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Nephrology (Kidney)

Nephrology is the specialty of medicine and pediatrics focusing on the study of kidney function, and the treatment of kidney problems. Learn more about nephrology (kidney) at UC San Diego Health.

Nadine Benador, MD
Professor of Pediatrics

Specialties:
Pediatrics, Nephrology (Kidney)

Jacobs Medical Center

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Direct Clinic Line: (888) 203-4962

Bethany E. Karl, DO
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Hospital Medicine, Nephrology (Kidney)

Jacobs Medical Center
Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

Bio:
Bethany E. Karl, DO, is board-certified nephrologist. She is an assistant professor in Department of Medicine and works in the Divisions of Nephrology as well as Hospital Medicine at UC San Diego School of Medicine.

Noureddin Nourbakhsh, DO
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

Bio:
Noureddin Nourbakhsh, DO, is a board-certified nephrologist with a special interest in caring for pediatric patients with a range of kidney conditions, including chronic kidney disease, hypertension, renal transplant, genetic renal disorders, glomerulonephritis, and renal cystic disease. He helps lead a clinic twice a month that coordinates the transition of pediatric patients to adult nephrology care as they come of age.
Michael G. Ziegler, MD
Director, Hypertension Clinic; Program Director, UCSD
General Clinical Research Center
Professor

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6303

Bio:
"I carry out research on disorders of blood pressure control. My current studies include studies on the causes of hypertension including genetics, sleep apnea and stress. I also study the causes of postural hypotension including space flight, bed rest and autonomic insufficiency."
Nephrology (Kidney) - Apheresis

Robyn Cunard, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Apheresis, Chronic Kidney Disease

Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

Bio:
Robyn Cunard, MD is a board-certified nephrologist, with a special interest in glomerular diseases. She specializes in general nephrology and hypertension care, hemodialysis and apheresis.

Joachim H. Ix, MD
Chief, Division of Nephrology-Hypertension
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Apheresis

Add'l Language:
German

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

Bio:
Joachim Ix, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for patients with kidney disease, including end-stage renal disease and acute renal failure as a result of underlying conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, lupus, sepsis and glomerulonephritis. He is chief of the Division of Nephrology-Hypertension.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Apheresis (cont.)

Scott Mullaney, MD  
Nephrologist  
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:  
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:  
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Apheresis

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

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest:: (619) 543-6248  
Direct Clinic Line:: (619) 543-6397

Bio:  
Scott Mullaney, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for patients with acute kidney injury, chronic kidney disease and end-stage renal disease with a particular interest in peritoneal dialysis. He is the clinical service chief for the Nephrology Division at UC San Diego Health.

Amber Paratore Sanchez, MD  
Nephrologist  
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:  
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:  
Apheresis, Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion  
Jacobs Medical Center  
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line:: (619) 543-6397  
Direct Clinic Line - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion:: (858) 249-3030

Bio:  
Amber Sanchez, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist and medical director of the therapeutic apheresis program at UC San Diego Health.

Mita M. Shah, MD  
Nephrologist  
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:  
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation

Subspecialties:  
Pancreas Transplantation, Dialysis, Apheresis, Kidney Transplantation

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr:: (858) 657-7729  
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest:: (619) 543-6248

Bio:  
Mita Shah, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who specializes in the care and management of kidney transplant patients with a special interest in the management of immunosuppression to improve long-term graft survival.
Robert W. Steiner, MD  
Co-Director of Transplant Nephrology  
Medical Director, Kidney & Pancreas Transplantation  
Professor of Medicine  

Specialties:  
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation  

Subspecialties:  
Apheresis, Kidney Transplantation  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729  
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248  

Bio:  
In the years I have taught and practiced at UC San Diego (and for a time in the community), I have seen countless improvements in the care of kidney patients. Our understanding of kidney diseases and dialysis management has never been better. At the same time, our ability to prevent kidney transplant failure has markedly improved. We now better understand the risks of living kidney donation. Working with the transplant team at UCSD, and with others across the country, has helped us to successfully address these issues.

Natalie Sweiss, MD, FASN  
Nephrologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine  

Specialty:  
Nephrology (Kidney)  

Subspecialties:  
Chronic Kidney Disease, Critical Care Nephrology, Apheresis  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397  

Bio:  
Natalie Sweiss, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for patients with kidney disease including chronic kidney disease, end-stage kidney disease and acute kidney injury. She provides apheresis and hemodialysis treatments to chronic and acute patients.

Scott Culver Thomson, MD  
Staff Physcian  
Professor of Medicine  

Specialty:  
Nephrology (Kidney)  

Subspecialty:  
Apheresis  

Contact:  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397  

Bio:  
Dr. Thomson is the Chief of Nephrology at VASDH and is responsible for the nephrology service at UC San Diego Thornton Pavilion for 5 to 6 months out of the year.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Apheresis (cont.)

David Malcom Ward, MD, FRCP
Nephrologist
Professor of Clinical Medicine, Emeritus

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation
Subspecialties:
Kidney Transplantation, Apheresis

La Jolla - 4510 Executive Drive
La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397
Direct Clinic Line - Executive Dr.: (858) 657-7729
Direct Clinic Line - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion: (858) 249-3030

Bio:
David Malcom Ward, MD, is a nephrologist who specializes in apheresis, a medical procedure that involves passing a person's blood through a device that separates out a component of the blood from its other parts and returns the remainder of the blood into circulation.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Chronic Kidney Disease

**Joseph A. Abdelmalek, MD**
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Nephrology (Kidney)

**Subspecialties:**
Chronic Kidney Disease, Critical Care Nephrology

**Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

**Bio:**
Joseph Abdelmalek, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for patients with acute kidney injury, chronic kidney disease and end-stage renal disease. He also has expertise in treating electrolyte disorders.

**Tomasz Beben, MD**
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialties:**
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation

**Subspecialties:**
Chronic Kidney Disease, Kidney Transplantation, Dialysis, Transplant Nephrology

**Add'l Language:**
Polish

**Jacobs Medical Center**

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

**Bio:**
Thomasz Beben, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who specializes in chronic kidney disease. He sees patients on dialysis with end-stage renal disease, as well as pre- and post-kidney transplant patients. Dr. Beben also has expertise treating people with hypertensive nephrosclerosis and various electrolyte abnormalities.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Chronic Kidney Disease (cont.)

**Alexander Bullen, MD**  
Nephrologist  
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**  
Nephrology (Kidney)  

**Subspecialties:**  
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Critical Care Nephrology  

**Add'l Languages:**  
Spanish  

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

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6248

**Bio:**  
Alexander Bullen, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who treats people with acute kidney injury, chronic kidney disease and end-stage kidney disease.

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**Dinna N. Cruz, MD, MPH**  
Nephrologist  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**  
Nephrology (Kidney)  

**Subspecialties:**  
Critical Care Nephrology, Chronic Kidney Disease  

**Add'l Languages:**  
Italian, Tagalog  

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

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

**Bio:**  
Dinna Cruz, MD, MPH, is a board-certified nephrologist. Her expertise is treating patients with both acute and chronic kidney diseases caused by all types of underlying conditions, including hypertension, diabetes, polycystic kidney disease, glomerulonephritis, lupus, and sepsis. She specializes in treating people with acute kidney injury (also known as “kidney attack”) and cardiorenal syndrome (individuals affected by both heart and kidney disease).
Nephrology (Kidney) - Chronic Kidney Disease (cont.)

Robyn Cunard, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Nephrology (Kidney)

**Subspecialties:**
Apheresis, Chronic Kidney Disease

**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**
**Jacobs Medical Center**
**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

**Bio:**
Robyn Cunard, MD is a board-certified nephrologist, with a special interest in glomerular diseases. She specializes in general nephrology and hypertension care, hemodialysis and apheresis.

Charles Ginsberg, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Nephrology (Kidney)

**Subspecialties:**
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**
**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6248

**Bio:**
Charles Ginsberg, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who provides care for a wide range of kidney diseases, including chronic kidney disease, glomerulonephritis, hypertension, and acute kidney injury. He has a special interest in polycystic kidney disease, kidney stones, and metabolic bone disease.

Pranav Garimella, MBBS, MPH, FASN
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Nephrology (Kidney)

**Subspecialty:**
Chronic Kidney Disease

**Add'l Languages:**
Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu

**La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices**
**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

**Bio:**
Pranav Garimella, MBBS, MPH, is a board-certified nephrologist who provides care for a wide range of kidney diseases, including chronic kidney disease, glomerulonephritis, hypertension, and acute kidney injury. He has a special interest in polycystic kidney disease, kidney stones, and metabolic bone disease.

Joachim H. Ix, MD
Chief, Division of Nephrology-Hypertension
Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**
Nephrology (Kidney)

**Subspecialties:**
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Apheresis

**Add'l Language:**
German

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

**Contact:**
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

**Bio:**
Joachim Ix, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who provides care for patients with kidney disease, including end-stage renal disease and acute renal failure as a result of underlying conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, lupus, sepsis and glomerulonephritis. He is chief of the Division of Nephrology-Hypertension.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Chronic Kidney Disease (cont.)

Cynthia Miracle, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:** Nephrology (Kidney)

**Subspecialties:**
- Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis

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

**Contact:**
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

**Bio:**
Cynthia M. Miracle, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for chronic hemodialysis and renal transplant patients. She also provides nephrology consultation for patients who are hospitalized.

Scott Mullaney, MD
Nephrologist
Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:** Nephrology (Kidney)

**Subspecialties:**
- Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Apheresis

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

**Contact:**
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- Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248

**Bio:**
Scott Mullaney, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for patients with acute kidney injury, chronic kidney disease and end-stage renal disease with a particular interest in peritoneal dialysis. He is the clinical service chief for the Nephrology Division at UC San Diego Health.

Tamara Rubenzik, MD
Nephrologist and Palliative Care Specialist

**Specialties:**
- Nephrology (Kidney), Palliative Care

**Subspecialties:**
- Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Critical Care Nephrology

**Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center**
**Hillcrest - Medical Offices North**
**Hillcrest - Medical Offices South**
**Moores Cancer Center**
**Jacobs Medical Center**
**Vista - Sycamore Avenue**

**Contact:**
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line - Palliative Care: (858) 534-9061
- Direct Clinic Line - Vista: (760) 697-3000
- Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248

**Bio:**
Tamara Rubenzik, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist and palliative care physician. She works in both the Departments of Nephrology and Palliative Care at UC San Diego Health.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Chronic Kidney Disease (cont.)

Amber Paratore Sanchez, MD
Nephrologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Apheresis, Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion
Jacobs Medical Center
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397
Direct Clinic Line - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion: (858) 249-3030

Bio:
Amber Sanchez, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist and medical director of the therapeutic apheresis program at UC San Diego Health.

Natalie Sweiss, MD, FASN
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Critical Care Nephrology, Apheresis

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

Bio:
Natalie Sweiss, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for patients with kidney disease including chronic kidney disease, end-stage kidney disease and acute kidney injury. She provides apheresis and hemodialysis treatments to chronic and acute patients.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Chronic Kidney Disease (cont.)

Tyler Woodell, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Tyler Woodell, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who treats people with kidney disease, ranging from acute kidney injury to chronic kidney disease and end-stage kidney disease. He has a special interest in treating patients with glomerular disease, which includes conditions such as lupus nephritis, IgA nephropathy and various causes of nephrotic syndrome. He also treats patients with hypertension, electrolyte and acid-base disorders.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Critical Care Nephrology

Joseph A. Abdelmalek, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

- **Specialty:** Nephrology (Kidney)
- **Subspecialties:** Chronic Kidney Disease, Critical Care Nephrology

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

**Contact:**
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

**Bio:**
Joseph Abdelmalek, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for patients with acute kidney injury, chronic kidney disease and end-stage renal disease. He also has expertise in treating electrolyte disorders.

Alexander Bullen, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

- **Specialty:** Nephrology (Kidney)
- **Subspecialties:** Critical Care Nephrology, Chronic Kidney Disease
- **Add'l Language:** Spanish

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

**Contact:**
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

**Bio:**
Alexander Bullen, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who treats people with acute kidney injury, chronic kidney disease and end-stage kidney disease.

Dinna N. Cruz, MD, MPH
Nephrologist
Professor of Medicine

- **Specialty:** Nephrology (Kidney)
- **Subspecialties:** Critical Care Nephrology, Chronic Kidney Disease
- **Add'l Languages:** Italian, Tagalog

**Contact:**
- New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
- Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

**Bio:**
Dinna Cruz, MD, MPH, is a board-certified nephrologist. Her expertise is treating patients with both acute and chronic kidney diseases caused by all types of underlying conditions, including hypertension, diabetes, polycystic kidney disease, glomerulonephritis, lupus, and sepsis. She specializes in treating people with acute kidney injury (also known as "kidney attack") and cardiorenal syndrome (individuals affected by both heart and kidney disease).
Nephrology (Kidney) - Critical Care Nephrology (cont.)

Tamara Rubenzik, MD
Nephrologist and Palliative Care Specialist

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Palliative Care

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Critical Care Nephrology

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
Moores Cancer Center
Jacobs Medical Center
Vista - Sycamore Avenue

Contact:
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Direct Clinic Line - Palliative Care: (858) 534-9061
Direct Clinic Line - Vista: (760) 697-3000
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Tamara Rubenzik, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist and palliative care physician. She works in both the Departments of Nephrology and Palliative Care at UC San Diego Health.

Natalie Sweiss, MD, FASN
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Critical Care Nephrology, Apheresis

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center
Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South
La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

Bio:
Natalie Sweiss, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for patients with kidney disease including chronic kidney disease, end-stage kidney disease and acute kidney injury. She provides apheresis and hemodialysis treatments to chronic and acute patients.
Tomasz Beben, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Kidney Transplantation, Dialysis, Transplant

Additional Language:
Polish

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

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

Bio:
Thomasz Beben, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who specializes in chronic kidney disease. He sees patients on dialysis with end-stage renal disease, as well as pre- and post-kidney transplant patients. Dr. Beben also has expertise treating people with hypertensive nephrosclerosis and various electrolyte abnormalities.

Alexander Bullen, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Critical Care Nephrology

Additional Language:
Spanish

Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center
Jacobs Medical Center

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Alexander Bullen, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who treats people with acute kidney injury, chronic kidney disease and end-stage kidney disease.

Charles Ginsberg, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis

La Jolla - Perlman Medical Offices
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Charles Ginsberg, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who specializes in the management of hypertension, chronic kidney disease, acute kidney injury and electrolyte disturbances.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Dialysis (cont.)

Joachim H. Ix, MD
Chief, Division of Nephrology-Hypertension
Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Apheresis

Add'l Language:
German

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

Bio:
Joachim Ix, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for patients with kidney disease, including end-stage renal disease and acute renal failure as a result of underlying conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, lupus, sepsis and glomerulonephritis. He is chief of the Division of Nephrology-Hypertension.

Etienne Macedo, MD, PhD, FASN
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspeciality:
Dialysis

Add'l Language:
Brazilian Portuguese

La Jolla - Perelman Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6248

Bio:
Etienne Macedo, MD, PhD, is a nephrologist who diagnoses and treats patients with kidney disease, including renal failure, kidney stones and high blood pressure.

Cynthia Miracle, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis

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

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

Bio:
Cynthia M. Miracle, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for chronic hemodialysis and renal transplant patients. She also provides nephrology consultation for patients who are hospitalized.
**Scott Mullaney, MD**  
Nephrologist  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**  
Nephrology (Kidney)

**Subspecialties:**  
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Apheresis

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

**Contact:**  
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Hillcrest: (619) 543-6248  
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 543-6397

**Bio:**  
Scott Mullaney, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who cares for patients with acute kidney injury, chronic kidney disease and end-stage renal disease with a particular interest in peritoneal dialysis. He is the clinical service chief for the Nephrology Division at UC San Diego Health.

**Robert Parmer, MD**  
Professor of Medicine

**Specialty:**  
Nephrology (Kidney)

**Subspecialty:**  
Dialysis

**Hillcrest - UC San Diego Medical Center**  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices North  
Hillcrest - Medical Offices South  
Moores Cancer Center  
Jacobs Medical Center  
Vista - Sycamore Avenue

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New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273  
Direct Clinic Line - Palliative Care: (858) 534-9061  
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**Bio:**  
Dr. Parmer is Professor of Medicine in the Division of Nephrology/Hypertension at the University of California, San Diego, and VA San Diego Healthcare System. Dr. Parmer’s nephrology practice includes: diagnosis and management of essential and secondary forms of hypertension, acute and chronic kidney disease, diabetic nephropathy, hemodialysis, general and ICU nephrology.

**Tamara Rubenzik, MD**  
Nephrologist and Palliative Care Specialist

**Specialties:**  
Nephrology (Kidney), Palliative Care

**Subspecialties:**  
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis, Critical Care Nephrology

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**Bio:**  
Tamara Rubenzik, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist and palliative care physician. She works in both the Departments of Nephrology and Palliative Care at UC San Diego Health.
Amber Paratore Sanchez, MD
Nephrologist
Associate Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Apheresis, Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis

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Bio:
Amber Sanchez, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist and medical director of the therapeutic apheresis program at UC San Diego Health.

Mita M. Shah, MD
Nephrologist
Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Pancreas Transplantation, Dialysis, Apheresis, Kidney Transplantation

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Bio:
Mita Shah, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who specializes in the care and management of kidney transplant patients with a special interest in the management of immunosuppression to improve long-term graft survival.

Tyler Woodell, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Dialysis

Contact:
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Bio:
Tyler Woodell, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who treats people with kidney disease, ranging from acute kidney injury to chronic kidney disease and end-stage kidney disease. He has a special interest in treating patients with glomerular disease, which includes conditions such as lupus nephritis, IgA nephropathy and various causes of nephrotic syndrome. He also treats patients with hypertension, electrolyte and acid-base disorders.
Nephrology (Kidney) - Transplant Nephrology

Tomasz Beben, MD
Nephrologist
Assistant Professor of Medicine

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Chronic Kidney Disease, Kidney Transplantation, Dialysis, Transplant Nephrology

Add'l Language:
Polish

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Bio:
Thomasz Beben, MD, is a board-certified nephrologist who specializes in chronic kidney disease. He sees patients on dialysis with end-stage renal disease, as well as pre- and post-kidney transplant patients. Dr. Beben also has expertise treating people with hypertensive nephrosclerosis and various electrolyte abnormalities.

Moussa Jabbour, MD
Nephrologist

Specialty:
Nephrology (Kidney)

Subspecialty:
Transplant Nephrology

Add'l Language:
Arabic

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Bio:
Moussa Jabbour, MD, is a nephrologist who specializes in providing care for patients with acute kidney injury, chronic kidney disease and end-stage renal disease. He also treats kidney and pancreas transplant patients.

Adnan Khan, MBBS, FASN, FNKF
Nephrologist

Specialties:
Nephrology (Kidney), Transplantation

Subspecialties:
Kidney Transplantation, Transplant Nephrology, Pancreas Transplantation

Add'l Languages:
Hindi, Urdu

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Bio:
Adnan Khan, MBBS, is a board-certified nephrologist who specializes in all aspects of kidney and pancreas transplantation. He also has expertise in treating patients with complex cases of hypertension.
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