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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

9350 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 92039

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
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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 System.

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 - Liver Center: (619) 543-5415
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr. (Liver Transplantation): (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.

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

Specialty:
Hepatology (Liver)

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

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

Bio:
Tarek Hassanein, MD, is a board-certified gastroenterologist and transplant hepatologist who specializes in liver disease. He provides care to patients at Southern California GI and Liver Centers, a clinical services collaborator of UC San Diego Health. Dr. Hassanein focuses his practice on the management of viral hepatitis, fatty liver disease, cirrhosis, and care of patients before and after liver transplantation.
Hepatology (Liver) *(cont.)*

**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 - Liver Center: (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.

**Yuko Kono, MD**  
Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist  
Associate Professor of Medicine

**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, 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.
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  
Temecula - 31720 Temecula Parkway

**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:**  
Michel Mendler, MD, is a gastroenterologist and transplant hepatologist. He has expertise in performing 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.
Hepatology (Liver) (cont.)

Irine E. Vodkin, MD  
Hepatologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine  

Specialties:  
Hepatology (Liver), Transplantation, Gastroenterology  
Subspeciality:  
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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