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UC San Diego Health Physician Directory

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Urology

Urology is the branch of medicine and physiology concerned with the function and disorders of the urinary system — specifically the urinary tract in women and the urogenital system in men. Learn more about urology at UC San Diego Health System.

Philip C. Bosch, MD
Urologist
Assistant Professor of Urology

Specialty:
Urology

Hillcrest - Medical Offices North

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

Bio:
Philip C. Bosch, MD, is a board-certified urologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating interstitial cystitis/bladder pain syndrome (IC/BPS). IC/BPS is a chronic urinary bladder disease characterized by increased urinary frequency, urgency, and/or pelvic pain.

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.

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.

Jason Woo, MD
Urologist
Assistant Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery

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.
Urology - Incontinence

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.

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

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Incontinence, Urogynecology

Add'l Languages:
French, Spanish

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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.
Urology - Kidney Stones

Seth K. Bechis, MD
Urologist
Assistant Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Kidney Stones, Minimally Invasive Surgery

Encinitas - Garden View
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.

Roger Sur, MD
Director, Comprehensive Kidney Stone Center
Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery

Subspecialty:
Kidney Stones

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

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New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
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Bio:
Roger Sur, MD, is a board-certified urologist and director of the Comprehensive Kidney Stone Center at UC San Diego Health. He completed an endourology society fellowship at Duke University Medical Center training under a world renowned kidney stone specialist.
Urology - Male Infertility

T. Mike Hsieh, MD
Urologist
Associate Professor of Urology

Specialties:
Urology, Infertility, Surgery

Subspecialty:
Male Infertility

Add'l Languages:
Mandarin, Taiwanese

La Jolla - Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion

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.
Urology - Urogynecology

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

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

Specialties:
Urology, Surgery

Subspecialties:
Incontinence, Urogynecology

Add'l Languages:
French, Spanish

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Urology - Urologic Cancer

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.

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 prostate 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).

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.

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.
Kyoko Sakamoto, MD  
Urologist  
Professor of Urology

**Specialties:**  
Urology, Cancer, Surgery  

**Subspecialties:**  
Minimally Invasive Surgery, Urologic Cancer, Urologic Cancer

**Add'l Language:**  
Japanese

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

**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: (619) 543-3572

**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.
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