UC San Diego Health Physician Directory

Our physicians are recognized leaders in their professional societies, heading national organizations and committees dedicated to improving care and advancing knowledge about disease. They are prominently listed in publications such as America’s Top Doctors and *U.S. News & World Report*’s rankings of outstanding physicians and clinical programs.

Patient Access

Request an Appointment

Whether you’re looking for a primary care physician (PCP), need a specialist for treatment or are seeking a second opinion, you can make an appointment by following the steps below:

- **New Patients (who have never seen a UC San Diego Health provider)**
  To register as a new patient and schedule an appointment, call 800-926-8273, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- **Current Patients**
  Contact your physician’s office directly to schedule an appointment or call the main switchboard number, 858-657-7000, and ask to be transferred to your physician’s office.

- **Find a Doctor**
  To use our physician search website to find a physician by name or to search for a specialist, visit: [doctors.ucsd.edu](http://doctors.ucsd.edu).

Referring Physician Access

Transfer a Patient

For hospital-to-hospital transfers, call 619-543-5709 (24-hour service) for instructions or to speak to a transfer coordinator.

Consultations

If you need to talk with one of our physicians about a case or if you have any problems or concerns, please contact us at 855-543-0555 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. We want to hear from you.

Refer Your Patient

Call Physician Access at 855-543-0555 or fax 888-539-8781 and our team will register and schedule your referred patient. You will receive follow-up communication (consultation notes, discharges, etc.), as well as access to our electronic medical record system, UCSD Link.
## Locations

### La Jolla
- 4510 and 4520 Executive Drive
  San Diego, CA 92121
- 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

### 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

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

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

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

### Rady Children’s Hospital-San Diego
- **3020 Children’s Way**
  San Diego, CA 92123

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

Pain management is the pharmacological, nonpharmacological and other treatment to prevent, reduce, or stop pain. Learn more about [pain management](https://health.ucsd.edu) at UC San Diego Health System.

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**Farshad M. Ahadian, MD**  
Medical Director, Center For Pain Medicine  
Professor of Anesthesiology

**Specialties:**  
Anesthesiology, Pain Management

**Jacobs Medical Center**  
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

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

**Bio:**  
Farshad M. Ahadian, MD, is a board-certified anesthesiologist who specializes in pain management. As a pain management specialist, he evaluates, diagnoses and provides comprehensive, multidisciplinary care for a broad range of pain conditions. His areas of expertise and interest include minimally invasive treatments for neurogenic claudication from lumbar spinal stenosis and lumbar discogenic pain; neurostimulation (including spinal cord and peripheral nerve field stimulation); interventional therapies for the head and neck region; spinal diagnostics and therapeutics; diagnostic and therapeutic interventions for joint pain; integrative medicine and medical acupuncture.

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**Benjamin Beal, MD**  
Assistant Clinical Professor

**Specialties:**  
Anesthesiology, Pain Management  
Add'l Language:  
Italian

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**

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

**Bio:**  
Dr. Benjamin Beal is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Anesthesiology at UC San Diego. His training includes the treatment of acute and chronic pain via interventional and medication based therapies. His areas of specialty include fluoroscopic guided interventional spine injections, spinal cord stimulation, and ultrasound guided techniques.
Pain Management (cont.)

Lynette Cederquist, MD  
Professor of Medicine  
Pain Management Specialist

Specialties:  
Internal Medicine, Pain Management  

Add'l Language:  
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices  
La Jolla - 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8000  

Bio:  
Lynette Cederquist, MD, is a hospice and palliative medicine specialist who helps relieve suffering in people with life-limiting and advanced illnesses. As a provider of palliative care, she aims to optimize comfort and quality of life while addressing the psychological, social, and spiritual concerns of patients and their families. Dr. Cedequist currently only sees patients with chronic pain who have been referred to her by internists at UC San Diego Health.

Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD  
Pain Management Specialist  
Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology

Specialties:  
Pain Management, Anesthesiology  

Add'l Language:  
Tamil

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion  

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

Bio:  
Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD, is an anesthesiologist who specializes in multi-modal pain management. As a pain management specialist, he evaluates, diagnoses and treats all forms of pain. Dr. Chakravarthy performs a variety of procedures to treat chronic pain, specializing in dorsal root stimulation therapy, a type of neurostimulation therapy designed to manage pain in areas of the lower body such as the foot, knee, hip or groin; dorsal column stimulation; and peripheral nerve stimulation.

Jeffrey Chen, MD, MHS  
Pain Management Specialist  
Associate Professor of Anesthesiology

Specialties:  
Pain Management, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion  

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

Bio:  
Jeffrey L. Chen, MD, MHS, MS, is a board-certified physical medicine and rehabilitation and pain management physician. As a pain management specialist, Dr. Chen evaluates, diagnoses and treats all forms of acute and chronic pain. His expertise includes conservative treatment of low back and neck pain, non-surgical orthopedic conditions and sports injuries. He is the director of Regenerative Pain Medicine and the associate program director for the Pain Medicine Fellowship at UC San Diego School of Medicine.
Amelia Eastman, DO  
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Specialist  
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

**Specialties:**  
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Pain Management, Sports Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**  
**La Jolla - Genesee Avenue**  
**La Jolla - 8939 Villa La Jolla Drive**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6035  
Direct Clinic Line: (844) 747-0474

**Bio:**  
Amelia Eastman, DO, is a board-certified physical medicine and rehabilitation physician who meets with patients at different types of UC San Diego Health clinics to help with pain issues and rehabilitation. She uses a hands-on approach to diagnose injury and illness and encourage the body's natural tendency for good health.

Timothy Furnish, MD  
Pain Management Specialist  
Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology

**Specialties:**  
Pain Management, Anesthesiology

**La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion**

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

**Bio:**  
Timothy Furnish, MD, is a board-certified anesthesiologist who specializes in pain management. As a pain management specialist, Dr. Furnish 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.

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.
Pain Management (cont.)

Albert Y. Leung, MD  
Anesthesiologist and Pain Management Specialist  
Professor of Anesthesiology

Specialties:  
Anesthesiology, Pain Management  
Add'l Languages:  
Cantonese, Mandarin

Jacobs Medical Center  
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:  
Albert Y. Leung, MD, is a board-certified anesthesiologist who specializes in pain medicine. As a pain management specialist, he evaluates and treats all forms of acute and chronic pain conditions. Dr. Leung has over 20 years’ experience caring for people with chronic pain, and offers a range of interventional and minimally invasive procedures, as well as medication management.

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.

Gregory R. Polston, MD  
Pain Management Specialist  
Associate Professor of Anesthesiology

Specialties:  
Pain Management, Anesthesiology

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

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

Bio:  
Gregory R. Polston, MD, is a board-certified anesthesiologist who specializes in pain management. As a pain management specialist, he evaluates, diagnoses and treats all forms of pain. His expertise includes chronic pain, postoperative pain, cancer pain and spine-related pain.

Mark Steven Wallace, MD  
Pain Management Specialist  
Chair, Division of Pain Medicine

Specialties:  
Pain Management, Anesthesiology

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

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

Bio:  
Mark Wallace, MD, is a board-certified anesthesiologist who specializes in multi-modal pain management. As a pain management specialist, he evaluates, diagnoses and treats all forms of pain, though most of his patients are affected by chronic pain.
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