine.

Kathryn Johnson, MD, FAAP
Pediatrician

Specialty:
Pediatrics
Subspecialty:
Newborn Hospital Care

Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Kathryn Johnson, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who specializes in the care of newborns. As a newborn hospitalist, Dr. Johnson provides care for newborns during their stay in the hospital.

Michelle L. Leff, MD
Newborn Hospitalist and Pediatrician
Associate Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care
Subspecialty:
Newborn Hospital Care
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla Pediatrics: (858) 203-4962

Bio:
Michelle L. Leff, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who specializes in the care of newborns. She also provides primary care for infants, children, and adolescents through all of their life stages. As a newbornhospitalist, Dr. Leff meets with parents and their babies during their postpartum stay in the hospital, providing daily care to infants. This care includes newborn examinations, screening tests and breastfeeding help, including frenotomies.
Pediatrics - Newborn Hospital Care (cont.)

Christopher A. Longhurst, MD, FACMI
Newborn Hospitalist
Chief Information Officer
Associate Chief Medical Officer of Quality and Patient Safety

Specialty: Pediatrics
Subspecialty: Newborn Hospital Care

Jacobs Medical Center
Contact: New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273

Bio: Christopher Longhurst, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who specializes in the care of newborns. As a newborn hospitalist, he meets with parents and their babies during their postpartum stay in the hospital, providing daily care to infants. This care includes newborn examinations, screening tests and performing procedures like frenotomy.

Lisa M. Stellwagen, MD, FAAP
Pediatrician
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialty: Pediatrics
Subspecialty: Newborn Hospital Care
Add'l Language: Spanish

Jacobs Medical Center
Contact: New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273

Bio: Lisa Stellwagen, MD, is a newborn specialist and board-certified pediatrician. She has been a pediatrician for 30 years, both in community and hospital settings, and is the medical director of the Newborn Service at UC San Diego Health. Her clinical expertise includes infant nutrition, breastmilk feeding, and medical care of newborns.
Leah D. Kern, MD, MPH
Pediatrician
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Primary Care

Subspecialties:
Travel Medicine, General Pediatrics

Add'l Languages:
French, Spanish

Kearny Mesa - Frost Street

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 496-4800

Bio:
Leah D. Kern, MD, MPH, is a board-certified pediatrician who provides primary care for children of all ages. She leads the pediatric travel medicine program, which provides medical advice and vaccinations for children traveling internationally.
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