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UC San Diego Health Named Official Health Care Provider of the San Diego Seals

New professional lacrosse team's first home game is January 12 at Pechanga Arena San Diego

As the San Diego Seals open their inaugural season, the professional box lacrosse team has selected UC San Diego Health, the region's only academic health system, as its Official Health Care Provider.

On-site medical care for all athletes at Seals training camps and home games is led by UC San Diego Health's David E.J. Bazzo, MD, primary care physician/sports medicine specialist and head team physician; Catherine M. Robertson, MD, chief of Sports Medicine, associate team physician and lead orthopedic surgeon; Bryan T. Leek, MD, orthopedic surgeon and associate team physician; and Kenneth S. Taylor, MD, primary care physician/sports medicine specialist and associate team physician; with the support of a massage therapist and nutritionist.



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OFFICIAL HEALTH CARE PROVIDER OF THE SEALS

“We’re excited to partner with the Seals as they bring professional indoor lacrosse to our region,” Bazzo said. “The sport is known for being fast and physical and we look forward to applying our own team approach to help keep these players in top

shape.”

Through this partnership, Seals athletes have access to advanced sports medicine and orthopedics care, including emerging surgical techniques and imaging and diagnostic tools. The team also benefits from UC San Diego Health's expertise in family medicine, nutrition education and massage therapy. UC San Diego Health and the Seals will collaborate on outreach and awareness efforts to promote fitness and healthy living in the local community.

“It is a great honor to be associated with the premier brand in health care in San Diego County,” said Steve Govett, San Diego Seals president. “The Seals are proud to partner with UC San Diego Health, who are leaders in community outreach, groundbreaking research and inspired

teaching.”

In addition to this partnership with the Seals, UC San Diego Health is the Official Health Care Provider for the San Diego Padres, Regional Medical Center for the U.S. Olympic Committee, and provides medical care for UC San Diego Athletics, the San Diego Sockers and many other local teams, schools and community events.

About UC San Diego Health

UC San Diego Health, the region’s only academic health system, is dedicated to delivering outstanding patient care through commitment to community, groundbreaking research and inspired teaching. For 2018-19, *U.S. News & World Report* ranked UC San Diego Health among the nation’s best in six adult medical and surgical specialties, including pulmonology, geriatrics, cardiology, cancer, neurology and orthopedics. The 808-bed academic health system includes UC San Diego Medical Center in Hillcrest and Jacobs Medical Center, Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center, Moores Cancer Center, Shiley Eye Institute, Koman Family Outpatient Pavilion and Altman Clinical and Translational Research Institute, all in La Jolla, as well as primary care and same-day services at clinics throughout Southern California. For more information, visit health.ucsd.edu

About San Diego Seals

The San Diego Seals are an expansion team in the 33-year-old National Lacrosse League (NLL), the world’s only professional box lacrosse league. The league ranks third in average attendance for professional indoor sports worldwide, behind the NBA and NHL. San Diego hosts its inaugural season home-opener on Sat., Jan. 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The Seals will play their home games at Pechanga Arena San Diego, the city’s leading destination for sporting events, family shows and live entertainment. For more information, visit SealsLax.com or follow the Seals on social media.

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