UC San Diego Health Physician Directory

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- 8910 Villa La Jolla Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92037
- 8899 and 8929 University Center Lane
  San Diego, CA 92122
- 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92037
- 9333 Genesee Avenue
  San Diego, CA 92121
- 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92037
- 9350 Campus Point Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92037

### Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
- 9434 Medical Center Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92093

### Moores Cancer Center
- 3855 Health Sciences Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92093

### Shiley Eye Institute
- 9415 Campus Point Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92093

### Hillcrest
- **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

### Encinitas
- **1200 Garden View Road**
  Encinitas, CA 92024
- **477 North El Camino Real**
  Encinitas, CA 92024

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

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- **9909 Mira Mesa Blvd.**
  San Diego, CA 92131

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- 7910 Frost Street
  San Diego, CA 92123

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- 3020 Children’s Way
  San Diego, CA 92123

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- 959 Lane Avenue
  Chula Vista, CA 91914

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- 31720 Temecula Parkway
  Temecula, CA 92592

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- 4910 Directors Place
  San Diego, CA 92121
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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 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.

Ronald Joseph Ellis, MD, PhD
Neurologist
Professor of Neurosciences

Specialties:
Neurology, HIV/AIDS

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3500
Fax: (619) 543-6806

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.

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.
Neurology (cont.)

Jeffrey H. Gertsch, MD  
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences  

Specialty:  
Neurology  

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center  

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

Monika A. Gupta, MD  
Neurologist  

Specialty:  
Neurology  

Temecula Parkway  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Line: (951) 303-0734  

Bio:  
Monika Gupta, MD, is a board-certified neurologist. She provides care for people with a variety of neurologic conditions, and has a special interest in neuromuscular diseases. Dr. Gupta uses advanced neurodiagnostic techniques, including electromyography and nerve conduction studies to diagnose and treat neuromuscular, musculoskeletal, and nervous system disorders.

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 Line: (858) 657-8540  

Bio:  
UC San Diego Health Links  

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 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.
Neurology (cont.)

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.

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.

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®), the first drug in a novel class of medications used to treat moderate-to-severe Alzheimer’s disease.

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.
Neurology (cont.)

Michael Rafii, MD, PhD  
Director, Adult Down Syndrome Clinic  
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:**  
Michael Rafii, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurologist and director of the Adult Down Syndrome Clinic at UC San Diego.

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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. Dr. Tecoma spends the majority of time as an active clinician, and is Chief of the Neurology service at the UC San Diego Thornton Hospital, the location of the Will Sally Epilepsy Monitoring Unit. In addition to patient care and teaching, Dr. Tecoma is also active in epilepsy research; she is the author of numerous articles, and lectures widely on areas of her specialty including clinical trials, presurgical evaluation, vagus nerve stimulation therapy, reproductive hormones and epilepsy, and the diagnosis and management of epilepsy.

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John Ravits, MD  
Neurologist  
Professor of Clinical Neurosciences

**Specialty:**  
Neurology

**La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive**

**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.

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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 (cont.)

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

Specialty:
Neurology
Add'l Language:
French

Hillcrest - 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.
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 dementia.
Neurology - Epilepsy

Leena Raj Kansal, MD
Neurologist
Associate Professor of Neurosciences

- **Specialty:** Neurology
- **Subspeciality:** 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.

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

- **Specialty:** Neurology
- **Subspeciality:** 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
- Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-3500

**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
- **Subspeciality:** 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

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 treating migraines, headaches and neurologic pain conditions.

Imanuel Lerman, MD
Pain Management Specialist
Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology

Specialties:
Pain Management, Neurology
Subspecialty:
Headache

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6035

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 cares for individuals at UC San Diego Health’s Center for Pain Medicine, which is dedicated to reducing and eliminating suffering, and improving function in individuals with lower back or other spine-related pain issues, joint and muscular-skeletal pain or pain due to surgery, injury, nerve damage, psychological factors and metabolic problems such as diabetes.
Neurology - Headache (cont.)

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

Stephanie Lessig, MD
Neurologist
Associate Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology
Subspecialty:
Movement Disorders

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

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.

Irene Litvan, MD
Neurologist
Director, Movement Disorders Center
Professor of Neurosciences

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

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

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

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.
Neurology - Movement Disorders (cont.)

Fatta Nahab, MD  
Neurologist  
Associate Professor of Neurosciences  

**Specialty:**  
Neurology

**Subspecialty:**  
Movement Disorders

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8540  
Fax: (858) 657-8549

**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.
Neurology - Neurocritical Care

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 González, 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

Subspeciality:
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.
Neurology - Stroke

Kunal Agrawal, MD
Neurologist
Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

Specialty:
Neurology

Subspecialty:
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.

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.

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.
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

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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

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

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

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

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
Subspecialty:
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
Subspecialty:
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:
Neurology, Stroke Care
Subspecialty:
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.
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