Physician Directory

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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.
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Cardiology - Heart Failure

Eric David Adler, MD
Cardiologist
Director of Cardiac Transplant and Mechanical Circulatory Support
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cardiology, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Heart Failure, Heart Transplantation

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

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

Bio:
Dr. Eric David Adler is a board-certified cardiologist and medical director of advanced heart failure, mechanical circulatory support and cardiac transplantation.

Denise Dayle Barnard, MD
Director, Women's Cardiovascular Health Program
Assistant Director, Advanced Heart Failure Program, Cardiac Transplantation & Mechanical Circulatory Assist Device Program
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cardiology, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Heart Failure, Heart Transplantation

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5743

Bio:
Denise Barnard, MD, is a board-certified cardiologist who is actively involved in UC San Diego Health's Advanced Heart Failure, Cardiac Transplantation and Mechanical Circulatory Assist Device Programs. She is a nationally recognized heart failure expert and also practices at the VA San Diego Healthcare.
Cardiology - Heart Failure (cont.)

**Eugene Golts, MD**  
Cardiothoracic Surgeon  
Associate Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**  
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Surgery, Cardiology, Transplantation  
**Subspecialties:**  
Heart Failure, Lung Transplantation  
**Add'l Languages:**  
Russian, Ukrainian

**Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7777

**Bio:**  
Eugene Golts, MD, is a board-certified general and cardiothoracic surgeon who performs the full scope of cardiothoracic surgery and thoracic organ transplantation. Dr. Golts is surgical director of the Lung Transplant Program at UC San Diego Health.

**Paul J. Kim, MD**  
Cardiologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**  
Cardiology  
**Subspecialty:**  
Heart Failure

**Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**  
Encinitas - El Camino Real

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center: (858) 657-8530  
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (760) 697-3110

**Bio:**  
Paul Kim, MD, is a board-certified cardiologist who specializes in treating patients with advanced heart failure, including those who need ventricular assist devices (VADs) or heart transplants. Dr. Kim also has specialized training in performing and interpreting cardiovascular magnetic resonance (MRI) and cardiovascular computed tomography (CCT) studies.

**Barry H. Greenberg, MD, FHFS**  
Director, Advanced Heart Failure Treatment Program  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Cardiology, Transplantation  
**Subspecialties:**  
Heart Failure, Heart Transplantation  
**Add'l Language:**  
French

**Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**

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

**Bio:**  
Barry H. Greenberg, MD, is a board-certified cardiologist and internationally recognized pioneer in the field of heart failure. He directs the Advanced Heart Failure Treatment Program at UC San Diego Health.
Cardiology - Heart Failure (cont.)

Michael M Madani, MD, FACS
Division Chief, Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery
Executive Director, Surgery - Cardiovascular Institute
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cardiology, Transplantation, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Heart Transplantation, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Heart Failure

Add'l Language:
Persian

Jacobs Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7777

Bio:
Michael Madani, MD, is a board-certified cardiovascular surgeon who oversees a variety of surgical services at UC San Diego Health, including surgical treatment for heart failure, lung transplantation and pulmonary thromboendarterectomy (PTE). He is also an expert in minimally invasive heart surgery, mitral valve repair and off-pump bypass surgery.

Travis L. Pollema, DO
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Surgery, Cardiology, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Lung Transplantation, Heart Failure, Heart Transplantation

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Temecula Parkway

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7777

Bio:
Travis L. Pollema, DO, is a cardiothoracic surgeon who specializes in treating diseases of the heart and lungs. His expertise includes treating coronary artery disease with bypass surgery and valvular heart disease with valve repair or replacement. Dr. Pollema performs operations for patients with advanced stages of heart failure; patients needing mechanical circulatory support, including temporary and permanent ventricular assist devices (VADs); and those who have undergone or need heart and/or lung transplantation. He also implements and manages the care of those requiring extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO), a type of life support treatment that provides enough oxygen to a person while allowing time for their lungs and heart to rest or heal.
Cardiology - Heart Failure (cont.)

Victor (Gert) Pretorius, MBChB
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cardiology, Surgery, Transplantation
Subspecialties:
Heart Failure, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Heart Transplantation, Lung Transplantation
Add'l Language:
Afrikaans

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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

Bio:
Victor (Gert) Pretorius, MBChB, is a board-certified cardiothoracic surgeon who specializes in lead management. Pacemakers and implantable cardioverter-defibrillators (ICDs) deliver energy to the heart through thin, flexible wires called leads. When these leads are not working properly – because of infection, damage, or surrounding scar tissue – they need to be removed.

Farshad Raissi, MD, MPH, FHRS
Cardiac Electrophysiologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Cardiology
Subspecialties:
Electrophysiology, Heart Failure
Add'l Language:
Farsi

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5743

Bio:
Farshad Raissi, MD, MPH, is a board-certified cardiac electrophysiologist whose special clinical interest is in management of complex arrhythmias in heart failure, as well as device therapies for early and advanced heart disease.
Cardiology - Heart Failure (cont.)

Jorge E. Silva Enciso, MD
Cardiologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Cardiology, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Heart Transplantation, Heart Failure

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

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

Bio:
Jorge Silva Enciso, MD, is a board-certified advanced heart failure and transplant cardiologist. He cares for patients with progressive heart failure symptoms in need of advanced therapies or surgical treatments including ventricular assist devices (VADs) or heart transplantation.

Hao (Howie) Tran, MD
Cardiologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Cardiology

Subspecialty:
Heart Failure

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Temecula Parkway

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Temecula: (951) 303-0734
Direct Clinic Line - Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center: (858) 657-8530
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-5743

Bio:
Howie Tran, MD, is board-certified cardiologist who specializes in treating patients with end-stage or advanced heart failure. He cares for patients who require heart transplants and mechanical circulatory support devices, including ventricular assist devices (VADs) and percutaneous ventricular assist devices (PVADs). Dr. Tran is also experienced in right heart-catheterization with heart tissue biopsies.
Marcus A. Urey, MD
Cardiologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**
Cardiology, Transplantation

**Subspecialties:**
Heart Failure, Heart Transplantation

**Add'l Language:**
Spanish

**Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center**
**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**

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

**Bio:**
Marcus A. Urey, MD, is a board-certified cardiologist specializing in advanced heart failure, mechanical circulatory devices and heart transplantation. In addition to his expertise in caring for those with end stage heart failure, he has a special interest in the evaluation and treatment of adults with heart failure caused by congenital heart disease (heart defects that are present at birth). He works closely with pediatric and adult cardiovascular disease colleagues to improve quality and duration of life in this challenging patient population.
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