

## Surgical Care Affiliates and UCSD Medical Center to Partner in Surgical Center

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**B**irmingham, Ala., – Surgical Care Affiliates (SCA), one of the country’s largest providers of specialty surgical services, announced today that it has entered into a joint venture relationship with University of California San Diego (UCSD) Medical Center to partner in the operation of the existing UTC SurgiCenter located at 8929 University Center Lane. Under the new partnership, the center will operate under the new name, University Ambulatory Surgery Center.

“We are pleased to be entering into this partnership with UCSD to better serve the San Diego area,” said Mike Snow, president and chief executive officer of SCA. “This is a perfect fit with our business objective of partnering with high-quality healthcare providers in order to meet the surgical needs of a local community.”

“This partnership with SCA allows us to meet our increasing demand for ambulatory surgical capacity, and positions us to expand and develop these services to serve a growing population into the future,” said Tom McAfee, M.D., Physician-in-Chief, UCSD Health Sciences. “UCSD surgeons have been pioneers in developing minimally invasive techniques, which shorten recovery time and improve the overall experience for the patient. This partnership will enhance our ability to offer our patients leading edge treatment in a well-established and convenient location.”

University Ambulatory Surgery Center will continue to operate as a multi-specialty center offering orthopedics, pain management, ophthalmology, general surgery, otolaryngology, urology, plastics and podiatry. SCA will continue to provide the day to day management of the center.

### **About Surgical Care Affiliates**

Surgical Care Affiliates (SCA), with its affiliated physicians and partners, is committed to delivering high quality surgical services to ensure a superior patient experience and clinical outcome. One of the largest providers of specialty surgical services, SCA operates approximately 130 ambulatory surgery centers and surgical hospitals across the country with 6,000 employees and more than 3,000 physician partners. For more information on SCA, visit [www.scasurgery.com](http://www.scasurgery.com) .

## About UCSD

As the only academic medical center serving San Diego and Imperial Counties, UC San Diego Medical Center offers innovative, leading edge patient care. The clinical system encompasses two hospitals and multiple ambulatory care sites, backed up by a world-renowned biomedical research program and top-tier medical and pharmacy schools. In addition to primary and multi-specialty care, UCSD also offers several clinical centers of excellence, including the region's only National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center, a cardiovascular center, eye center, organ transplantation services, Level 1 Trauma and Burn Centers, advanced surgical and orthopedic care, and a regional high-risk pregnancy/infant special care program.

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