UC San Diego Health Physician Directory

From routine doctor visits to the most advanced procedures, our doctors are here for you. Our specialty care for complex conditions — including cancer, heart disease, neurosurgery, pulmonology and more — is rated among the nation’s best by *U.S. News & World Report*.

**For Patients**

**Make an Appointment**
Whether you need to be seen for an urgent condition today or are looking for a new primary care physician or specialty care provider, we can help. Call **800-926-8273** between 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

[health.ucsd.edu/request_appt](http://health.ucsd.edu/request_appt)

**Find a Provider**
Search by name, specialty, location or keyword to find the right provider for you.

[providers.ucsd.edu](http://providers.ucsd.edu)

**Physician Access Services**

**Refer a Patient or Request Consultation**
Call Physician Access Services at **855-543-0555** from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Transfer an Inpatient**
For hospital-to-hospital transfers, call **619-543-5709** (24-hour service) for instructions.
Locations

**La Jolla**
- **La Jolla Emergency**
  - Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
  - 9434 Medical Center Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

- **La Jolla Urgent Care**
  - 8910 Villa La Jolla Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

- **Orthopedics Urgent Care**
  - Sports Medicine
  - 4520 Executive Drive, Suite Plaza 1
  - San Diego, CA 92121

  - 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

  - 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 92037

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

- **Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion**
  - 9400 Campus Point Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

- **Perlman Medical Offices**
  - 9350 Campus Point Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037

- **Hillcrest**
  - **Hillcrest Emergency**
  - UC San Diego Medical Center
  - 200 West Arbor Drive
  - San Diego, CA 92103

  - 4th and Lewis Medical Offices
  - 330 Lewis Street
  - San Diego, CA 92103

  - Medical Offices North
  - 200 West Arbor Drive
  - San Diego, CA 92103

  - Medical Offices South
  - 4168 Front Street
  - San Diego, CA 92103

  - UC San Diego Medical Center
  - 200 West Arbor Drive
  - San Diego, CA 92103

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

- **Encinitas**
  - Includes **Encinitas Express Care (Suite 110)**
  - 1200 Garden View Road
  - Encinitas, CA 92024

  - 477 North El Camino Real
  - Encinitas, CA 92024

- **College Area**
  - 6719 Alvarado Road, Suite 302
  - San Diego, CA 92120

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

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

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

- **Scripps Ranch**
  - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd, Suite 200
  - San Diego, CA 92131

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

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

- **Temecula**
  - 31720 Temecula Parkway, Suite 100
  - Temecula, CA 92592
# Table of Contents

**Family Medicine**  
Integrative & Holistic Medicine .......................................................................................................................... 18.

**Surgery**  
Critical Care .......................................................................................................................................................... 38.  
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery .................................................................................................................. 41.  
Hepatobiliary Surgery ............................................................................................................................................. 49.  
Minimally Invasive Surgery ..................................................................................................................................... 52.  
Surgical Oncology ................................................................................................................................................... 62.  
Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery ............................................................................................................................ 68.  
Trauma ..................................................................................................................................................................... 69.  
Index ......................................................................................................................................................................... 72
Family Medicine

Family Medicine provides health care for all ages, genders and diseases — it is focused on knowledge of the patient in the context of family and community — stressing disease prevention and health promotion. Learn more about family medicine at UC San Diego Health System.

Heeran Abawi, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Carlsbad - 7710 El Camino Real
Downtown - Columbia St

Contact:
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 232-3500

Bio:
Heeran Abawi, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through One Medical, an independent, membership-based practice with an annual fee. She is a member of the UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Suraj A. Achar, MD, FAAFP
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine
Add'l Languages:
French, Spanish

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (844) 377-7678

Bio:
Suraj A. Achar, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. His expertise includes diagnosing, treating, and preventing injuries associated with athletics. He is highly experienced in ultrasound-guided diagnostics and procedures. Dr. Achar also provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Hadia Ashraf, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language:
Farsi

Contact:

Bio:
Hadia Ashraf, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. She is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Cristina Bailey, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Contact:
Bio:
Cristina Bailey, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. She is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Susan Behnawa, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:
Bio:
Susan Behnawa, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. She is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

David E.J. Bazzo, MD
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine
Add'l Languages:
Italian, Spanish

Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750

Bio:
David E.J. Bazzo, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. Dr. Bazzo’s expertise includes diagnosing, treating and preventing injuries associated with athletics. He also provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. Currently, he sees patients for sports injuries through referral.

Amruti Borad, DO
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

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

Bio:
Amruti Borad, DO, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, with a special interest in the management of chronic diseases, such as diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, kidney disease and liver disease. She also focuses on women's health, including contraception and menopause; all aspects of pediatrics and adolescent health; and the treatment of chronic pain with osteopathic manipulative therapy.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Patricia Brady, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Portuguese, Spanish

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Patricia Brady, MD, is a family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Daniel Camarillo, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Contact:

Bio:
Daniel Camarillo, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Anthony Bustamante, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

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

Bio:
Anthony Bustamante, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children, adolescents, adults, and seniors. He provides preventative care, as well as the diagnosis of acute and chronic diseases, including diabetes, chronic heart disease, chronic kidney disease, asthma, depression and anxiety and many dermatologic conditions.

Nicholas Canelo, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:

Bio:
Nicholas Canelo, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through Perlman Clinic, an independent practice with clinic offices throughout San Diego. He is a member of the UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Terri L Cheng, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Terri Cheng, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full spectrum of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children and adults. She has a special interest in women’s health care, including well-women care, contraception and family planning, and outpatient gynecological procedures such as endometrial biopsies and colposcopy. She believes in treating the person as a whole and the importance of good patient-provider communication.

Belen S. Clark, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Language:
Tagalog

Contact:

Bio:
Belen S. Clark, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician providing primary care at Optimas Family Medicine, an independent practice in Vista, CA. She is a member of the UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Lisa M. Coles, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

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

Bio:
Lisa Coles, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children, adolescents, adults, and seniors. She provides preventative care, as well as the diagnosis of acute and chronic disease and also provides in-office based procedures such as skin biopsies, joint injections, and contraception.

Matthew Combs, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:

Bio:
Matthew Combs, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Walter F. Combs, MD
Primary Care Physician

Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:

Bio:
Walter Combs, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

---

Laura H. DiPaolo, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750

Bio:
Laura DiPaolo, MD, is a board-certified family physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including infants, children, adults and seniors. She is skilled in chronic disease management while also focused on preventive medicine and helping patients strive for their best health. Dr. DiPaolo’s expertise includes well women care such as contraception, including intrauterine devices (IUDs) and birth control implants, as well as performing endometrial biopsies and colposcopy for abnormal Pap test results.

---

Rina S. Edi, MD
Primary Care Physician

LA JOLLA - 9333 GENESSEE AVENUE

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Rina Edi, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including infants, children, adults and seniors. She is skilled in chronic disease management while also focused on preventive medicine and helping patients strive for their best health. Dr. Edi’s expertise includes women's health issues, contraception, performing sports/school physicals, and nutrition and weight management.

---

Linda S. Falconio, MD
Primary Care Physician

Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:

Bio:
Linda Falconio, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care at an independent practice in Vista, CA. She is a member of the UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Jeffrey Ferber, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider
Specialties: Primary Care, Family Medicine
Bio:
Jeffrey Ferber, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine physician providing primary care through Tri-City Primary Care. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Geneen T. Gin, DO
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health
Specialties: Primary Care, Family Medicine
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750
Bio:
Geneen T. Gin, DO, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including prenatal care, newborn care and acute hospital care.

Charles Frederick Fraley, III, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider
Specialties: Primary Care, Family Medicine
Bio:
Charles Fraley, III, DO, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Susan M. Glockner, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider
Specialties: Primary Care, Family Medicine
Contact:
Bio:
Susan M. Glockner, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the North Coast Family Medical Group. She is a member of the UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Cecilia Gutierrez, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750

Bio:
Cecilia Gutierrez, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Esmatullah (Esmat) Hatamy, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Languages:
Arabic, Farsi, Pashto, Urdu

Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750

Bio:
Esmatullah Hatamy, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Rolando Gutierrez, MD
Primary Care Physician

Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Bio:
Rolando Gutierrez, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Melissa Hurd, MD
Primary Care Physician

Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:

Bio:
Melissa Hurd, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care at an independent practice in Vista, CA. She is a member of the UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Tyson Ikeda, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

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

Bio:
Tyson Ikeda, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor and clinical service chief of Family Medicine at UC San Diego Health. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Tae-Woong Im, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Language:
Korean

Contact:

Bio:
Tae-Woong Im, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Yewah Jung, DO, MPH
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon
Encinitas - Encinitas Blvd

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Rancho Bernardo: (858) 605-4452
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (760) 452-7965

Bio:
Yewah Jung, DO, MPH, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to providing full-spectrum primary care to adults and children. Her practice emphasizes preventive care, as well as the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She has a particular interest in dermatological and family planning procedures. As an osteopath, she believes in the mission to care for the whole person and finds great happiness to be part of her patients’ lives.

Martin Luther Kabongo, MD, PhD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Languages:
French, Lingala, Spanish, Swahili, Tshiluba

Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750

Bio:
Martin Luther Kabongo, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Family Medicine (cont.)

**Robert Y. Lee, MD**
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

*Specialties:*
Primary Care, Family Medicine  

*Add'l Language:*
Korean

*Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd*

*Contact:*
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750

*Bio:*
Robert Y. Lee, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides primary care for children and adults, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

**Amy Leu, DO**
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

*Specialties:*
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine  

*Add'l Language:*
Spanish

*Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd  
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive*

*Contact:*
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750

*Bio:*
Amy Leu, DO, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. Her expertise includes diagnosing, treating and preventing injuries associated with athletics, including acute and stress fractures, sprains and overuse injuries. She also provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

**Dustin Lillie, MD**
Primary Care Physician  
Clinical Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

*Specialties:*
Primary Care, Family Medicine

*Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd*

*Contact:*
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750

*Bio:*
Dustin Lillie, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

**Kurtis Lindeman, MD**
Primary Care Physician  
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

*Specialties:*
Primary Care, Family Medicine

*Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices*

*Contact:*
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260  
Fax: (619) 471-9300

*Bio:*
Kurtis Lindeman, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor and psychiatrist. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Allison M. Lynch, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Allison Lynch, MD, is a board-certified family physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children, adolescents, adults and seniors. She is skilled in chronic disease management while also focused on preventive medicine and helping patients strive for their best health.

Richard Eric James Madrid, MD
Primary Care Physician

Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:

Bio:
Eric Madrid, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Talha Memon, MD
Primary Care Physician

Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Family Medicine, Primary Care
Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Urdu

Contact:

Bio:
Talha Memon, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Sarah Merrill, MD
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8200

Bio:
Sarah Merrill, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. In addition to diagnosing and treating injuries associated with athletics, Dr. Merrill provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She also has a special interest in rehabilitating individuals with yoga injuries, as well as performing ultrasound guided diagnostics and procedures.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Brandon Miller, DO
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:

Bio:
Brandon Miller, DO, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Georgiana Miller, DO
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Language:
Tagalog

Contact:

Bio:
Georgiana Miller, DO, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. She is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Cassandra Morn, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:
Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd

Bio:
Cassandra Morn, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Sheldon Morris, MD, MPH
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Bio:
Sheldon Morris, MD, MPH, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. He has special training in preventive medicine.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Loren S. Novak, DO
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider
Specialties: Primary Care, Family Medicine
Contact: Direct Clinic Line: (858) 534-9061
Bio: Loren Novak, DO, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through Tri-City Primary Care. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Richard (Willie) Novotny, MD
Primary Care Physician
Specialties: Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language: Spanish
Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
Contact: New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260
Bio: Richard Novotny, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children and adults. He is skilled in chronic disease management while also focused on preventive medicine and helping patients strive for their best health.

Chad Osborne, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health
Specialties: Primary Care, Family Medicine
La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue
Contact: New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600
Bio: Chad Osborne, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor at La Jolla Family and Sports Medicine. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Michael Pietila, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider
Specialties: Primary Care, Family Medicine
Contact: New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 453-9061
Bio: Michael Pietila, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through Tri-City Primary Care. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Akbar Rahman, MD, MPH
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Languages:
French, Spanish, Swahili

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Akbar Rahman, MD, MPH, is a board-certified family physician who sees patients of all ages - children, adolescents, and adults. From routine check-ups for children, to well-woman care, to the care of more medically complex patients with chronic conditions such as diabetes and hypertension, he believes in taking a thorough, patient-centered approach to those under his care.

Divya K. Reddy, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Divya K. Reddy, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who cares for patients of all ages. She provides primary care to infants and children and adults and seniors, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. As a family physician with advanced training in obstetrics care, Dr. Reddy can provide prenatal care and deliver babies. She also provides well woman care, including health care maintenance and contraception.

Maisara Rahman, MD
Primary Care Physician

Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:

Bio:
Maisara Rahman, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. She is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Rebecca L Rosen, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Languages:
French, Italian, Spanish

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Rebecca L. Rosen, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Elizabeth Rosenblum, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Elizabeth Rosenblum, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She is committed to providing compassionate and comprehensive care to individuals and families. Due to her extensive background in maternal-child health, Dr. Rosenblum focuses primarily on the care of pregnant women and of newborns, children and adolescents. She is also a member of a multidisciplinary team that cares for pregnant women in the Diabetes and Pregnancy Program.

Alan Shahtaji, DO
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Alan Shahtaji, DO, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. He directs UC San Diego Health's Sports Concussion Clinic, which offers comprehensive care for concussion assessment and management. As an osteopathic physician, Dr. Shahtaji has a whole-body approach to medicine. His areas of expertise include musculoskeletal ultrasound, fracture management, osteopathic manual medicine for sports injuries, and treating non-operative orthopedic problems; as well as a special interest in exercise and nutrition.

Holly Salzman, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Scripps Ranch - 9909 Mira Mesa Blvd

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7750

Bio:
Holly Salzman, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Pamela A. Wong Simmons, MD
Primary Care Physician

Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Contact:

Bio:
Pamela Wong Simmons, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. She is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Kenneth S. Taylor, MD
Primary Care Physician and Sports Medicine Specialist
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Sports Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Kenneth S. Taylor, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who specializes in sports medicine. His expertise includes diagnosing, treating, and preventing athletic injuries. Dr. Taylor has a particular interest in using musculoskeletal ultrasound to perform diagnostic and therapeutic treatments. He also provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Hang Tran, DO, MPH
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language:
Vietnamese

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

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

Bio:
Hang Tran, DO, is a board-certified family medicine doctor who treats patients of all ages, including children, adolescents, adults, and seniors. She focuses on preventive care, as well as the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. Dr. Tran also focuses on weight management and osteopathic manipulative therapy. She performs a variety of office procedures, including skin biopsies, joint injections, and laceration repairs.

Christine Thorne, MD, MPH
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Christine Thorne, MD, provides primary care for adults and families, including preventive care and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Amy Trewella, MD
Primary Care Physician

Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Bio:
Amy Trewella, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care in Poway. She is a member of the UC San Diego Health Physician Network.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Katherine Uvelli, MD
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Language:
French

Contact:
Bio:
Katherine Uvelli, MD, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the San Diego Sports Medicine & Family Health Center. She is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Rome Charles Walter, DO
Primary Care Physician
Affiliated Provider

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Contact:
Bio:
Rome Walter, DO, is a board-certified physician providing primary care through the Rancho Family Medical Group. He is a member of UC San Diego Health Physician Network.

Anna Van Niekerk, DO
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Languages:
Afrikaans, Spanish

Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

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

Bio:
Anna Van Niekerk, DO, is a board-certified family medicine doctor dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children, adults, and seniors. She provides preventative care, as well as the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic conditions. Dr. Van Niekerk also sees patients for dermatological concerns and women's health.

Mary Wang, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Add'l Languages:
Korean, Mandarin

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Mary Wang, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Regina M. Wang, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Add'l Languages:
American Sign Language (ASL), Mandarin, Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Regina M. Wang, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.

Lesley D. Wilkinson, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Lesley D. Wilkinson, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages and in all stages of their life, including preventive care, women's healthcare, pediatric care, and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She treats the whole family and develops long-term relationships with her patients. She also provides prenatal care for women, delivers babies, and cares for new families postpartum.

Jennifer J. Wu, MD,
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Jennifer J. Wu, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages and in all stages of their life, including preventive care, women’s healthcare, pediatric care, and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She treats the whole family and develops long-term relationships with her patients. She also provides prenatal care for women, delivers babies, and cares for new families postpartum.

Lesley D. Wilkinson, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Lesley D. Wilkinson, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Family Medicine - Integrative & Holistic Medicine

Julie Çelebi, MD
Primary Care Physician
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Subspecialty:
Integrative & Holistic Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Julie Çelebi, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children and adults. She is skilled in chronic disease management while also focused on preventive medicine and helping patients strive for their best health.

Melanie R. Fiorella, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Subspecialty:
Integrative & Holistic Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

Bio:
Melanie Fiorella, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. She provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. She has a special interest in women’s health, mood disorders, back pain, gastrointestinal disorders and sleep problems.
Gene A. Kallenberg, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Family Medicine

**Subspecialty:**
Integrative & Holistic Medicine

**Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

**Bio:**
Gene Kallenberg, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. With integrative medicine, Dr. Kallenberg brings complementary approaches to his patient's overall care plan including mindfulness-based stress reduction, whole food/plant based nutrition approaches and body work approaches like yoga, massage, acupuncture and Tai-Chi.

Deepa Sannidhi, MD
Primary Care Physician

**Specialties:**
Primary Care, Family Medicine

**Subspecialty:**
Integrative & Holistic Medicine

**Add'l Language:**
Telugu

**Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9260

**Bio:**
Deepa Sannidhi, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician dedicated to practicing the full breadth of primary care and caring for patients of all ages, including children, adolescents, adults and seniors. Trained in preventive medicine, Dr. Sannidhi provides chronic disease management and also helps people prevent and treat disease through lifestyle and integrative medicine. Her expertise includes women's health, integrative medicine, and lifestyle medicine, which uses evidence-based therapeutic approaches such as nutrition, exercise, stress management, sleep and other non-drug modalities, to decrease disease risk and illness.

Gordon Saxe, MD

**Specialty:**
Family Medicine

**Subspecialty:**
Integrative & Holistic Medicine

**La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

**Bio:**
Gordon Saxe, MD, is a board-certified family medicine doctor. He provides care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Family Medicine - Integrative & Holistic Medicine (cont.)

Daniel Slater, MD
Primary Care Physician
Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine
Subspecialty:
Integrative & Holistic Medicine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Daniel Slater, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. He also offers consultations in integrative medicine through UC San Diego’s [Center for Integrative Medicine](https://health.ucsd.edu), which focuses on whole-person wellness by addressing physical, lifestyle, psychological, and spiritual needs. Integrative therapies recommended often include, but are not limited to, complementary modalities such as acupuncture, osteopathic manipulation, mindfulness, acupressure, specific movement therapies, and natural supplements.

Jesse Sozanski, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Family Medicine, Primary Care
Subspecialty:
Integrative & Holistic Medicine

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8600

Bio:
Jesse Sozanski, MD, is a board-certified family medicine physician who has expertise in medical acupuncture and mind-body medicine. He provides primary care for patients of all ages, including preventive care and treatment of acute and chronic diseases.
Surgery
The branch of medicine that uses surgery in the treatment of disease, injury or disorders. Learn more about surgery at UC San Diego Health System.

Michael E. Albo, MD
Co-Director, Women’s Pelvic Medicine Center
Vice Chair, Department of Urology
Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Incontinence, Urogynecology

Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-8737
Direct Clinic Line - Urology: (858) 657-7876

Bio:
Michael E. Albo, MD, is a board-certified urologist who specializes in voiding dysfunction, urinary incontinence, urodynamics, female urology, pelvic floor reconstruction, and urogenital conditions caused by neurologic disorders. Dr. Albo’s expertise includes performing pelvic floor reconstruction surgeries in both women and men; surgery for urinary incontinence; neuromodulation; and botulinum toxin (Botox) injections. He is also trained in a wide variety of medical and surgical techniques to manage voiding disorders and prostate disorders in men.

John Alksne, MD
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
John F. Alksne, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who focuses on the care of patients with neurological conditions such as trigeminal neuralgia (tic doloreux/facial pain), facial tic, glossopharyngeal neuralgia, and acoustic neuroma.

David Barba, MD, FAANS
Neurosurgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
David Barba, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon focusing on surgical treatment of people with epilepsy and movement disorders.
Andrew Barleben, MD
Vascular Surgeon
Assistant Clinical Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Vascular Surgery, Surgery

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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

Bio:
Andrew Barleben, MD, is a board-certified vascular surgeon, specializing in the treatment of a variety of conditions and diseases, including thoracic and abdominal aortic disease, carotid artery disease, cerebrovascular disease, peripheral artery disease, renal artery disease, mesenteric artery disease, peripheral vascular disease, varicose veins, venous ulceration and deep vein thrombosis.

Sharona Ben-Haim, MD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery

Subspecialty:
Spine

Add'l Languages:
Hebrew, Spanish

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Sharona Ben-Haim, MD, is a neurosurgeon who specializes in caring for people with treatment-resistant epilepsy, chronic pain including facial pain and trigeminal neuralgia, spasticity, and movement disorders such as Parkinson’s disease, dystonia and essential tremor. She performs deep brain stimulation (DBS) surgeries, including “awake” microelectrode-guided DBS and “asleep” MRI- and CT-guided DBS.

Stephen Bickler, MD
Professor of Surgery and Pediatrics

Specialty:
Surgery

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

Bio:
Dr. Bickler is a pediatric surgeon whose dedication to children has taken him to distant places. He recently spent more than two and a half years in The Gambia in West Africa as Consulting Pediatric Surgeon at the Royal Victoria Hospital in Banjul and the Medical Research Council Laboratories in Fajara.

Kevin Thomas Brumund, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, General Otolaryngology (ENT), Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Kevin Brumund, MD, is a board-certified head and neck surgeon whose practice is dedicated solely to the treatment of head and neck tumors. Dr. Brumund has extensive training and experience in cancer surgery and specializes in treating both benign and malignant tumors of the head and neck. This includes tumors of the entire upper aerodigestive tract (mouth, throat, nose, sinuses, and voice box), salivary glands (parotid and submandibular glands), neck, facial skin, thyroid and parathyroid glands.
Jill Buckley, MD
Urologist
Associate Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery

Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7876

Bio:
Jill Buckley, MD, is a board-certified, urologic trauma reconstruction surgeon. She has a special interest in caring for patients who have complex urinary conditions including urethral stricture, hypospadias and benign prostate hyperplasia, as well as individuals who have complications in the genitourinary area as a result of trauma or prostate cancer treatment.

Charles Coffey, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6631

Bio:
Charles Coffey, MD is a board-certified otolaryngologist and fellowship-trained head and neck cancer surgeon who specializes in diagnosing and treating patients with a broad range of benign and malignant tumors of the head and neck.

Joseph D Ciacci, MD
Neurosurgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Joseph Ciacci, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon with extensive experience in neuro-oncology of the spine and brain. Dr. Ciacci's primary interests are tumors of the spine and brain, complex spinal reconstruction, and stereotactic radiosurgery, a form of radiation therapy that focuses high-power energy on a small area of the body.

Joelle M. Coletta, MD, FACS
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Surgery

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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

Bio:
Joelle Coletta, MD, is a cardiothoracic surgeon and chief of the cardiothoracic surgery section at the Veterans Administration Hospital affiliated with UC San Diego. She also performs both cardiac and thoracic operations at Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center.
Surgery (cont.)

Dana Curtis Covey, MD  
Orthopedic Surgeon and Sports Medicine Physician  
Clinical Professor of Orthopedic Surgery

Specialties:  
Sports Medicine, Orthopedics, Surgery

Encinitas - Garden View Road

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

Bio:  
Dana Covey, MD, is a board-certified orthopedic surgeon. He specializes in sports medicine with an emphasis on knee and shoulder injuries. Dr. Covey sees patients with knee ligament tears and shoulder dislocation.

Adam DeConde, MD  
Head and Neck Surgeon  
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:  
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery

Subspecialty:  
Sinus & Rhinology

La Jolla -Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8590

Bio:  
Adam DeConde, MD, is a board-certified head and neck surgeon who specializes in treating endoscopic sinus surgery and skull base tumors.

Ithaar H. Derweesh, MD  
Urologic Oncologist  
Professor of Urology and Radiology

Specialties:  
Urology, Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:  
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Urologic Cancer, Urologic Cancer

Add'l Language:  
French

Jacobs Medical Center  
La Jolla -Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7876

Bio:  
Ithaar Derweesh, MD, is a board-certified urologist who subspecializes in urologic tumors and malignancies. He leads the surgical arm of UC San Diego Health’s multidisciplinary program for management of kidney cancer.

Marek Dobke, MD  
Plastic Surgeon  
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:  
Plastic Surgery, Surgery

Subspecialty:  
Cosmetic Surgery

Add'l Language:  
Polish

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 294-3746

Bio:  
Marek Dobke, MD, is a board-certified plastic surgeon with expertise in aesthetic and reconstructive surgery of the breast and in facial rejuvenation, as well as in the application of new technologies in cosmetic surgery.
Surgery (cont.)

Samuel Eisenstein, MD
Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialty:
Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8860
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6880

Bio:
Samuel Eisenstein, MD, is a colon and rectal surgeon, specializing in the treatment of colon cancer and other intestinal disorders, including Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis. He is an expert in the surgical treatment of anorectal disorders such as hemorrhoids, fistulas and fissures.

Rick A. Friedman, MD, PhD
Neurotologist
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery

Subspecialties:
Otolaryngology / Skull-Base Surgery, Hearing & Balance Disorders

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices: (858) 657-8590
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Rick Friedman, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurotologist, a specialist who treats neurological disorders of the ear. He is a world-renowned expert in the treatment of acoustic neuroma, a benign tumor that develops on the main nerve connecting the ear to the brain. In addition to leading the acoustic neuroma program at UC San Diego Health, he also treats meningioma, neurofibromatosis type 2 (NF2), glomus tumors, hearing impairment, otosclerosis, Meniere's disease, cholesteatoma, superior canal dehiscence and chronic ear infections.
Surgery (cont.)

Steven Robert Garfin, MD
Orthopedic Surgeon
Interim Dean, UC San Diego School of Medicine

Specialties:
Surgery, Orthopedics
Subspecialty:
Spine

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8200

Bio:
Steven Garfin, MD, is a board-certified and world-renowned orthopedic surgeon specializing in the adult spine. He is consistently elected as a top doctor in San Diego Magazine’s “Physicians of Exceptional Excellence” annual survey performed in collaboration with the San Diego County Medical Society.

Paul Joseph Girard, MD
Orthopedic Surgeon
Associate Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Orthopedics
Subspecialty:
Orthopedic Trauma

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8200

Bio:
Paul Girard, MD, is a board-certified orthopedic surgeon who specializes in orthopedic trauma and surgery to treat fractured or broken bones. He also cares for patients with complications arising from traumatic orthopedic injuries and has extensive experience in delivering care in emergency settings. Dr Girard has particular interest and expertise in complex lower extremity reconstruction, post-traumatic deformity correction, and treatment of post-traumatic osteomyelitis.
Surgery (cont.)

Eugene Golts, MD
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiovascular (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.

Amanda A. Gosman, MD
Chief, Division of Plastic Surgery
Director of Craniofacial and Pediatric Plastic Surgery
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Plastic Surgery, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Cosmetic Surgery, Reconstructive Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 294-3746

Bio:
Amanda A. Gosman, MD, is a board-certified plastic surgeon who specializes in cleft lip and palate surgery, pediatric and adult craniofacial surgery, microsurgical facial reanimation, breast reconstruction and cosmetic surgery.

Jeffrey P. Harris, MD, PhD
Division Chief, Otolaryngology
Distinguished Professor

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery

Subspecialties:
Otology & Neurotology / Skull-Base Surgery, Facial Nerve Disorders, Hearing & Balance Disorders

Add'l Language:
French

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8590

Bio:
Dr. Harris is a neuro-otologic surgeon who deals with disorders of the ear, hearing and balance, and tumors that affect the skull base.
Surgery (cont.)

Steven Howe, MD  
Cardiothoracic Surgeon  
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:  
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Surgery

Murrieta - California Oaks Rd

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

Bio:  
Steven Howe, MD, is a board-certified cardiothoracic surgeon who specializes in treating a wide range of cardiovascular diseases, including aortic valve disease, coronary artery disease, and other peripheral and major vascular conditions. Dr. Howe performs adult cardiothoracic surgery, including peripheral and major vascular surgery, thoracic and abdominal endovascular surgery and thoracic trauma surgery.

Alexander A. Khalessi, MD, FAANS  
Chair, Neurological Surgery  
Professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences

Specialties:  
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Stroke Care, Cancer

Subspecialties:  
Neurological Oncology, Endovascular Neurosurgery, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Languages:  
Farsi, Spanish

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

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:  
Alexander A. Khalessi, MD, MBA, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who specializes in cranial and endovascular surgery. He is chair of the Department of Neurosurgery and professor of Surgery, Radiology and Neurosciences. He provides both open surgical and catheter-based approaches to complex neurosurgical problems, including brain tumors, aneurysms, arteriovenous malformations (AVM) and carotid disease. His vascular training informs his surgical approach to complex tumors in the brain. He is a fellow of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons (FAANS), American Heart Association Stroke Council (FAHA), and senior member of the Society of NeuroInterventional Surgery (SNIS).

T. Mike Hsieh, MD  
Urologist  
Director, Men’s Health Center  
Associate Professor of Urology

Specialties:  
Urology, Infertility, Surgery

Subspecialty:  
Male Infertility

Add'l Languages:  
Mandarin, Taiwanese

La Jolla - 9333 Genesee Avenue

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7876

Bio:  
T. Mike Hsieh, MD, is a board-certified urologist specializing in male fertility and men’s health. He treats men with sexual dysfunction including low testosterone, erectile dysfunction, and Peyronie’s disease. He also treats male infertility including men with ejaculatory disorder, hormone imbalance, sperm production impairment, cancer, and genetic causes of infertility.
Surgery (cont.)

Samuel H. Lance, MD
Plastic Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties: Plastic Surgery, Surgery, Burn
Subspecialties: Cosmetic Surgery, Reconstructive Surgery
Additional Language: Spanish

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (619) 294-3746

Bio:
Samuel Lance, MD, is a plastic surgeon who specializes in both cosmetic and reconstructive plastic surgery, with expertise in adult and pediatric craniofacial surgery. He is the director of adult craniofacial surgery (i.e., surgery related to the mouth, jaws, face, skull and associated structures).

Michael Levy, MD, PhD
Chief of Pediatric Neurosurgery
Professor of Surgery

Specialties: Neurosurgery, Surgery

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

Bio:
Michael L. Levy, MD, PhD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon at UC San Diego Health and chief of pediatric neurosurgery at Rady Children's Hospital San Diego. Dr. Levy's primary surgical interests are in pediatric and vascular neurosurgery.

John Lane, MD
Interim Chief, Vascular Surgery

Specialties: Vascular Surgery, Surgery

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

Bio:
John Lane, MD, is an interim chief of vascular surgery who oversees a variety of vascular services at UC San Diego Health, including surgical treatment for peripheral artery disease, aneurysms, vascular trauma, and thoracic aortic emergencies.

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, Lung Transplantation, Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE), Heart Failure
Additional Language: Persian

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 the surgical director of the Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE) Program, and is also an expert in minimally invasive heart surgery, mitral valve repair and off-pump bypass surgery.
Surgery (cont.)

Lawrence Marshall, MD
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Spine

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Lawrence Marshall, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon and an internationally renowned expert in traumatic head injury. Dr. Marshall's surgical interests cover all of neurosurgery but especially diseases of the spine and spinal cord, brain tumors, and peripheral nerves.

Andrew Nguyen, MD, PhD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Spine
Add'l Language:
Vietnamese

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Andrew Nguyen, MD, PhD, is a neurosurgeon who specializes in endovascular treatments for neurovascular diseases and minimally invasive spine surgery.

Quyen Nguyen, MD, PhD
Otolaryngologist
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery
Subspecialties:
Otology & Neurotology / Skull-Base Surgery, Hearing & Balance Disorders, Facial Nerve Disorders
Add'l Languages:
French, Vietnamese

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8590

Bio:
Quyen T. Nguyen, MD, PhD, is a board-certified head and neck surgeon who specializes in neurotology, or the management of diseases of the inner ear, temporal bone, and skull base, including tumors and other conditions. Her main focus is in cochlear implants for hearing restoration and facial nerve surgery.
Surgery (cont.)

Erik L Owens, MD
Vascular Surgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Vascular Surgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Endovascular Surgery
Add'l Language:
Norwegian

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

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

Bio:
Erik Owens, MD, is a board-certified vascular surgeon. He is engaged in several clinical studies with interests in aortic aneurysms, treatment of venous stasis ulcers and minimally invasive bypass procedures. He serves as co-director for the Endovascular Training Center at the San Diego VA Medical Center.

C. Lowell Parsons, MD
Urologist
Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3572

Bio:
C. Lowell Parsons, MD, is a board-certified urologist who diagnoses and treats all urologic disorders, and specializes in caring for patients who have interstitial cystitis (IC). Internationally recognized as a leading physician and researcher in IC, he has developed major new diagnostic tools and treatments for the disease and has published over 225 medical journal articles and textbook chapters. Health care professionals from around the world have visited his clinic and attended his lectures to learn the latest techniques for detecting and treating IC.

J. Kellogg Parsons, MD
Urologist
Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Urologic Cancer

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7876

Bio:
J. Kellogg Parsons, MD, is a board-certified urologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating prostate cancer. He directs clinical trials for the Department of Urology at UC San Diego Health's Moores Cancer Center.
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

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.

Victor (Gert) Pretorius, MBChB
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Surgical Director of Heart Transplant
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. Dr. Pretorius performs a minimally invasive procedure called laser lead extraction to cut through scar tissue surrounding the lead, allowing it to be easily removed.

Mark Rechnic, MD
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Plastic Surgery

Subspecialties:
Cosmetic Surgery, Reconstructive Surgery

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Surgery (cont.)

Naohide Sakakibara, MD
Thoracic Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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

Bio:
UC San Diego Health Links

Yahir A. Santiago-Lastra, MD
Urologist/Urogynecologist
Assistant Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Incontinence, Urogynecology
Add'l Languages:
French, Spanish

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Urology: (858) 657-7876
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-8737

Bio:
Yahir Santiago-Lastra, MD, is a urologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating a wide range of urogenital conditions in both men and women, including those caused by neurologic disorders. These include pelvic organ prolapse, urinary incontinence, voiding dysfunction, overactive bladder, neurogenic bladder, ureteral stricture, and post-prostatectomy incontinence, among other pelvic floor disorders. Her other areas of expertise include procedures such as neuromodulation for overactive bladder, bladder augmentation and urinary diversion. She also works with patients with congenital urologic malformations who are transitioning from pediatric to adult care.
Alexandra K. Schwartz, MD  
Chief, Orthopedic Trauma  
Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

**Specialties:**  
Orthopedics, Surgery  
**Subspecialty:**  
Orthopedic Trauma  
**Add'l Languages:**  
German, Spanish

---

**La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion**  
**Jacobs Medical Center**  
**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**  
**Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6312  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8200

**Bio:**  
Alexandra Schwartz, MD, is a board-certified orthopedic surgeon. She specializes in orthopedic trauma and surgery to treat fractured or broken bones, including clavicle, pelvic, foot, ankle, arm, elbow, knee, and shoulder injuries. Dr. Schwartz also cares for patients with complications from these injuries, such as infections and poor-healing or non-healing bones. As an orthopedic traumatologist, she has expertise working in emergency settings and with people whose injuries were caused by accidents or violence.

---

Marc S. Schwartz, MD  
Neurosurgeon

**Specialties:**  
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer  
**Subspecialties:**  
Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Neurological Oncology

**Moores Cancer Center**  
**La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive**  
**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (619) 543-5540  
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices: (858) 657-8590  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

**Bio:**  
Marc Schwartz, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who is an internationally renowned expert on the treatment of patients with acoustic neuromas, skull base tumors, and neurofibromatosis type 2 (NF2). He is also the recognized neurosurgical leader in the field of auditory brainstem implants. In addition, Dr. Schwartz treats complex cranial problems, meningiomas, brain tumors, pituitary tumors, cranial nerve disorders, and intradural spine tumors.
Ahmed S. Suliman, MD
Plastic Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Plastic Surgery, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Cosmetic Surgery, Reconstructive Surgery
Add'l Language:
Arabic

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 294-3746

Bio:
Ahmed Suliman, MD, is a board-certified plastic surgeon who performs a broad spectrum of aesthetic (cosmetic) and reconstructive procedures to address the effects of a medical condition or injury, or to enhance one’s appearance.

Mayer Tenenhaus, MD
Assistant Clinical Professor

Specialties:
Plastic Surgery, Surgery, Burn

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 294-3746

Bio:
UC San Diego Health Links

Hoi Sang U, MD
Neurosurgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-0798
Fax: (619) 471-3931

Bio:
Hoi Sang U, MD, is a board-certified neurosurgeon who is an internationally recognized specialist in the treatment of vascular anomalies known as AVMs. Patients have traveled to UCSD from as far away as Australia, Hong Kong, the Sultanate of Brunei, Africa and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to take advantage of his expertise.
Surgery (cont.)

Andrew Vahabzadeh-Hagh, MD
Otolaryngologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery
Subspecialties:
General Otolaryngology (ENT), Laryngology
Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8590

Bio:
Andrew Vahabzadeh-Hagh, MD, is a board-certified otolaryngologist/head and neck surgeon who treats disorders of the ear, nose and throat. As a fellowship-trained laryngologist, Dr. Vahabzadeh-Hagh specializes in treating diseases of the larynx in both the clinic and in surgery, including complex airway, voice and swallowing disorders. This includes vocal fold paralysis or paresis, dysphonia secondary to benign or malignant laryngeal lesions, neurolaryngologic disorders such as spasmodic dysphonia, laryngeal tremor, vocal cord dysfunction, paradoxical vocal fold motion, professional voice, voice masculinization and feminization, and chronic cough.

Deborah Watson, MD
Surgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery
Subspecialties:
Facial Plastic Surgery, General Otolaryngology (ENT)

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8590

Bio:
Deborah Watson, MD, is a board-certified surgeon focusing on rhinoplasty (plastic surgery of the nose), nasal reconstruction, external ear reconstruction, and cosmetic facial plastic surgery.

Philip Weissbrod, MD
Director, Center for Voice and Swallowing
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Surgery
Subspecialty:
Laryngology

La Jolla - 8899 University Center Lane

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8590

Bio:
Philip Weissbrod, MD, is a board-certified otolaryngologist who has expertise in utilizing surgical and behavioral therapies to treat voice and swallowing conditions, including chronic cough, laryngeal tumors and dysplasia, neurological voice abnormalities, swallowing inability (due to head and neck cancer or neurologic disorder), and narrowing or scarring of the pharynx, larynx, subglottis or trachea.
Surgery (cont.)

Jason Woo, MD
Urologist
Assistant Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Kidney Stones, Urologic Cancer

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7876

Bio:
Jason Woo, MD, is a board-certified urologist who provides medical and surgical treatment for a wide range of urologic problems in men and women. His clinical interests include general urology, prostate disease, urologic cancers and stones in the urinary tract.

Vinko Zlomislic, MD
Orthopedic Surgeon
Associate Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery

Specialties:
Orthopedics, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Spine

Encinitas - Garden View Road
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8200

Bio:
Vinko Zlomislic, MD, is a board-certified orthopedic surgeon who specializes in the surgical and nonsurgical management of cervical, thoracic, and lumbar spine disorders. His expertise includes treating degenerative conditions of the cervical and lumbar spine, spinal trauma and infections, and spinal reconstruction for complex spinal deformity and tumors. Dr. Zlomislic emphasizes nonoperative management, recommending surgery only when conservative measures have failed. If surgical treatment is necessary, he uses minimally invasive methods whenever possible.
Surgery - Critical Care

Allison E. Berndtson, MD, FACS
Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialty:
Surgery
Subspecialties:
Trauma, Critical Care

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-7200

Bio:
Allison Berndtson, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who cares for patients who have experienced traumatic injuries, such as a fall or motor vehicle collision, as well as those requiring elective or emergency surgery for general surgical issues, such as appendicitis, gallstones and hernias.

Todd W. Costantini, MD, FACS
Surgical Intensivist
Associate Professor of Surgery
Medical Director, Trauma

Specialty:
Surgery
Subspecialties:
Trauma, Critical Care

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-7200
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6886
Trauma Center: (619) 543-7200

Bio:
Todd W. Costantini, MD, is a board-certified surgical intensivist. He is the assistant director of UC San Diego Health's Level 1 Trauma Center, which provides the highest quality of comprehensive care for patients who have been severely injured from car accidents, falls, violence, gunshot wounds, fires and burns, and drowning.
Surgery - Critical Care (cont.)

Jay J. Doucet, MD, FRCSC, FACS
Chief, Division of Trauma, Surgical Critical Care, Burns, and Acute Care Surgery
Medical Director, Surgical Intensive Care Unit
Medical Director, Emergency Preparedness and Response
Professor of Surgery

Specialty: Surgery
Subspecialties: Critical Care, Trauma

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Surgery: (619) 543-6886
Trauma Center: (619) 543-7200

Bio:
Jay Doucet, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who serves as chief of the Division of Trauma, Surgical Critical Care, Burns, and Acute Care Surgery and as medical director of both the Surgical Intensive Care Unit and Emergency Preparedness and Response at UC San Diego Health. He performs trauma and general surgery and provides surgical critical care to patients. His areas of expertise include chest and abdominal injury, rib plating (an operation to fix broken ribs), abdominal sepsis, diverticular disease, abdominal and groin hernia, gallbladder disease and soft tissue infections.

Laura Godat, MD, FACS
Surgeon

Specialty: Surgery
Subspecialties: Trauma, Critical Care

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Laura Godat, MD, is board-certified in general surgery and surgical critical care. She cares for patients who have experienced traumatic injuries, such as motor vehicle collisions or falls. She also treats patients with acute surgical needs, such as the emergency removal of the appendix or gallbladder, or those coping with surgical complications.

Leslie Kobayashi, MD, FACS
Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialty: Surgery
Subspecialties: Trauma, Critical Care

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Trauma Center: (619) 543-7200
Direct Clinic Line - Surgery: (619) 543-6886

Bio:
Dr. Kobayashi joined the Division of Trauma, Surgical Critical Care, Burns at UC San Diego in August 2010 as an assistant professor of clinical surgery. Her current duties include clinical care in the outpatient, inpatient and intensive care setting as an attending physician on the Trauma, General Surgery and Surgical Intensive Care Services.
Surgery - Critical Care (cont.)

Jeanne Lee, MD, FACS
Director, Burn Center
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Burn
Subspecialties:
Trauma, Critical Care

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-7200

Bio:
Jeanne Lee, MD, is a board-certified surgeon. She focuses her care on individuals who have experienced traumatic injury, such as a motor vehicle collision or severe burn injury. As director of the Burn Center at UC San Diego Health, Dr. Lee provides clinical and administrative leadership for the burn program, including education, research, community outreach, and policies and procedures specifying all aspects of care for burn patients.
Surgery - General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Benjamin Abbadessa, MD, FACS
Colorectal Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6277
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Benjamin Abbadessa, MD, is a board-certified colorectal surgeon who treats colon cancer, anal cancer, colon polyps, diverticulitis, Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, anal fistula, anal fissure, hemorrhoids, anal abscess, fecal incontinence, rectal prolapse, anal dysplasia and anal skin tags.

Joel M. Baumgartner, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Surgical Oncology, Pancreatic Cancer, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Joel M. Baumgartner, MD, is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the gastrointestinal (GI) tract. He treats tumors that have metastasized to the abdomen, using treatment known as the "chemo bath" or hyperthermic (heated) intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC). This treatment involves surgical resection of all tumors followed by circulation of heated chemotherapy throughout the abdomen. This technique avoids many of the toxicities associated with systemic chemotherapy, while exposing the abdomen to higher concentrations of chemotherapy.
Surgery - General and Gastrointestinal Surgery (cont.)

**Michael Bouvet, MD**  
Director of Endocrine Surgery  
Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**  
Cancer, Surgery  

**Subspecialties:**  
Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer

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

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703  
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7000

**Bio:**  
Michael Bouvet, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in endocrine surgery and surgical oncology. He is the director of Endocrine Surgery and co-director of the Gastrointestinal Cancer Unit at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Bouvet’s expertise includes performing surgery for benign and cancerous thyroid nodules; parathyroidectomy for hyperparathyroidism, Whipple procedures (pancreatoduodenectomy) for pancreatic cancer; minimally invasive robotic-assisted esophagectomy; and laparoscopic adrenal surgery. He also performs surgery for tumors of the parathyroid glands, adrenal glands, liver, esophagus, stomach and pancreas.

---

**Bryan Clary, MD, FACS**  
Surgeon-In-Chief  
Chair and Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**  
Surgery, Cancer  

**Subspecialties:**  
Pancreatic Cancer, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology

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

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

**Bio:**  
Bryan Clary, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who provides surgical care for patients with diseases of the liver, pancreas and bile ducts. He is a part of the gastrointestinal and pancreatic cancer teams at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Clary has extensive experience in performing surgeries associated with cancers of the liver, pancreas, gallbladder, and bile ducts. He is nationally recognized for excellent outcomes following these complex procedures.
Surgery - General and Gastrointestinal Surgery (cont.)

Bard Cosman, MD, FACS, FASCRS
Surgeon
Professor of Surgery
Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Surgery, Cancer, HIV/AIDS
Subspecialty:
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery
Add'l Language:
French
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-3995
Bio:
Bard Cosman, MD, FACS, FASCRS, is a board-certified colon and rectal surgeon who specializes in anorectal surgery. He is an expert in treating chronic inflammatory lesions such as anal fistula, pilonidal sinus, and hidradenitis suppurative. He also has a special interest in anal dysplasia and cancer, including HIV-related cases.

Santiago Horgan, MD
Surgeon
Professor of Surgery
Director, Center for the Future of Surgery
Specialties:
Weight-Loss Surgery (Bariatric), Surgery, Cancer, Obesity Medicine
Subspecialties:
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers
Add'l Language:
Spanish
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive
Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8860
Bio:
Santiago Horgan, MD, is an internationally recognized expert in esophageal disease, weight-loss surgery, minimally invasive surgery and new technologies and approaches for surgery. He performs a variety of weight-loss procedures including gastric sleeve, gastric plication, gastric bypass, and revisional weight-loss surgeries.
Garth Ross Jacobsen, MD
Director, Hernia Surgery
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Weight-Loss Surgery (Bariatric), Obesity Medicine
Subspecialties:
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8860

Bio:
Garth Jacobsen, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in hernia surgery and repairing abdominal wall defects. He has expertise in both traditional and minimally invasive surgical techniques. Dr. Jacobsen's approach considers each patient as an individual. He works with each person to develop the best repair or surgical plan available.

Nicole Lopez, MD
Surgeon

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Surgical Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Nicole Lopez, MD, is a board-certified surgeon. She specializes in surgical oncology and colorectal surgery, and has a particular interest in caring for patients with advanced, recurrent, and metastatic colorectal cancers. She has expertise in treating hereditary syndromes, diverticulitis, pelvic floor diseases, inflammatory bowel disease, and anorectal diseases. She is skilled in laparoscopy and robotic surgery.

Kaitlyn Kelly, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Surgical Oncology, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Kaitlyn Kelly, MD, is a surgical oncologist with board certification in general surgery and complex general surgical oncology. Her expertise includes treating benign and malignant gastrointestinal (GI) and endocrine diseases including those of the esophagus, stomach, pancreas, liver, bile ducts, gallbladder, thyroid, and parathyroids, as well as skin cancers and soft-tissue sarcomas.
Andrew M. Lowy, MD, FACS
Chief, Division of Surgical Oncology
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Andrew M. Lowy, MD is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the pancreas and GI tract. Dr. Lowy is recognized worldwide for his expertise in pancreatic cancer surgery and in the management of complex gastrointestinal cancers. He is also known for investigating novel cancer treatments, including heated intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC), to treat advanced abdominal cancers.

Kristin L. Mekeel, MD
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Interim Chief, Division of Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgery
Surgical Director, Kidney and Pancreas Transplantation
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Kidney Transplantation, Liver Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation, Hepatobiliary Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6487

Bio:
Kristin L. Mekeel is a board-certified transplant surgeon who specializes in liver, kidney, and pancreas transplantation surgery in adults and children. She performs operations in patients with conditions such as chronic kidney disease, chronic liver disease, liver cancer and type 1 diabetes.
Surgery - General and Gastrointestinal Surgery (cont.)

Justin Parekh, MD
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Transplantation

Subspecialties:
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Kidney Transplantation, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Liver Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7729

Bio:
Justin Parekh, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in transplantation of the liver, kidney and pancreas, as well as hepatobiliary (liver and gall bladder) surgery. He also has expertise in treating liver tumors, hepatocellular carcinoma, cirrhosis and end-stage renal disease.

Lisa A. Parry, MD
Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (760) 536-7300

Bio:
Lisa Parry, MD, is a board-certified colon and rectal surgeon, specializing in the treatment of colorectal cancers and other intestinal disorders, including Crohn’s disease, ulcerative colitis and diverticulitis.

Sonia Ramamoorthy, MD
Chief, Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Minimally Invasive Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Sonia Ramamoorthy, MD, is a board-certified colon and rectal surgeon. She specializes in treating colorectal and anal cancer, inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) and diverticulitis. She also leads the colorectal cancer team at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health.
Surgery - General and Gastrointestinal Surgery (cont.)

Bryan J. Sandler, MD, FACS
Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialty:
Surgery

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8859

Bio:
Bryan Sandler, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in treating patients with disorders of the foregut, esophagus, gastric or biliary system and small intestine. In addition to performing hindgut surgery for colon and rectal disorders, Dr. Sandler has specialized training in advanced hernia operations, abdominal wall reconstruction and weight loss surgery. His areas of expertise also include minimally invasive and robotic surgery, and natural orifice surgery.

Jason Sicklick, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6173

Bio:
Jason Sicklick, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating hepatobiliary diseases and sarcomas, including gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST). He has a special interest in abdominal and retroperitoneal sarcomas, primary liver tumors and colorectal and neuroendocrine cancers that have metastasized to the liver.
Surgery - General and Gastrointestinal Surgery (cont.)

Jula Veerapong, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Jula Veerapong, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal malignancies. He is an expert in peritoneal surface malignancies, which include cancers that have originated from or spread to the peritoneal lining (lining of the abdominal cavity). He treats people with pseudomyxoma peritonei, appendiceal cancer (low grade and high grade), colorectal cancer, sarcomas (desmoplastic small round cell tumors), mesothelioma, and gynecologic malignancies (epithelial ovarian cancer, primary peritoneal carcinoma, borderline mucinous tumor of the ovary).
Surgery - Hepatobiliary Surgery

Jennifer Berumen, MD
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Director of Living Donor Kidney Transplant
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Transplantation, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Hepatobiliary Surgery, Liver Transplantation, Kidney Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6487
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729

Bio:
Jennifer Berumen, MD, is a surgeon specializing in abdominal transplantation and hepatobiliary (liver and bile duct) surgery. She performs kidney, liver and pancreas transplantations.

Bryan Clary, MD, FACS
Surgeon-In-Chief
Chair and Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Pancreatic Cancer, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Bryan Clary, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who provides surgical care for patients with diseases of the liver, pancreas and bile ducts. He is a part of the gastrointestinal and pancreatic cancer teams at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Clary has extensive experience in performing surgeries associated with cancers of the liver, pancreas, gallbladder, and bile ducts. He is nationally recognized for excellent outcomes following these complex procedures.
Surgery - Hepatobiliary Surgery (cont.)

Kristin L. Mekeel, MD
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Interim Chief, Division of Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgery
Surgical Director, Kidney and Pancreas Transplantation
Professor of Surgery

Specialties: Surgery, Transplantation
Subspecialties: Kidney Transplantation, Liver Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation, Hepatobiliary Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6487

Bio:
Kristin L. Mekeel is a board-certified transplant surgeon who specializes in liver, kidney, and pancreas transplantation surgery in adults and children. She performs operations in patients with conditions such as chronic kidney disease, chronic liver disease, liver cancer and type 1 diabetes.

Justin Parekh, MD
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties: Surgery, Transplantation
Subspecialties: General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Kidney Transplantation, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Liver Transplantation, Pancreas Transplantation

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7729

Bio:
Justin Parekh, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in transplantation of the liver, kidney and pancreas, as well as hepatobiliary (liver and gall bladder) surgery. He also has expertise in treating liver tumors, hepatocellular carcinoma, cirrhosis and end-stage renal disease.

Gabriel T. Schnickel, MD, MPH
Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Surgical Director, Liver Transplantation
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties: Transplantation, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties: Gastrointestinal Cancers, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Pancreas Transplantation, Liver Transplantation, Kidney Transplantation

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7728

Bio:
Gabriel T. Schnickel, MD, MPH, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in liver, kidney and pancreas transplant. His expertise includes treating liver cancer, bile duct cancer, liver cysts, and benign tumors of the liver.
Surgery - Hepatobiliary Surgery (cont.)

Jason Sicklick, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6173

Bio:
Jason Sicklick, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating hepatobiliary diseases and sarcomas, including gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST). He has a special interest in abdominal and retroperitoneal sarcomas, primary liver tumors and colorectal and neuroendocrine cancers that have metastasized to the liver.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery

Benjamin Abbadessa, MD, FACS
Colorectal Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6277
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Benjamin Abbadessa, MD, is a board-certified colorectal surgeon who treats colon cancer, anal cancer, colon polyps, diverticulitis, Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, anal fistula, anal fissure, hemorrhoids, anal abscess, fecal incontinence, rectal prolapse, anal dysplasia and anal skin tags.

Omar Al-Nouri, DO
Vascular Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Vascular Surgery, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Endovascular Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery

Add'l Language:
Arabic

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

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

Bio:
Omar Al-Nouri, DO, MS, RPVI, is a board-certified vascular surgeon who specializes in a wide spectrum of vascular diseases, including complex treatment of thoracic and abdominal aortic aneurysms, peripheral arterial disease, carotid disease, thoracic outlet syndrome, venous disease and hemodialysis access. He uses both open and endovascular (less invasive) techniques to provide patients with the best possible approach.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery (cont.)

Dennis Bandyk, MD
Vascular Surgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Vascular Surgery, Surgery
Subspecialty:
Minimally Invasive Surgery

Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Dennis Bandyk, MD, is a board-certified vascular surgeon who diagnoses and treats people with disorders affecting the arteries, veins and lymphatic systems. He provides comprehensive medical treatment and reconstructive vascular surgical and endovascular (less invasive) techniques for individuals with all types of vascular conditions.

Thomas L. Beaumont, MD, PhD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Complex Cranial Surgery, Neurological Oncology

Add'l Language:
Italian

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Thomas Beaumont, MD, PhD, is a neurosurgeon who specializes in skull base and minimally invasive cranial surgery. He performs both open microsurgery and endoscopic approaches for brain, skull base and pituitary tumors where he tailors the surgical approach to provide maximally effective yet minimally invasive neurosurgical care. Dr. Beaumont has a passion for the treatment of meningiomas, pituitary tumors, craniopharyngiomas and clival chordomas, and is an expert in the endoscopic endonasal approach (EEA). Additionally, he treats cavernous malformations, cranial nerve compression syndromes and craniocervical junction disease.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery (cont.)

Seth K. Bechis, MD
Urologist
Assistant Professor of Urology

**Specialties:**
Urology, Surgery

**Subspecialties:**
Kidney Stones, Minimally Invasive Surgery

**Encinitas - Garden View Road**

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7876

**Bio:**
Seth Bechis, MD, is a urologist who cares for patients with diseases of the urinary tract, including kidney stones, benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH) or enlarged prostate, and men’s health issues. As member of the comprehensive [Kidney Stone Center](#) at UC San Diego Health, he has a special interest in advanced surgical treatment, medical prevention and research on kidney stone disease. He also performs advanced procedures for BPH as well as robotic surgery.

Joseph A. Califano, III, MD
Head and Neck Surgeon
Physician in Chief, Moores Cancer Center
Director, Head and Neck Cancer Center

**Specialties:**
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Cancer, Surgery

**Subspecialties:**
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery

**Moores Cancer Center**

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

**Bio:**
Joseph A. Califano, III, MD, is a board-certified otolaryngologist who specializes in head and neck surgical oncology, and the integration of basic, molecular biologic research in that practice. His expertise includes minimally invasive treatment of tumors of the oral cavity, larynx, pharynx, thyroid, and neck to minimize cosmetic impact and maximize function, with an interest in tumors of the skull base, mouth, salivary glands, and premalignant conditions of the upper aerodigestive tract.

Joslin Cheverie, MD
Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Surgery, Weight-Loss Surgery (Bariatric), Obesity Medicine

**Subspecialty:**
Minimally Invasive Surgery

**La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8860

**Bio:**
Joslin Cheverie, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in minimally invasive surgeries including bariatric procedures performed on the stomach or intestines to contribute to weight loss.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery (cont.)

Santiago Horgan, MD
Surgeon
Professor of Surgery
Director, Center for the Future of Surgery

Specialties:
Weight-Loss Surgery (Bariatric), Surgery, Cancer, Obesity Medicine

Subspecialties:
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers

Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8860

Bio:
Santiago Horgan, MD, is an internationally recognized expert in esophageal disease, weight-loss surgery, minimally invasive surgery and new technologies and approaches for surgery. He performs a variety of weight-loss procedures including gastric sleeve, gastric plication, gastric bypass, and revisional weight-loss surgeries.

Garth Ross Jacobsen, MD
Director, Hernia Surgery
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Weight-Loss Surgery (Bariatric), Obesity Medicine

Subspecialties:
General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8860

Bio:
Garth Jacobsen, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in hernia surgery and repairing abdominal wall defects. He has expertise in both traditional and minimally invasive surgical techniques. Dr. Jacobsen's approach considers each patient as an individual. He works with each person to develop the best repair or surgical plan available.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery (cont.)

Sunil Jeswani, MD
Neurosurgeon

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Complex Cranial Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Neurological Oncology, Spine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Sunil Jeswani, MD, is a neurosurgeon who treats people with cranial and spinal problems. He performs surgery for brain tumors, pituitary tumors, skull base tumors, stereotactic radiosurgery, hydrocephalus, and trigeminal neuralgia. He also does minimally invasive spinal surgery and treats spinal conditions such as degenerative disease, tumors, scoliosis and spinal trauma.

Karim Kader, MD, PhD
Urologist
Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer
Add'l Languages:
French, Greek

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7876

Bio:
Karim Kader, MD, PhD, is a board-certified urologist who specializes in detecting, treating and preventing prostate cancer.

Christopher J. Kane, MD
Urologist
Dean of Clinical Affairs, UC San Diego School of Medicine
CEO, UC San Diego Health Physician Group

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery, Cancer
Subspecialties:
Urologic Cancer, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7876

Bio:
Christopher J. Kane, MD, is a board-certified urologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating patients with prostate, kidney, bladder and testicular cancer. He has extensive expertise in robotic prostatectomy, open and laparoscopic kidney cancer surgery, and bladder and testes cancer surgery. He also provides care for conditions including benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH) or enlarged prostate; elevated prostate-specific antigen (PSA) levels; and the presence of blood in urine (hematuria).
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery (cont.)

Nicole Lopez, MD
Surgeon

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Surgical Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Nicole Lopez, MD, is a board-certified surgeon. She specializes in surgical oncology and colorectal surgery, and has a particular interest in caring for patients with advanced, recurrent, and metastatic colorectal cancers. She has expertise in treating hereditary syndromes, diverticulitis, pelvic floor diseases, inflammatory bowel disease, and anorectal diseases. She is skilled in laparoscopy and robotic surgery.

Mahmoud B. Malas, MD, MHS, FACS
Vascular Surgeon
Chief, Vascular and Endovascular Surgery

Specialties:
Vascular Surgery, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Endovascular Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery
Add'l Languages:
Arabic, French

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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

Bio:
Mahmoud Malas, MD, is a vascular and endovascular surgeon who treats patients with conditions related to blood vessels, including thoracic and abdominal aortic aneurysms, carotid artery disease, peripheral arterial disease, venous disease, thoracic outlet syndrome, spine exposure and hemodialysis access. He specializes in both traditional open surgery and minimally invasive endovascular approaches that require no incision.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery (cont.)

Mark W. Onaitis, MD  
Thoracic Surgeon  
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:  
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:  
Lung Cancer, Minimally Invasive Surgery

Moores Cancer Center  
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (877) 586-4727  
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100

Bio:  
Mark Onaitis, MD, is a board-certified thoracic surgeon who specializes in malignant and benign conditions of the chest, including lung cancer, esophageal cancer, thymic malignancy, gastroesophageal reflux, achalasia, paraesophageal hernia, and myasthenia gravis. He uses minimally invasive approaches – thorascopy and robotics – to treat these conditions.

Ryan K. Orosco, MD  
Head and Neck Surgeon  
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:  
ENT/Head and Neck (Otolaryngology), Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:  
Head & Neck Cancers, Head & Neck Surgery Oncology, Minimally Invasive Surgery

Moores Cancer Center  
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703

Bio:  
Ryan Orosco, MD, is a board-certified head and neck surgeon who specializes in the surgical treatment of benign and malignant tumors and complex reconstruction of the head and neck. He cares for patients with head and neck tumors, thyroid and parathyroid disorders, and cancer of the face, scalp, nose, mouth, tongue, and throat. Dr. Orosco is skilled in advanced reconstruction techniques, including microvascular free flaps, the transplant of tissue to restore function and appearance. He employs minimally invasive techniques, such as transoral robotic surgery and transoral laser microsurgery, when appropriate.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery

Lisa A. Parry, MD
Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Cancer, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers

Moores Cancer Center
Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (858) 822-6100
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (760) 536-7300

Bio:
Lisa Parry, MD, is a board-certified colon and rectal surgeon, specializing in the treatment of colorectal cancers and other intestinal disorders, including Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis and diverticulitis.

Martin H. Pham, MD
Neurosurgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery
Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Spine
Add'l Language:
Spanish

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
Rancho Bernardo - Via Tazon

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
Martin Pham, MD, is a neurosurgeon who focuses on the neurosurgical evaluation and treatment of spinal disorders. This includes adult scoliosis and spinal deformity, complex spinal reconstruction, robotic and minimally invasive spine surgery, motion preservation of the spine, spine tumors, and spine trauma.

Anthony Perricone, MD
Clinical Professor

Specialties:
Cardiothoracic (Heart and Lung) Surgery, Cancer, Surgery, Transplantation
Subspecialties:
Lung Cancer, Lung Transplantation, Minimally Invasive Surgery

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center

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

Bio:
Dr. Perricone is director of the Cardiothoracic Unit at the Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center, and surgical director of lung transplantation at UC San Diego Health.
Surgery - Minimally Invasive Surgery (cont.)

Sonia Ramamoorthy, MD
Chief, Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Minimally Invasive Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Sonia Ramamoorthy, MD, is a board-certified colon and rectal surgeon. She specializes in treating colorectal and anal cancer, inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) and diverticulitis. She also leads the colorectal cancer team at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health.

Kyoko Sakamoto, MD
Urologist
Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer, Urologic Cancer

Add'l Language:
Japanese

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Urology: (619) 543-3572
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Kyoko Sakamoto, MD, is a board-certified urologist who specializes in laparoscopy and endourology. Her additional interests are neurourology and general urology.

Amirali (Amir) Salmasi, MD
Urologist
Assistant Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer, Urologic Cancer

Add'l Language:
Farsi

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Urology: (619) 543-3572
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Amirali Salmasi, MD, is a urologist with expertise in the management of genitourinary cancers in men and women, including bladder, prostate, kidney, ureteral, testicular, adrenal, and penile cancers. He provides a personalized, multidisciplinary approach to deliver the best possible treatment options (active surveillance, focal therapy, surgery, radiation, systemic treatments, or clinical trials) for his patients.
Bryan J. Sandler, MD, FACS
Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialty:
Surgery

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-8859

Bio:
Bryan Sandler, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in treating patients with disorders of the foregut, esophagus, gastric or biliary system and small intestine. In addition to performing hindgut surgery for colon and rectal disorders, Dr. Sandler has specialized training in advanced hernia operations, abdominal wall reconstruction and weight loss surgery. His areas of expertise also include minimally invasive and robotic surgery, and natural orifice surgery.

William Taylor, MD
Neurosurgeon
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Neurosurgery, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Spine

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5540

Bio:
William Taylor, MD, is a board-certified neurological surgeon. His practice focuses on the neurosurgical evaluation and treatment of spinal disorders. He is also dedicated to further developing and refining minimally invasive surgical procedures used to treat spinal conditions and diseases.

Patricia Thistlethwaite, MD, PhD
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Professor of Surgery

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

Subspecialties:
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Heart Transplantation, Lung Cancer

Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

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

Bio:
Patricia A. Thistlethwaite, MD, PhD, is a board-certified cardiothoracic surgeon who specializes in lung cancer, mediastinal and chest wall surgery, diseases of the thymus, minimally invasive thoracic surgery, and heart and lung transplantation. She focuses on providing patient-centered clinical care, using minimally invasive approaches to treat thoracic disease.
Surgery - Surgical Oncology

Joel M. Baumgartner, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, Surgical Oncology, Pancreatic Cancer, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Joel M. Baumgartner, MD, is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the gastrointestinal (GI) tract. He treats tumors that have metastasized to the abdomen, using treatment known as the “chemo bath” or hyperthermic (heated) intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC). This treatment involves surgical resection of all tumors followed by circulation of heated chemotherapy throughout the abdomen. This technique avoids many of the toxicities associated with systemic chemotherapy, while exposing the abdomen to higher concentrations of chemotherapy.

Sarah L. Blair, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Breast Cancer, Surgical Oncology

Moores Cancer Center

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

Bio:
Sarah L. Blair is a surgical oncologist and board-certified general surgeon who specializes in diagnosing and treating breast cancer, melanoma, sarcoma and soft tissue tumors. Her expertise is in sentinel node staging for breast cancer, utilizing new energy sources for better resection of tumors, and innovative reconstructive techniques for breast conservation operations.
Surgery - Surgical Oncology (cont.)

Michael Bouvet, MD
Director of Endocrine Surgery
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7000

Bio:
Michael Bouvet, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in endocrine surgery and surgical oncology. He is the director of Endocrine Surgery and co-director of the Gastrointestinal Cancer Unit at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Bouvet’s expertise includes performing surgery for benign and cancerous thyroid nodules; parathyroidectomy for hyperparathyroidism, Whipple procedures (pancreatoduodenectomy) for pancreatic cancer; minimally invasive robotic-assisted esophagectomy; and laparoscopic adrenal surgery. He also performs surgery for tumors of the parathyroid glands, adrenal glands, liver, esophagus, stomach and pancreas.

Bryan Clary, MD, FACS
Surgeon-In-Chief
Chair and Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Pancreatic Cancer, Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Bryan Clary, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who provides surgical care for patients with diseases of the liver, pancreas and bile ducts. He is a part of the gastrointestinal and pancreatic cancer teams at Moores Cancer Center at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Clary has extensive experience in performing surgeries associated with cancers of the liver, pancreas, gallbladder, and bile ducts. He is nationally recognized for excellent outcomes following these complex procedures.
Surgery - Surgical Oncology (cont.)

Ava Hosseini, MD
Surgical Oncologist

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Breast Cancer, Surgical Oncology

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Encinitas - Garden View Road

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Encinitas: (760) 536-7700
Direct Clinic Line - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Ava Hosseini, MD, is a surgical oncologist and board-certified general surgeon who specializes in breast health, including breast cancer and benign breast disease. Dr. Hosseini's expertise includes general and oncoplastic breast surgery. She performs mastectomy, image-guided lumpectomy, benign breast disease excisions and axillary surgery. She also works closely with plastic and reconstructive surgeons to offer women the best possible cosmetic options and results following treatment.

Kaitlyn Kelly, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Surgical Oncology, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Melanoma / Skin Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

Moores Cancer Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

Bio:
Kaitlyn Kelly, MD, is a surgical oncologist with board certification in general surgery and complex general surgical oncology. Her expertise includes treating benign and malignant gastrointestinal (GI) and endocrine diseases including those of the esophagus, stomach, pancreas, liver, bile ducts, gallbladder, thyroid, and parathyroids, as well as skin cancers and soft-tissue sarcomas.
Surgery - Surgical Oncology (cont.)

Nicole Lopez, MD
Surgeon

**Specialties:**
Colon and Rectal Surgery, Cancer, Surgery

**Subspecialties:**
Gastrointestinal Cancers, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Surgical Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

**Bio:**
Nicole Lopez, MD, is a board-certified surgeon. She specializes in surgical oncology and colorectal surgery, and has a particular interest in caring for patients with advanced, recurrent, and metastatic colorectal cancers. She has expertise in treating hereditary syndromes, diverticulitis, pelvic floor diseases, inflammatory bowel disease, and ano-rectal diseases. She is skilled in laparoscopy and robotic surgery.

Andrew M. Lowy, MD, FACS
Chief, Division of Surgical Oncology
Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Pancreatic Cancer, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

**Add'l Language:**
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703

**Bio:**
Andrew M. Lowy, MD is a surgical oncologist with expertise in treating cancers of the pancreas and GI tract. Dr. Lowy is recognized worldwide for his expertise in pancreatic cancer surgery and in the management of complex gastrointestinal cancers. He is also known for investigating novel cancer treatments, including heated intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC), to treat advanced abdominal cancers.
Surgery - Surgical Oncology (cont.)

Jason Sicklick, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue), Hepatobiliary Surgery, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Precision Medicine, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery

**Add'l Language:**
Spanish

Moores Cancer Center

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-6100
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6173

**Bio:**
Jason Sicklick, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating hepatobiliary diseases and sarcomas, including gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST). He has a special interest in abdominal and retroperitoneal sarcomas, primary liver tumors and colorectal and neuroendocrine cancers that have metastasized to the liver.

Jula Veerapong, MD
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

**Specialties:**
Surgery, Cancer

**Subspecialties:**
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Surgical Oncology, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery, Sarcoma (Bone and Soft Tissue)

Moores Cancer Center

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

**Bio:**
Jula Veerapong, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating gastrointestinal malignancies. He is an expert in peritoneal surface malignancies, which include cancers that have originated from or spread to the peritoneal lining (lining of the abdominal cavity). He treats people with pseudomyxoma peritonei, appendiceal cancer (low grade and high grade), colorectal cancer, sarcomas (desmoplastic small round cell tumors), mesothelioma, and gynecologic malignancies (epithelial ovarian cancer, primary peritoneal carcinoma, borderline mucinous tumor of the ovary).
Surgery - Surgical Oncology (cont.)

Anne M. Wallace, MD
Director, Comprehensive Breast Health Center
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Surgical Oncology, Breast Cancer, Melanoma / Skin Cancers

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Anne M. Wallace, MD, is a board-certified general and plastic surgeon who specializes in all aspects of breast health, with a focus on breast cancer and breast reconstruction. She directs UC San Diego Health’s Comprehensive Breast Health Center, which offers premier breast cancer detection, diagnosis, and personalized care. Dr. Wallace’s other specialties include melanoma diagnosis and treatment, as well as all forms of cosmetic breast and body contouring surgery.

Rebekah R. (Becke) White, MD, FACS
Surgical Oncologist
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Cancer

Subspecialties:
Gastrointestinal Cancers, Surgical Oncology

Moores Cancer Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (866) 773-2703
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 822-6100

Bio:
Rebekah White, MD, is a general surgeon and surgical oncologist who specializes in treating tumors of the pancreas, liver, bile duct, and upper gastrointestinal tract such as the stomach. Dr. White is part of the gastrointestinal cancer unit at UC San Diego Health’s Moores Cancer Center, where she works alongside a multidisciplinary team to provide cancer patients with advanced surgical options that are best suited to their individual needs.
Surgery - Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery

Michael Bouvet, MD
Director of Endocrine Surgery
Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Cancer, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery, General and Gastrointestinal Surgery,
Surgical Oncology, Head & Neck Cancers, Gastrointestinal Cancers,
Pancreatic Cancer

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Moores Cancer Center: (866) 773-2703
Direct Clinic Line: (858) 657-7000

Bio:
Michael Bouvet, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who specializes in
endocrine surgery and surgical oncology. He is the director of Endocrine
Surgery and co-director of the Gastrointestinal Cancer Unit at UC San Diego
Health. Dr. Bouvet’s expertise includes performing surgery for benign and
cancerous thyroid nodules; parathyroidectomy for hyperparathyroidism,
Whipple procedures (pancreatoduodenectomy) for pancreatic cancer;
minimally invasive robotic-assisted esophagectomy; and laparoscopic
adrenal surgery. He also performs surgery for tumors of the parathyroid
glands, adrenal glands, liver, esophagus, stomach and pancreas.
Surgery - Trauma

**Allison E. Berndtson, MD, FACS**
Surgeon
Assistant Professor of Surgery

**Specialty:**
Surgery

**Subspecialties:**
Trauma, Critical Care

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

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-7200

**Bio:**
Allison Berndtson, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who cares for patients who have experienced traumatic injuries, such as a fall or motor vehicle collision, as well as those requiring elective or emergency surgery for general surgical issues, such as appendicitis, gallstones and hernias.

---

**Todd W. Costantini, MD, FACS**
Surgical Intensivist
Associate Professor of Surgery
Medical Director, Trauma

**Specialty:**
Surgery

**Subspecialties:**
Trauma, Critical Care

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

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-7200
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6886
Trauma Center: (619) 543-7200

**Bio:**
Todd W. Costantini, MD, is a board-certified surgical intensivist. He is the assistant director of UC San Diego Health's Level 1 Trauma Center, which provides the highest quality of comprehensive care for patients who have been severely injured from car accidents, falls, violence, gunshot wounds, fires and burns, and drowning.
Surgery - Trauma (cont.)

Jay J. Doucet, MD, FRCSC, FACS
Chief, Division of Trauma, Surgical Critical Care, Burns, and Acute Care Surgery
Medical Director, Surgical Intensive Care Unit
Medical Director, Emergency Preparedness and Response
Professor of Surgery

Specialty: Surgery
Subspecialties: Critical Care, Trauma

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Surgery: (619) 543-6886
Trauma Center: (619) 543-7200

Bio:
Jay Doucet, MD, is a board-certified surgeon who serves as chief of the Division of Trauma, Surgical Critical Care, Burns, and Acute Care Surgery and as medical director of both the Surgical Intensive Care Unit and Emergency Preparedness and Response at UC San Diego Health. He performs trauma and general surgery and provides surgical critical care to patients. His areas of expertise include chest and abdominal injury, rib plating (an operation to fix broken ribs), abdominal sepsis, diverticular disease, abdominal and groin hernia, gallbladder disease and soft tissue infections.

Laura Godat, MD, FACS
Surgeon

Specialty: Surgery
Subspecialties: Trauma, Critical Care

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Jacobs Medical Center

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

Bio:
Laura Godat, MD, is board-certified in general surgery and surgical critical care. She cares for patients who have experienced traumatic injuries, such as motor vehicle collisions or falls. She also treats patients with acute surgical needs, such as the emergency removal of the appendix or gallbladder, or those coping with surgical complications.

Leslie Kobayashi, MD, FACS
Surgeon
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialty: Surgery
Subspecialties: Trauma, Critical Care

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Trauma Center: (619) 543-7200
Direct Clinic Line - Surgery: (619) 543-6886

Bio:
Dr. Kobayashi joined the Division of Trauma, Surgical Critical Care, Burns at UC San Diego in August 2010 as an assistant professor of clinical surgery. Her current duties include clinical care in the outpatient, inpatient and intensive care setting as an attending physician on the Trauma, General Surgery and Surgical Intensive Care Services.
Surgery - Trauma (cont.)

Jeanne Lee, MD, FACS
Director, Burn Center
Associate Professor of Surgery

Specialties:
Surgery, Burn

Subspecialties:
Trauma, Critical Care

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-7200

Bio:
Jeanne Lee, MD, is a board-certified surgeon. She focuses her care on individuals who have experienced traumatic injury, such as a motor vehicle collision or severe burn injury. As director of the Burn Center at UC San Diego Health, Dr. Lee provides clinical and administrative leadership for the burn program, including education, research, community outreach, and policies and procedures specifying all aspects of care for burn patients.
Index

A
Abawi, Heeran .................................................. 1
Abbadesa, Benjamin ..................................... 41, 52
Achar, Suraj A. ................................................. 1
Albo, Michael E. ............................................. 21
Aikens, John ................................................... 21
Al-Nouri, Omar ............................................... 52
Ashraf, Hadia .................................................. 1

B
Bailey, Cristina .................................................. 2
Bandyk, Dennis ............................................... 53
Barba, David .................................................. 21
Barleben, Andrew .......................................... 22
Baumgartner, Joel M. .................................... 41, 62
Bazzo, David E.J. ............................................. 2
Beaumont, Thomas L. ..................................... 53
Bechis, Seth K. ................................................ 54
Behnawa, Susan .............................................. 2
Ben-Haim, Sharona ....................................... 22
Berndtson, Allison E. .................................... 38, 69
Berumen, Jennifer .......................................... 49
Bickler, Stephen ............................................. 22
Blair, Sarah L. .................................................. 62
Borad, Amruti .................................................. 2
Bouvet, Michael ............................................. 42, 63, 68
Brady, Patricia ................................................ 3
Brumund, Kevin Thomas ................................ 22
Buckley, Jill ..................................................... 23
Bustamante, Anthony ..................................... 3

C
Califano, Ill, Joseph A. .................................... 54
Camarillo, Daniel .......................................... 3
Canelo, Nicholas ............................................. 3
Cheng, Terri L .................................................. 4
Cheverie, Joslin .............................................. 54
Ciacci, Joseph D. ............................................ 3
Clark, Belen S. ................................................ 4
Clary, Bryan .................................................... 42, 49, 63
Coffey, Charles .............................................. 23
coles, Lisa M. .................................................. 4
Coletta, Joelle M. ........................................... 23
Combs, Matthew ........................................... 4
Combs, Walter F. .......................................... 5
Cosman, Bard ................................................ 43
Costantini, Todd W. ...................................... 38, 69
Covey, Dana Curtis ....................................... 24

D
DeConde, Adam ............................................. 24
Derweesh, Ithar H. ......................................... 24
DiPaolo, Laura H. ......................................... 24
Dobke, Marek ................................................ 24
Doucet, Jay J. .................................................. 39, 70

E
Edi, Rina S. ...................................................... 5
Eisenstein, Samuel ........................................... 25

F
Falconio, Linda S. ............................................ 5

G
Garfin, Steven Robert ..................................... 26
Gin, Geneen T. ............................................... 6
Girard, Paul Joseph ........................................ 26
Glockner, Susan M. ...................................... 26
Godat, Laura .................................................. 39, 70
Golts, Eugene ................................................. 27
Gosman, Amanda A. ..................................... 27
Gutierrez, Cecilia .......................................... 27
Gutierrez, Rolando ......................................... 7

H
Harris, Jeffrey P. ............................................. 27
Hatamy, Esmatullah (Esma) ............................ 7
Horgan, Santiago ........................................... 43, 55
Hosseini, Ava ............................................... 64
Howe, Steven ................................................ 28
Hsieh, T. Mike .............................................. 28
Hurd, Melissa ............................................... 7

I
Ikeda, Tyson ................................................... 8
Im, Tae-Woong .............................................. 8

J
Jacobsen, Garth Ross .................................... 44, 55
Jeswani, Sunil ................................................ 56
Jung, Yewah .................................................... 8

K
Kabongo, Martin Luther ................................ 8
Kader, Karim ................................................ 56
Kallenberg, Gene A. ..................................... 19
Kane, Christopher J. .................................... 56
Kelly, Kaitlyn ................................................ 44, 64
Khlessi, Alexander A. .................................. 28
Kobayashi, Leslie .......................................... 39, 70

L
Lance, Samuel H. .......................................... 29
Lane, John ..................................................... 29
Lee, Jeanne .................................................... 40, 71
Lee, Robert Y. ............................................... 9
Leu, Amy ....................................................... 9
Levy, Michael .............................................. 29
Lillie, Dustin .................................................. 9
Lindeman, Kurtis .......................................... 29
Lopez, Nicole ................................................ 44, 57, 65
Lowy, Andrew M. ...................................... 45, 65
Lynch, Allison M. ........................................ 10

M
Madjani, Michael M ...................................... 29
Madrid, Richard Eric James .......................... 29
Malas, Mahmoud B. ..................................... 57
Marshall, Lawrence ...................................... 30
Mekeel, Kristin L. ........................................ 45, 50
Memen, Talha ............................................... 10
Merrill, Sarah ................................................. 10
Miller, Brandon ............................................. 11
Miller, Georgiana ......................................... 11
Mom, Cassandra ......................................... 11
Morris, Sheldon ........................................... 11

N
Nguyen, Andrew .......................................... 30
Nguyen, Quyen ............................................ 30
Novak, Loren S. ............................................ 12
Novotny, Richard (Willie) ............................. 12

O
Onalis, Mark W. ............................................ 58
Orosco, Ryan K. ............................................ 58
Osborne, Chad .............................................. 12
Owens, Erik L. ............................................... 31

P
Parekh, Justin ............................................... 46, 50
Parry, Lisa A. ................................................ 46, 59
Parsons, C. Lowell ........................................ 31
Parsons, J. Kellogg ........................................ 31
Perricone, Anthony ....................................... 59
Pham, Martin H. ............................................ 59
Pietila, Michael ............................................. 12
Polliena, Travis L. ......................................... 32
Pretorius, Victor (Gert) ................................. 32

R
Rahman, Akbar ............................................. 13
Rahman, Maisara ......................................... 13
Ramamoorthy, Sonia ................................... 46, 60
Rechnic, Mark .............................................. 32
Reddy, Divya K. ........................................... 13
Rosen, Rebecca L. ......................................... 13
Rosenblum, Elizabeth .................................. 14

S
Sakakibara, Naohide ..................................... 33
Sakamoto, Kyoko .......................................... 60
Salmasi, Amirali (Amir) ................................. 60
Salzman, Holly ............................................. 14
Sandler, Bryan J. .......................................... 47, 61
Sannidhi, Deepa .......................................... 19
Santiago-Lastra, Yahir A. .............................. 33
Saxe, Gordon ............................................... 19
Schnickel, Gabriel T. .................................... 50
Schwartz, Alexandra K. ............................... 34
Schwartz, Marc S. ........................................ 34
Shahtalji, Alan ............................................. 14
Sicklick, Jason ............................................... 47, 51, 66
Simmons, Pamela A. Wong .......................... 14
Slatyer, Daniel ............................................. 20
Sozanski, Jesse ............................................ 20
Suliman, Ahmed S. ...................................... 35
Sur, Roger ..................................................... 35

T
Taylor, Kenneth S. ........................................ 15
Taylor, William ............................................. 61
Tenenhaus, Mayer ....................................... 35
Thistlethwaite, Patricia ................................. 61
T (cont.)
Thome, Christine ........................................ 15
Tran, Hang ........................................ 15
Trewella, Amy ........................................ 15

U
U, Hoi Sang ........................................ 35
Uvelli, Katherine ........................................ 16

V
Vahabzadeh-Hagh, Andrew ......................... 36
Van Niekerk, Anna .................................... 16
Veerapong, Jula ....................................... 48, 66

W
Wallace, Anne M. .................................... 67
Walter, Rome Charles ................................. 16
Wang, Mary .......................................... 16
Wang, Regina M. ..................................... 17
Watson, Deborah .................................... 36
Weissbrod, Philip .................................... 36
White, Rebekah R. (Becke) ......................... 67
Wilkinson, Lesley D. ................................. 17
Woo, Jason ............................................ 37
Wu, Jennifer J. ....................................... 17

Z
Zlomislic, Vinko ...................................... 37

Ç
Çelebi, Julie .......................................... 18