UC San Diego Health Physician Directory

Our physicians are recognized leaders in their professional societies, heading national organizations and committees dedicated to improving care and advancing knowledge about disease. They are prominently listed in publications such as America’s Top Doctors and *U.S. News & World Report*’s rankings of outstanding physicians and clinical programs.

Patient Access

Request an Appointment
Whether you’re looking for a primary care physician (PCP), need a specialist for treatment or are seeking a second opinion, you can make an appointment by following the steps below:

- **New Patients (who have never seen a UC San Diego Health provider)**
  To register as a new patient and schedule an appointment, call **800-926-8273**, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- **Current Patients**
  Contact your physician’s office directly to schedule an appointment or call the main switchboard number, **858-657-7000**, and ask to be transferred to your physician’s office.

- **Find a Doctor**
  To use our physician search website to find a physician by name or to search for a specialist, visit: [doctors.ucsd.edu](http://doctors.ucsd.edu).

Referring Physician Access

Transfer a Patient
For hospital-to-hospital transfers, call **619-543-5709** (24-hour service) for instructions or to speak to a transfer coordinator.

Consultations
If you need to talk with one of our physicians about a case or if you have any problems or concerns, please contact us at **855-543-0555** from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. We want to hear from you.

Refer Your Patient
Call Physician Access at **855-543-0555** or fax **888-539-8781** and our team will register and schedule your referred patient. You will receive follow-up communication (consultation notes, discharges, etc.), as well as access to our electronic medical record system, UCSD Link.
Locations

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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 92093
Jacobs Medical Center
9300 Campus Point Drive
La Jolla, CA 92037

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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
Encinitas
1200 Garden View Road
Encinitas, CA 92024
477 North El Camino Real
Encinitas, CA 92024

Vista
910 Sycamore Avenue
Vista, CA 92081

Kearny Mesa
7910 Frost Street
San Diego, CA 92123
Rady Children’s Hospital-San Diego
3020 Children’s Way
San Diego, CA 92123

Chula Vista
959 Lane Avenue
Chula Vista, CA 91914

Temecula
31720 Temecula Parkway
Temecula, CA 92592

Sorrento Valley
4910 Directors Place
San Diego, CA 92121

Scripps Ranch
9909 Mira Mesa Blvd.
San Diego, CA 92131
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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.

Timothy Barounis, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatrics

Scripps Ranch - Mira Mesa Blvd

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

Bio:
Timothy Barounis, 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. As a family physician with advanced training in obstetrics care, Dr. Barounis can provide prenatal care and deliver babies. His clinical care also focuses on women's health and family planning.

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

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatrics
Add'l Languages:
Portuguese, Spanish

La Jolla - 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.

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

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Pediatrics

Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices

Contact:
New Patient Registration: (800) 926-8273
Direct Clinic Line: (619) 471-9280

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.

Laura H. DiPaolo, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Pediatrics

Scripps Ranch - Mira Mesa Blvd

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 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. Dr. DiPaolo's expertise includes women's health issues, contraception, performing sports/school physicals, and nutrition and weight management.
Family Medicine (cont.)

Rina S. Edi, MD
Primary Care Physician
La Jolla - Genesee Avenue

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Pediatrics

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 is in providing 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.

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

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Scripps Ranch - 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 physician. 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, Pediatrics

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

Scripps Ranch - 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.

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

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Pediatrics

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

Scripps Ranch - 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, Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
Korean

Scripps Ranch - 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, Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Scripps Ranch - Mira Mesa Blvd
La Jolla - Genesee Avenue

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

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.

Allison M. Lynch, MD
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
Spanish

La Jolla - 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.
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, Pediatrics

Add'l Language:
Spanish

Scripps Ranch - 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.

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

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine

La Jolla - Genesee Avenue

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

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.

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

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Pediatrics

Scripps Ranch - Mira Mesa Blvd

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

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.

Chad Osborne, MD
Primary Care Physician
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Pediatrics

La Jolla - 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.
Family Medicine (cont.)

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

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Pediatrics

Add'l Languages:
French, Spanish, Swahili

La Jolla - 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.

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, Pediatrics

La Jolla - Genesee Avenue
Hillcrest - 4th & Lewis Medical Offices
La Jolla - 4520 Executive Drive

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 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.

Christine Thorne, MD, MPH
Primary Care Physician

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Pediatrics

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.
Family Medicine (cont.)

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

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatrics
Add'l Languages:
Korean, Mandarin

La Jolla - 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.

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

Specialties:
Primary Care, Family Medicine, Pediatrics

La Jolla - 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, Pediatrics, Obstetrics & Gynecology

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.
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