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- 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92037
- 9333 Genesee Avenue
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- 8950 Villa La Jolla Drive
  La Jolla, CA 92037
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  La Jolla, CA 92037

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

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

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

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

**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

**Temecula**
- 31720 Temecula Parkway
  Temecula, CA 92592

**Sorrento Valley**
- 4910 Directors Place
  San Diego, CA 92121

**Kearny Mesa**
- 7910 Frost Street
  San Diego, CA 92123

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- 3020 Children's Way
  San Diego, CA 92123

**Chula Vista**
- 959 Lane Avenue
  Chula Vista, CA 91914

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- 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd.
  San Diego, CA 92131
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Obstetrics & Gynecology

Obstetrics and Gynecology (OB/GYN) are the two surgical-medical specialties concerned with the reproductive organs in women. Learn more about OB/GYN at UC San Diego Health System.

Stephen A. Hebert, MD

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
For more information on treatment at UC San Diego, see Obstetrics and Gynecology or Pregnancy and Childbirth.

Sierra Washington, MD, FACOG

Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Associate Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Add'l Languages:
French, Spanish

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 249-5900
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-7878

Bio:
Sierra Washington, MD, is a board-certified obstetrician and gynecologist who provides labor and delivery care at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Washington sees patients at the Hillcrest campus for prenatal care and family planning services. She aims to provide a holistic approach to patient care and a natural birthing experience for parents and their newborns within Hillcrest and Jacobs Medical Center’s state-of-the-art obstetrical environment.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology

Jorge L. Alvarado, MD, FACOG
Obstetrician/Gynecologist

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
General Gynecology
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8745
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-7878

Bio:
Jorge L. Alvarado, MD, is an obstetrician/gynecologist who provides prenatal, labor and delivery, and postpartum care as well as comprehensive gynecological care, including diagnosis and treatment of abnormal uterine bleeding, fibroids, sexually transmitted infections, and gynecologic cancer prevention. Dr. Alvarado specializes in minimally invasive gynecologic surgery, with an interest in dysplasia of the cervix, vagina, and vulva.

Sarah H. Averbach, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8745
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-7878

Bio:
Sarah H. Averbach, MD, is an board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides comprehensive gynecological care and specializes in family planning. Her expertise includes surgical management of gynecologic conditions and reproductive infectious disease.
Elise S. Brown, MD, FACOG
Obstetrician/Gynecologist

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

College Area - 6719 Alvarado Rd

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 229-6585

Bio:
Elise Star Brown, MD, FACOG, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides expert prenatal, labor and delivery, and postpartum care, as well as comprehensive gynecological care, including well-woman visits, family planning (contraception counseling and all types of long-term reversible contraception), and treatment for issues such as abnormal bleeding, gynecological infections or sexually transmitted diseases. In addition, she also provides bio-identical hormone treatment for menopausal symptoms.

Julia Cormano, MD, FACOG
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

Add'l Language:
Spanish

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-7878

Bio:
Julia Cormano, MD, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides expert prenatal, labor and delivery, and postpartum care, as well as comprehensive gynecological care. She is part of the maternity team at UC San Diego Health’s Hillcrest location, where low-risk mothers and babies can plan for deliveries at UC San Diego Medical Center. Dr. Cormano believes in building strong relationships with her patients and truly listening to their needs. She often works with patients who are interested in attempting a vaginal birth after Cesarean (VBAC) and is skilled in performing external cephalic version (moving a breech baby into the head-down position). Additionally, she works with a midwife team to provide minimal intervention, evidence-based obstetrics care.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Pamela S. Deak, MD  
Obstetrician/Gynecologist  
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology  
Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla  
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Pamela Deak, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, family planning, and treatment for gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.

Gina R. Frugoni, MD  
Obstetrician/Gynecologist  
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:  
Obstetrics & Gynecology  
Subspecialty:  
General Gynecology  
Add'l Language:  
Spanish

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-7878

Bio:
Gina Frugoni, MD, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides expert prenatal, labor and delivery, and postpartum care. She also provides comprehensive gynecological care, including well woman visits, family planning, and treatment for issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, gynecological infections or sexually transmitted diseases.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Erin A. Gross, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8737
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Erin Gross, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, family planning, and treatment for gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, gynecological infections or sexually transmitted diseases.

Jessica Kingston, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Associate Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Jessica Kingston, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections. Within the maternal mental health program, she is also responsible for coordinating patient care.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Daphne (Yvette) LaCoursiere, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Obesity Medicine

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Yvette LaCoursiere, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.

Kathryn Macaulay, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

Encinitas - Garden View
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Kathryn Macaulay, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections. Dr. Macaulay's expertise is in caring for perimenopausal and menopausal women. She treats common symptoms and conditions of menopause, such as hot flashes, night sweats, insomnia, mood changes, osteoporosis, and weight gain. She also has extensive experience in hormone replacement therapy.
Gillian Mackay, MBBS, FACOG
Obstetrician/Gynecologist

Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty: General Gynecology
Add'l Language: German

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Gillian Mackay, MBBS, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides labor and delivery care for both low and high-risk pregnancies, as well as minimally invasive gynecological surgery, adolescent gynecology and contraception and family planning. She also performs office procedures such as hysteroscopy.

Christine B. Miller, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty: General Gynecology

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Christine B. Miller, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.
Sheila Mody, MD
Family Planning Specialist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Sheila Mody, MD, MPH is a family planning specialist with a focus in contraceptive counseling for women with complex medical conditions. Her interests include educating patients on the use of long-acting reversible contraception and early pregnancy management.

William H. Parker, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
William Parker, MD, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who specializes in the evaluation and treatment of women with uterine fibroids. He is an internationally known surgeon for myomectomy (removal of fibroids) using minimally-invasive (laparoscopic) surgery or through open abdominal incisions.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Jamie L. Resnik, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
General Gynecology
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Jamie Resnik, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN. She provides comprehensive care to women, including maternity care, well woman care, and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.

Maureen C. Ries, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
General Gynecology
Add'l Languages:
Indonesian, Spanish, Swahili

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Encinitas - Garden View
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Maureen Ries, MD, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides a wide spectrum of care for women, including prenatal and childbirth care. She provides well-woman care, including health care maintenance and contraception. In addition, she has interests in vulvar skin disorders and general gynecologic surgery.
Robert A. Semo, MD
Gynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Robert Semo, MD is a board-certified gynecologist who provides comprehensive care to women, including well woman care and treatment for common gynecological issues such as abnormal Pap smears, fibroids, ovarian cysts, abnormal bleeding, or gynecological infections.

Alice Harman Sutton, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
General Gynecology
Add'l Language:
Spanish

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-7878

Bio:
Alice H. Sutton, MD, is an obstetrician/gynecologist who provides expert prenatal, labor and delivery, and postpartum care, as well as comprehensive gynecological care, including well-woman visits, family planning (contraception counseling and all types of long-term reversible contraception), and treatment for issues such as abnormal bleeding, gynecological infections or sexually transmitted diseases.

Shira Varon, MD
Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
General Gynecology
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Shira Varon, MD, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides a wide spectrum of care for women, including prenatal and childbirth care. She also provides well-woman care, including health care maintenance and contraception.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - General Gynecology (cont.)

Akilah Weber, MD
Obstetrician and Gynecologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

La Jolla - 8910 Villa La Jolla
Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Akilah Weber, MD, is a board-certified OB/GYN who specializes in managing the gynecologic needs of children and teenagers. She has a special interest in treating children born with reproductive defects, people with adrenogenital disorders (which cause an abnormal secretion of hormones) and amenorrhea (the absence of menstruation in women of reproductive age).

Sigrid G. (Siri) Williams, MD, MPH
Obstetrician/Gynecologist

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

Add'l Language:
Spanish

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-7878

Bio:
Sigrid Williams, MD, MPH, is an obstetrician/gynecologist who provides expert prenatal, labor and delivery, and postpartum care, as well as comprehensive gynecological care. She is part of the maternity care team at UC San Diego Health’s Hillcrest location, where low-risk mothers and babies can plan for deliveries at UC San Diego Medical Center.
Perri Wittgrove, MD, FACOG, FACS
Obstetrician/Gynecologist

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology

Subspecialty:
General Gynecology

College Area - 6719 Alvarado Rd

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 219-6585

Bio:
Perri Lynne Wittgrove, MD, FACOG, FACS is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who provides expert prenatal, labor and delivery, and postpartum care, as well as comprehensive gynecological care, including well-woman visits, family planning (contraception counseling and all types of long-term reversible contraception), and treatment for issues such as abnormal bleeding, abnormal pap smears, and abnormal menses. In addition, she treats fibroids, as well as gynecological infections and sexually transmitted infections.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Gynecologic Oncology

Gynecologic oncology is the medical specialty focusing on cancers of the female reproductive system, including ovarian cancer, uterine cancer, vaginal cancer, cervical cancer, and vulvar cancer. Learn more about gynecologic cancers at UC San Diego Health.

Pratibha S. Binder, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

Additional Languages:
Hindi, Urdu

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Pratibha Binder, MD, is a gynecologic oncologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating female reproductive system cancers, including ovarian, uterine, cervical, endometrial, vulvar and vaginal cancer. Her expertise also includes surgical management of these cancers.

Ramez N. Eskander, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

Additional Languages:
Arabic, Spanish

Moores Cancer Center
Vista - Sycamore Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - Vista: (760) 536-7737

Bio:
Ramez Eskander, MD, is a board-certified gynecologic oncologist who specializes in the surgical management of female reproductive system cancers, including ovarian, uterine, cervical, vulvar and vaginal cancer. His expertise includes diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, including minimally invasive (robotic) surgery, chemotherapy and novel drugs. Dr. Eskander is also experienced in clinical trial development and aims to provide individuals with access to innovative medicines during their treatment.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Gynecologic Oncology (cont.)

Michael McHale, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

**Specialties:**
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

**Moores Cancer Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100

**Bio:**
Dr. McHale is a professor in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences, Division of Gynecologic Oncology, at UC San Diego School of Medicine. He joined the faculty after serving at the Naval Medical Center San Diego from 2000-2007. During that time he was the Assistant Residency Director, Vice-Chairman of the Institutional Review Board, Principal Investigator for the Gynecologic Oncology Group studies, and the Director of the Donald Gallup Research Symposium.

Steven Plaxe, MD
Director, Gynecologic Oncology
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

**Specialties:**
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

**Moores Cancer Center**

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

**Bio:**
Dr. Plaxe is a fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology and of the American College of Surgeons. He is Director of the Division of Gynecologic Oncology. He is a member of the Cancer Prevention and Control Committee of the Gynecologic Oncology Group (GOG) and is Principal Investigator at UC San Diego for Gynecologic Oncology Group studies.
Cheryl C. Saenz, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecological Cancers

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Cheryl Saenz, MD, is a board-certified gynecologic oncologist. She specializes in the preventive and treatment aspects of gynecologic cancer care. Dr. Saenz is also dedicated to educating women who are at risk for these types of cancers, which include cancers of the cervix, uterus, ovaries and fallopian tubes.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)

**Jerasimos (Jerry) Ballas, MD, MPH, FACOG**
Perinatologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

**Specialty:** Obstetrics & Gynecology
**Subspecialty:** Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)
**Add'l Language:** Greek

**Contact:**
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line - Sorrento Valley: (858) 657-7200
- Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-7878

**Bio:**
Jerry Ballas, MD, MPH, is a board-certified perinatologist who cares for women with high-risk pregnancies. As a maternal-fetal medicine specialist, he treats expectant mothers who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health complications.

**Andrew D. Hull, BMBS, FRCOG, FACOG**
Perinatologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

**Specialty:** Obstetrics & Gynecology
**Subspecialty:** Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**
**Sorrento Valley - Directors Place**
**Jacobs Medical Center**
**Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center**

**Contact:**
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (858) 543-7878

**Bio:**
Andrew D. Hull, BMBS, is a board-certified perinatologist who specializes in caring for women with high-risk pregnancies. Perinatologists, also known as maternal-fetal medicine specialists, care for pregnant women who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health concerns. Dr. Hull’s expertise includes caring for pregnant women with chronic medical problems, including HIV; pregnancies complicated by fetal disorders such as isoimmunization and complex birth defects; and placental disorders such as placenta accreta.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology) (cont.)

**Thomas F. Kelly, MD**
Perinatologist
Chief, Division of Perinatal Medicine
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

**Specialty:** Obstetrics & Gynecology  
**Subspecialty:** Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)

Sorrento Valley - Directors Place  
Jacobs Medical Center  
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Sorrento Valley: (858) 657-7200

**Bio:**  
Thomas F. Kelly, MD, is a board-certified perinatologist who specializes in caring for women with high-risk pregnancies. Perinatologists, also known as maternal-fetal medicine specialists, care for pregnant women who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health concerns. His expertise includes medical complications of pregnancy and fetal diagnosis.

**Leah Lamale-Smith, MD**
Perinatologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

**Specialty:** Obstetrics & Gynecology  
**Subspecialty:** Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)  
**Add'l Language:** Spanish

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**Bio:**  
Leah Lamale-Smith, MD, is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist who specializes in high-risk pregnancies. As a provider of maternal-fetal medicine, she cares for pregnant women who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health concerns. Dr. Lamale-Smith’s expertise is in performing invasive fetal procedures for prenatal screening and diagnosis, including chorionic villus sampling (CVS), amniocentesis, and fetal blood sampling and intrauterine transfusion. She is also experienced in caring for women with higher-order multiples, women with complex medical conditions such as autoimmune disorders and cardiac disease, and critically ill women who require intensive care during their pregnancy or postpartum period.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology) (cont.)

Louise C. Laurent, MD, PhD
Perinatologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)

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Bio:
Louise C. Laurent, MD, PhD, is a board-certified perinatologist who specializes in caring for women with high-risk pregnancies. Perinatologists, also known as maternal-fetal medicine specialists, care for pregnant women who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health concerns. Dr. Laurent’s expertise is in treating women who are at risk for preeclampsia or fetal growth restriction.

Thomas Moore, MD
Interim Chief Medical Officer
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)

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Bio:
Thomas Moore, MD, is a board-certified maternal-fetal medicine specialist. He provides prenatal care for women with high-risk pregnancies, and is recognized nationally as an expert on pregnancy and diabetes. Dr. Moore has been ranked several times as one of the top obstetricians and gynecologists in the nation by U.S. News & World Report, as well as been named repeatedly as a “Top Doc” in San Diego Magazine’s “Physicians of Exceptional Excellence” annual survey performed in collaboration with the San Diego County Medical Society. Most recently he received the Louis M. Hellman MD Midwifery Partnership Award from the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.
Gladys "Sandy" Ramos, MD  
Perinatologist  
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences  

Specialty:  
Obstetrics & Gynecology  
Subspeciality:  
Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)  
Add'l Language:  
Spanish  

Jacobs Medical Center  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South  
Sorrento Valley - Directors Place  
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center  

Contact:  
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Direct Clinic Line - Sorrento Valley: (858) 657-7200  
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-7878  

Bio:  
Gladys "Sandy" Ramos, MD, is a board-certified perinatologist who specializes in caring for women with high-risk pregnancies. Perinatologists, also known as maternal-fetal medicine specialists, care for pregnant women with complex health or fetal issues. Dr. Ramos' expertise is in treating women with diabetes to help ensure safe deliveries of healthy infants while maintaining optimal health for mothers. She is also experienced in managing placenta accreta and other high-risk issues.

Robert Resnik, MD  
Professor Emeritus of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences  
Perinatologist  

Specialty:  
Obstetrics & Gynecology  
Subspeciality:  
Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)  

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Bio:  
Robert Resnik, MD, is a board-certified perinatologist who specializes in caring for women with high-risk pregnancies. Perinatologists, also known as maternal-fetal medicine specialists, care for pregnant women who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health concerns. Dr. Resnik's expertise includes treating fetal growth restriction and placenta accreta.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology) (cont.)

Maryam Tarsa, MD
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences
Perinatologist

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspeciality:
Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)
Add'l Language:
Farsi

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Bio:
Maryam Tarsa, MD, is a board-certified perinatologist who specializes in caring for women with high-risk pregnancies. Perinatologists, also known as maternal-fetal medicine specialists, care for pregnant women who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health concerns. Dr. Tarsa's expertise includes fetal imaging and treating pregnant women with autoimmune disorders, infectious diseases and transplants. She also cares for women having twins or higher-order multiples.

Steven J. Thomas, MD
Perinatologist

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspeciality:
Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)

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Bio:
Steven J. Thomas, MD, is a board-certified perinatologist who specializes in caring for women with high-risk pregnancies. Perinatologists, also known as maternal-fetal medicine specialists, care for pregnant women who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health concerns.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology) (cont.)

Douglas Andrew Woelkers, MD
Perinatologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty: Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)
Add'l Language: Spanish

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Contact:
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Bio:
Douglas Andrew Woelkers, MD, is a board-certified perinatologist who specializes in caring for women with high-risk pregnancies. Perinatologists, also known as maternal-fetal medicine specialists, care for pregnant women who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health concerns. Dr. Woelkers' expertise includes preeclampsia, thrombophilia and placental insufficiency.

Richard B. Wolf, DO
Perinatologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty: Maternal-Fetal Medicine (Perinatology)

Jacobs Medical Center
Sorrento Valley - Directors Place
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Bio:
Richard B. Wolf, DO, is a board-certified perinatologist who specializes in caring for women with high-risk pregnancies. Perinatologists, also known as maternal-fetal medicine specialists, care for pregnant women who have an increased chance that they or their babies will have health concerns. Dr. Wolf's expertise includes fetal imaging, amniotic fluid abnormalities, blood clotting disorders during pregnancy and blood group (Rh) incompatibility.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility

Reproductive endocrinology and infertility is a surgical subspecialty of obstetrics and gynecology that addresses hormonal functioning as it applies to reproduction and infertility. Learn more about reproductive endocrinology and infertility at UC San Diego Health.

Sanjay Agarwal, MD, FACOG
Director of Fertility Services
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Infertility
Subspecialty:
Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility
Add'l Language:
Hindi

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
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Bio:
Dr. Agarwal is Clinical Professor and Director of Fertility Services in the UC San Diego Department of Reproductive Medicine. He is also Director of the innovative UC San Diego Center for Endometriosis Research and Treatment (CERT, www.cert.ucsd.edu).

R. Jeffrey Chang, MD
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Infertility
Subspecialty:
Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Dr. Chang has had a long-standing clinical and research interest in Polycystic Ovary Syndrome. He is widely published, and has achieved significant recognition for his research accomplishments. He is a reviewer for many medical journals and has written several books. His past involvement with the National Institutes Of Health (NIH) included serving on the Reproductive Biology Study Section and two years as the Administrative Chair for NIH Physiological Sciences Review Section.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility (cont.)

Antoni Duleba, MD
Chief, Division of Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Infertility
Subspecialty:
Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Antoni Duleba, MD, is a board-certified reproductive endocrinologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating infertility and regulating ovarian function. His primary research focuses on polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) and endometriosis.

H. Irene Su, MD
Reproductive Endocrinologist
Associate Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialties:
Obstetrics & Gynecology, Infertility
Subspecialty:
Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility
Add'l Language:
Chinese

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
H. Irene Su, MD, is a board-certified reproductive endocrinologist. She has a special interest in treating infertility, reproductive aging and fertility preservation. Dr. Su directs the fertility and reproductive health in cancer survivors program at UC San Diego Health, which offers reproductive health services and counseling for young female survivors. She also provides fertility preservation, IVF and a range of infertility treatment options at Reproductive Partners Fertility Center—San Diego.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Urogynecology

Marianna Alperin, MD
Urogynecologist
Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty: Urogynecology
Add'l Languages: Russian, Spanish

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Encinitas - Garden View

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (858) 657-8745

Bio:
Marianna Alperin, MD, is a board-certified urogynecologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating a variety of pelvic floor conditions, including urinary and fecal incontinence and prolapse.

Linda Brubaker, MD, FACOG
Urogynecologist
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty: Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty: Urogynecology

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8737

Bio:
Linda Brubaker, MD, is a board-certified urogynecologist who specializes in treating adult women with recurrent urinary tract infections and providing non-surgical solutions for bladder/bowel control problems and pelvic organ prolapse.
Obstetrics & Gynecology - Urogynecology (cont.)

Emily Lukacz, MD
Co-Director, Women's Pelvic Medicine Center
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
Urogynecology
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8737

Bio:
Emily Lukacz, MD, is a board-certified urogynecologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating female pelvic floor disorders such as pelvic organ prolapse, urinary incontinence and lower urinary tract disorders. She co-directs UC San Diego Health's Women's Pelvic Medicine Center, which provides comprehensive and multidisciplinary care for a wide range of urogynecologic and pelvic floor dysfunctions.

Charles W. Nager, MD
Urogynecologist
Chair of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences

Specialty:
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Subspecialty:
Urogynecology
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

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Bio:
Charles Nager, MD, is distinguished professor and chair of the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences. He is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist and female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgery subspecialist (urogynecologist) who specializes in diagnosing and treating female pelvic floor disorders such as pelvic organ prolapse and urinary incontinence.
Pathology

Pathology is the study of the nature, origin, cause and progress of a disease. Learn more about pathology at UC San Diego Health System.

Elizabeth S. Allen, MD
Pathologist
Assistant Professor of Pathology

Specialties:
Pathology, Hematology/Blood Diseases

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

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

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

Jack Bui, MD, PhD
Pathologist
Associate Professor of Pathology

Specialties:
Pathology, Cancer

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

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

Bio:
Jack Bui, MD, PhD, is a board-certified pathologist with expertise in tumor immunology and immune function tests. As a pathologist, he studies cells and tissues from biopsies and excisions to diagnosis diseases and define their extent. Dr. Bui interfaces between the cancer research and immunology programs.

H. Elizabeth Broome, MD
Director, Clinical Hematology Laboratory
Clinical Professor

Specialty:
Pathology

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Dr. Broome has a BS degree in Chemical Engineering from MIT and a MD degree from the University of Pennsylvania. After finishing a residency in Clinical Pathology and a fellowship in Hematopathology at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, She became certified in Clinical Pathology with a specialty certification in Hematology from the American Board of Pathology.

Brian Datnow, MD
Professor

Specialty:
Pathology

Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Brian Datnow graduated in medicine from the University of Witwaterstrand School of Medicine in 1970 and completed his internship in surgery (6 months) and medicine (6 months), at Johannesburg General Hospital in 1971.
Pathology (cont.)

Oluwole Fadare, MD
Pathologist
Professor of Pathology

Specialties:
Pathology, Cancer

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

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

Bio:
Oluwole Fadare, MD, is a board-certified pathologist who specializes in gynecologic and breast cancers. As a pathologist, he studies cells and tissues from biopsies and excisions to provide a definitive diagnosis of disease and define their extent.

Donna E. Hansel, MD, PhD
Pathologist
Professor of Pathology

Specialties:
Pathology, Cancer

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Donna Hansel, MD, PhD, is a board-certified pathologist and internationally recognized leader in genitourinary pathology. As a pathologist, she studies cells and tissues from biopsies to provide a definitive diagnosis of disease. Dr. Hansel often works with oncologists to develop treatment recommendations for patients. Dr. Hansel has a special interest in urologic cancer care treatment, including bladder cancer, adrenal cancer, kidney cancer, prostate cancer, and testicular cancer.

Steven L. Gonias, MD, PhD
Chief of Pathology
Professor and Chair

Specialty:
Pathology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5966

Bio:
Dr. Gonias is a highly respected clinical pathologist with expertise in the laboratory diagnosis of thrombosis and bleeding disorders. As a researcher, Dr. Gonias focuses on cancer and vascular biology, as well as Alzheimer's disease.

Lawrence A. Hansen, MD
Professor of Pathology and Neurosciences

Specialty:
Pathology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (619) 534-6212

Bio:
Lawrence A. Hansen received his Bachelor of Arts degree in English Literature in 1974 from North Central College in Naperville IL. He was granted a Medical Degree in 1977 from Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine in Maywood, IL. Following an internship in Psychiatry at Loyola in Maywood, Dr. Hansen spent 4 years in combined Anatomic and Clinical pathology training, also at Loyola. He followed this with 3 years of Neuropathology residency at Emory University in Atlanta, GA, and then went to UC San Diego for a two year fellowship in Geriatric Neuropathology and Dementia. After an additional year of surgical pathology fellowship at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Michigan, Dr. Hansen joined the faculty at UC San Diego School of Medicine in the Departments of Neurosciences and Pathology in 1988.
Pathology (cont.)

Farnaz Hasteh, MD
Assistant Clinical Professor

Specialty: Pathology
Add'l Language: Persian

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Bio:
Dr. Hasteh received her medical degree in 1995 from Iran University of Medical Sciences in Tehran, Iran. She completed her pathology residency (AP-CP) at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Michigan, where she was the chief resident in pathology (2002-2003), teaching and directing residents.

Michael J. Kelner, MD
Director, Clinical Chemistry & Toxicology Laboratory Professor

Specialty: Pathology

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Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5966

Bio:
Dr. Kelner received his MD from the University of Minnesota in 1981. He completed a rotating internship at UCSF and matriculated into the Straight Laboratory Medicine (Clinical Pathology) residency at UCSD in 1982. He served as Chief Resident in Clinical Pathology from 1984-85, and was awarded the David Jay Epstein Memorial Award for Research Excellence by a Pathology Resident in 1985. He was also honored with Young Investigator Awards from the Academy of Clinical Laboratory Physicians and Scientists for three consecutive years. He was board certified in 1985 in both Clinical and Chemical Pathology.

Dzung T. Le, MD, PhD
Director of the Coagulation Laboratory, Associate Director of the Clinical Hematology Laboratory, Associate Director of Blood Bank and Transfusion Medicine
Associate Professor of Clinical Pathology

Specialty: Pathology

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Contact:
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Grace Y. Lin, MD, PhD
Assistant Clinical Professor

Specialty: Pathology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Dr. Lin received her BS from UC San Diego, and then entered the Medical Scientist Training Program at Northwestern University. In 2000, she completed her PhD in the laboratory of Dr. Robert A. Lamb studying the V protein of the paramyxovirus simian virus 5. She completed her MD in 2002. She then completed her pathology residency (AP and CP) at UC San Diego Medical Center where she was chief resident in 2004-2005, and then also completed fellowships in surgical pathology in 2005-2006 and placental pathology in 2006-2007.
Pathology (cont.)

Jonathan H. Lin, MD, PhD

Specialty:
Pathology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-2743

Bio:
Dr. Lin received his PhD in Neuroscience and his Doctor of Medicine in 2001, both from Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons.

Ronald W. McLawhon, MD, PhD

Director, Clinical Laboratories; Division Chief, Laboratory Medicine
Clinical Professor

Specialty:
Pathology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-5685

Bio:
Dr. McLawhon received his PhD in Biochemistry from the University of Chicago and his MD from Rush Medical College. After receiving his PhD, he served briefly as a Research Associate in Pediatrics at the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr., Mental Retardation Research Center at the University of Chicago.

Eliezer Masliah, MD
Director of Autopsy Service
Professor of Neurosciences and Pathology

Specialty:
Pathology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:

Mana Parast, MD, PhD
Assistant Professor

Specialty:
Pathology
Add'l Language:
Farsi

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Please contact me with any questions regarding gynecologic and perinatal pathology.
Pathology (cont.)

Henry C. Powell, MD, DSc
Chief of Neuropathology
Professor

Specialty:
Pathology

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-7292

Bio:
Dr. Powell received his doctorate of medicine from the University College (Dublin, Ireland) in 1970. He completed a rotating internship at the Philadelphia General Hospital, affiliated with Jefferson Medical School (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) during 1970-71. He completed a residency in Combined Anatomic and Clinical Pathology at UC San Diego (1971-75) and a Chief Residency in Neuropathology at the Massachusetts General Hospital (1975-76).

David Pride, MD, PhD

Specialties:
Pathology, Infectious Diseases

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

Bio:
Our laboratory focuses on the role that microbial communities play in human homeostasis, health and disease. We firmly believe that the various microbial components of human ecosystems including bacteria, viruses, archaea, and fungi are important factors that help determine the natural history of their hosts. Furthermore, their interactions with humans or their interactions with other microbial constituents in these communities likely have consequences for human health.

Ahmed S. Shabaik, MD
Attending physician
Professor

Specialty:
Pathology
Add'l Language:
Arabic

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5764

Bio:
Dr. Shabaik is Clinical Professor of Pathology. He received his Medical Degree from The Cairo University Faculty of Medicine in Egypt. After finishing a year of rotating internship, Dr. Shabaik moved to the United States where he finished a year of straight surgical internship and AP/CP pathology residency training. Following residency Dr. Shabaik was a Fellow in Anatomic Pathology at St. John Mercy Medical Center in St. Louis and then a Fellow in Cytopathology at the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute of the University of South Florida in Tampa. Dr. Shabaik is certified by the American Board of Pathology in AP, CP and Cytopathology. Dr. Shabaik was Assistant Professor of Pathology at the University of South Florida before he joined UCSD in 1992.
Ann M. Ponsford Tipps, MD
Clinical Professor

**Specialty:** Pathology

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

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5764

**Bio:**
Dr. Tipps is a California native, educated at Pomona College, Claremont, CA (B.A. in Chemistry/Zoology). She received her M.D. at Virginia Commonwealth University/Medical College of Virginia in Richmond, VA, and completed her Anatomic and Clinical Pathology residency also at VCU/VCU. Upon completion of residency training, she returned to California where she was in private practice in a private pathology laboratory and medical director at SmithKline Beecham Clinical Laboratories; and practiced anatomic and clinical pathology at Palomar Medical Center, Pomerado Hospital, and Tri-City Medical Center. She began practicing at UCSD in the Dept. of Pathology in late 2000, and joined the faculty in 2001 as an Associate Clinical Professor.

Mark A. Valasek, MD, PhD
Pathologist
Associate Professor of Pathology

**Specialties:** Pathology, Cancer

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**

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

**Bio:**
Mark Valasek, MD, PhD, is a board-certified pathologist who specializes in diagnosing diseases related to the gastrointestinal system, liver, and pancreas. He studies cells and tissues from biopsies or surgical specimens to investigate these diseases and define their extent.
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