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## UC San Diego Health System Continues to Provide Exceptional Care by “Top Docs”

### 106 UC San Diego Physicians in 40 Specialties Named Best Doctors in Region

More than 100 physicians from UC San Diego Health System were named “Top Docs” in the annual *San Diego Magazine* “Physicians of Exceptional Excellence” annual survey. These physicians represent 40 diverse specialties, from internal medicine and oncology to obstetrics, cardiovascular and surgical care.

“As the only academic hospital in the region, UC San Diego Health System strives to serve the community with the best experts and state-of-the-art health care. We are honored to be recognized in a wide array of medical and surgical specialties,” said Paul Viviano, CEO, UC San Diego Health System. “This designation reflects the dedication of leaders in both clinical practice and research who provide a combination of high quality care, compassion and breakthrough discoveries. The ‘Top Docs’ list is also a valuable tool for patients who may be seeking prenatal care, a specialist for a chronic condition or who may need to select a primary care physician.”

The “Top Docs” annual survey, made possible through a partnership with the San Diego County Medical Society and *San Diego Magazine*, gives physician peers the opportunity to vote for board-certified physicians practicing in San Diego County to whom they would refer their own patients and family members. This year, there were 778 “Top Docs” named in the region.

UC San Diego Health System had 101 physicians ranked as “Top Docs” in 40 specialties. Nine physicians within this group rank in more than one specialty.

Recently, UC San Diego Health System was again ranked among the nation’s best in *U.S. News & World Report’s* 2014-15 “[America’s Best Hospitals](#)” issue. The magazine placed UC San Diego Health System number one in the San Diego metropolitan area and fifth in California, with national rankings in 11 specialties, placing it among the nation’s most prestigious institutions.

UC San Diego Health System was also awarded with an “A” for top grade patient safety by the latest Hospital Safety Score, and UC San Diego Medical Center in Hillcrest was named one of “100 Great Hospitals in America” by *Becker’s Hospital Review*.

UC San Diego Health System is comprised of UC San Diego Medical Center – Hillcrest, Thornton Hospital, Moores Cancer Center and Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center in La Jolla. Patients who are seeking care at UC San Diego Health System may also choose from outpatient clinics in La Jolla, Hillcrest, Downtown, Encinitas, Vista, Scripps Ranch, Kearny Mesa and Chula Vista.

In 2016, UC San Diego Health System will open Jacobs Medical Center, the largest new hospital project in southern California. The 10-story, 509,500-square-foot expansion of UC San Diego Health System’s La Jolla campus will offer three specialty hospitals, including the Pauline and Stanley Foster Hospital for Cancer Care, the Hospital for Advanced Surgery and the Hospital for Women and Infants.

To learn more about our “Top Docs” and how to make an appointment with them, please visit: [http://health.ucsd.edu/UCSD\\_MD/Pages/top-doctors.aspx](http://health.ucsd.edu/UCSD_MD/Pages/top-doctors.aspx) or [www.health.ucsd.edu](http://www.health.ucsd.edu)

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