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Audiology

Audiology is concerned with hearing, balance and related disorders. Audiologists specialize in treating individuals with hearing loss and proactively preventing related damage. Learn more about audiology at UC San Diego Health.

Meghann Greear, AuD, CCC-A
Audiologist

Specialty:
Audiology

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8590
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-5683

Bio:
Meghann (Kyle) Greear, AuD, is a certified audiologist who provides audiologic (hearing) testing and treatment to patients over the age of 5 and vestibular (balance) testing for adults. She has a special interest in cochlear implants, auditory brainstem implants, osseointegrated hearing implants, hearing aids and assistive listening devices. She treats and diagnoses hearing and balance disorders using advanced technologies.

Meghan K. Spriggs, AuD, CCC-A
Audiologist

Specialty:
Audiology

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

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

Bio:
Meghan K. Spriggs, AuD, is a certified audiologist who cares for adults with hearing loss and ear disorders, including sensorineural, mixed and conductive hearing loss, tinnitus, hearing loss with age (presbycusis), otosclerosis, noise-induced hearing loss, and congenital and acquired hearing loss. Her primary area of interest and expertise is in implantable hearing technologies, including cochlear implantation and osseointegrated hearing implants. Additionally, she sees patients for audiometric evaluation, tympanometry, otoacoustic emissions, speech perception assessment, hearing aid evaluation and fitting, and aural rehabilitation and counseling regarding communication strategies and use of hearing assistive technology.
Joyce Tsang, AuD, CCC-A
Audiologist

Specialty:
Audiology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - La Jolla: (858) 657-8590

Bio:
Joyce Tsang, AuD, is a certified audiologist who cares for adults with hearing loss and balance (vestibular) disorders. She evaluates and treats sensorineural hearing loss (hearing loss that results from damage to the inner ear or the pathways from the inner ear to the brain), conductive hearing loss (when sound cannot be conducted through the outer and middle ear), and mixed hearing loss, a combination of both types.

Deborah (Debbie) Wian, MA, CCC-A
Audiologist

Specialty:
Audiology

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

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

Bio:
Deborah Wian, MA, is a certified audiologist who treats a variety of hearing losses, mostly in the adult population. She provides behavioral diagnostics for hearing loss and has expertise in fitting assistive listening devices, including hearing aids, FM systems, and Bluetooth-enabled devices. Debbie also performs fittings and orientations of audiology implantable hearing devices such as the Baha and Ponto osseo-integrated temporal bone implant systems.

Erika M. Zettner, PhD
Audiologist

Specialty:
Audiology
Add'l Language:
German

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

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

Bio:
Erika Zettner, PhD, is a certified audiologist (CCC-A) who specializes in hearing assessments, hearing aid fitting, evoked potential testing, and cochlear implant assessments, mapping and programming.
Hepatology (Liver)

Hepatology is a medical specialty that incorporates the study of the liver, gallbladder, biliary tract, and pancreas as well as management of their disorders. Learn more about hepatology at UC San Diego Health.

Veeral Ajmera, MD
Hepatologist
Medical Director, Liver Transplantation
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hepatology (Liver), Gastroenterology, Transplantation

Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7728
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices (Gastroenterology): (619) 543-2347

Bio:
Veeral Ajmera, MD, is a board-certified gastroenterologist who treats patients with chronic liver disease, including those with cirrhosis. He also has expertise with fatty liver disease and liver transplantation.

Pranab M. Barman, MD
Hepatologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hepatology (Liver), Gastroenterology, Transplantation

Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Spanish

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7728
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices: (619) 543-2347

Bio:
Pranab Barman, MD, is a board-certified gastroenterologist who specializes in liver disease (hepatology) and transplantation. He treats patients with liver cancer, cirrhosis, alcoholic liver disease, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease and hepatitis. Dr. Barman's expertise is in transplant hepatology, caring for patients both before and after transplantation.
Hepatology (Liver) (cont.)

Tarek Hassanein, MD  
Hepatologist  
Director of Outreach Services, Liver Transplant Program  

Specialty:  
Hepatology (Liver)

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center  

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

Bio:  
Tarek Hassanein, MD, is a board-certified gastroenterologist and transplant hepatologist who specializes in liver disease. He is focused on the management of viral hepatitis, fatty liver disease, cirrhosis, and care of patients before and after liver transplantation.

Yuko Kono, MD, PhD  
Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist  
Professor of Medicine and Radiology  

Specialties:  
Gastroenterology, Transplantation, Hepatology (Liver)  

Subspecialty:  
Liver Transplantation

Add'l Language:  
Japanese

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South  
La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5415

Bio:  
Yuko Kono, MD, PhD is a hepatologist with a special interest in hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) surveillance, diagnosis, management, general hepatology and liver transplantation. She is an expert in contrast enhanced ultrasound imaging.

Saumya Jayakumar, MD, FRCPC  
Hepatologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:  
Hepatology (Liver), Gastroenterology, Transplantation

Subspecialty:  
Liver Transplantation

Add'l Language:  
Tamil

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

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5415  
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr. (Liver Transplantation): (858) 657-7728  
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices (Gastroenterology): (619) 543-2347

Bio:  
Saumya Jayakumar, MD, is a hepatologist who treats patients with liver disease. Her clinical and research interests include end-stage liver disease, liver transplant and non-alcoholic fatty liver disease.
**Hepatology (Liver) (cont.)**

**Rohit Loomba, MD**  
Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist  
Vice Chief, Gastroenterology  
Director, Hepatology  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Gastroenterology, Hepatology (Liver), Transplantation  
**Subspecialty:**  
Liver Transplantation  
**Add'l Language:**  
Hindi

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

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5415

**Bio:**  
Rohit Loomba, MD, is a board-certified gastroenterologist. His expertise includes treating and managing many types of chronic liver disease, such as nonalcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD), nonalcoholic steatohepatitis, chronic hepatitis, cirrhosis, and hemochromatosis. As a transplant hepatologist, Dr. Loomba works with transplant surgeons in the pre and postoperative care of liver transplant patients. He also directs the NAFLD Research Center at UC San Diego, and leads a multidisciplinary group of investigators to study NAFLD.

**Michel Henry Mendler, MD**  
Gastroenterologist and Transplant Hepatologist  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**  
Gastroenterology, Transplantation, Hepatology (Liver)  
**Subspecialty:**  
Liver Transplantation  
**Add'l Language:**  
French

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive  
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South  
Murrieta - California Oaks Rd

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Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-2347  
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr. (Liver Transplantation): (858) 657-7728  
Direct Clinic Line - Perlman Medical Offices (Gastroenterology): (619) 543-2347  
Direct Clinic Line - Murrieta: (951) 303-0734

**Bio:**  
Michel Mendler, MD, is a gastroenterologist and transplant hepatologist. In addition to colonoscopies, he has expertise in performing upper and lower GI endoscopies and percutaneous liver biopsies to diagnose and treat patients with digestive and liver diseases including liver cancer, alcoholic liver disease and hepatitis.
Irine E. Vodkin, MD
Hepatologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hepatology (Liver), Transplantation, Gastroenterology

Subspecialty:
Liver Transplantation

Add'l Languages:
Russian, Spanish

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-5415

Bio:
Irine Vodkin, MD is a board-certified gastroenterologist with a focus on end-stage liver disease and transplantation.
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