



New to UC Irvine Healthcare



Jose A. Carrillo, MD • Neuro-Oncology

Dr. Jose A. Carrillo is a neuro-oncologist with UC Irvine Healthcare's Comprehensive Brain Tumor Program. He specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of primary and secondary brain tumors, including glioblastoma multiforme and brain metastases, as well as the neurologic complications of cancer. His research interests involve neuroimaging features of brain tumors and molecular markers as they

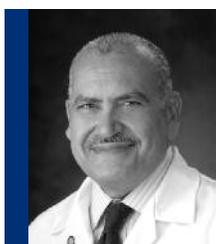
apply to brain tumor treatment and survival. He is enrolling patients in several clinical trials at UC Irvine Medical Center. Carrillo earned his medical degree from Dartmouth Medical School in Hanover, N.H. He completed his residency training in neurology at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, followed by a fellowship in neuro-oncology at UCLA Medical Center. He is board certified in neurology.



Hamed Farid, MD • Neurointerventional Radiology

Dr. Hamed Farid is a board-certified radiologist specializing in neurointerventional radiology and is part of UC Irvine Healthcare's Stroke & Cerebrovascular Center, a Joint Commission-certified primary stroke center. He has expertise in the minimally invasive diagnosis and treatment of vascular diseases of the brain, head and neck, and spine. Among the conditions he treats are cerebral aneurysms, arteriovenous

malformations, arteriovenous fistulas, stroke, meningiomas, retinoblastoma, head and neck tumors, and extracranial and paraspinal vascular malformations. Farid received his medical degree and completed a residency in radiology at the University of California, San Diego. He also completed a diagnostic neuroradiology fellowship at UCSF, then completed a fellowship in neurointerventional radiology at UC San Francisco.



Gamal M. Ghoniem, MD, FACS • Urology

Dr. Gamal M. Ghoniem specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of female urologic conditions, particularly urinary incontinence and pelvic prolapse. He is the North America representative for the International Urogynecology Association (IUGA) and a member of the IUGA executive board. The National Institutes of Health appointed him chairman of the review panel on incontinence in 2009. He has edited

two books on female pelvic medicine and has written or co-written for more than 130 publications, authored 21 surgical videos and published 23 book chapters. Ghoniem earned his medical degree from Alexandria Medical School in Alexandria, Egypt, and completed residency training at the University of Alexandria in Egypt and the University of Michigan. He completed fellowships in neurology and female urology at Brown University in Rhode Island. Previous to joining UC Irvine, he was on the faculty at Tulane University and Cleveland Clinic.



Chandana Lall, MD • Radiology

Dr. Chandana (Sandy) Lall is a board-certified radiologist specializing in abdominal radiology. She offers the entire spectrum of abdominal and pelvic radiologic procedures, but her focus is in pancreatic and hepatobiliary CT and MRI studies, post-transplantation imaging, image-guided intervention and fetal MRI. Lall received her medical degree cum laude from the University of New Delhi School of

Medicine. She completed a three-year diagnostic radiology residency at Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi, followed by a four-year diagnostic radiology residency at Maimonides Medical Center, an affiliate of SUNY Brooklyn, N.Y. She then completed a one-year fellowship in abdominal imaging and intervention at Beth Israel Medical Center in New York. Prior to her appointment at UC Irvine, Lall was chief of CT at Louisiana State University and abdominal imaging fellowship director at Indiana University School of Medicine.



Jeannette Lin, MD • Cardiology

Dr. Jeannette Lin specializes in adult cardiology and has advanced training in adult congenital heart disease. She has research interests in the management of pulmonary hypertension resulting from congenital heart disease. Lin also treats patients with coronary artery disease and heart failure. She is part of the multidisciplinary team at the Cardiovascular Center at UC Irvine Medical Center.

Lin received her medical degree from the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine, where she completed a residency in internal medicine. She completed a fellowship in cardiovascular diseases at UC Irvine and did further training in congenital heart disease at UCLA. Prior to attending medical school, she earned a master's degree in philosophy and social anthropology at Cambridge University in England.



Aimee L. Pierce, MD • Neurology

Dr. Aimee L. Pierce is a board-certified neurologist with a focus in memory disorders and dementia. She has expertise in the evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment of Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, dementia with Lewy bodies, and other forms of dementia. She uses advanced diagnostic techniques including neuropsychologic testing, cerebrospinal fluid analysis, MRI and PET to evaluate patients with memory

loss. She also performs neurobehavioral assessment in patients with cognitive manifestations of stroke, multiple sclerosis, brain tumors, genetic diseases, other neurodegenerative diseases, traumatic brain injury and psychiatric illnesses. Pierce received her medical degree from Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York. She completed a residency in neurology at UCLA and a fellowship in geriatric neurology and dementia at UC San Diego / VA San Diego.



Alessio Pigazzi, MD, PhD • Colon and Rectal Surgery

Dr. Alessio Pigazzi is an international expert in minimally invasive colon and rectal surgery and other innovative treatments. He performed the world's first robotic total mesorectal resection for rectal cancer and is skilled in robotic surgery for pelvic iatrogenic injuries, specifically rectourethral and vaginal fistulas. Additionally, Pigazzi performs transvaginal colectomy for women who wish to avoid an abdominal scar. He also offers hyperthermic intraperitoneal

chemotherapy, combined with cytoreductive surgery, for peritoneal carcinomatosis. Pigazzi received a medical degree from Università degli Studi di Roma "La Sapienza." He earned both an MD and a PhD from Boston University School of Medicine. He completed his residency in surgery at New York Presbyterian Hospital, Cornell University, followed by a fellowship in laparoscopic and robotic surgery at Hackensack Medical Center, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.



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Stamos Heads Department of Surgery



Michael J. Stamos, MD, has been appointed the John E. Connolly Chair in Surgery, after leading the Department of Surgery as acting chair since 2010.

Stamos established and was chief of the department's Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery and has contributed to the growth of the H.H. Chao Comprehensive Digestive Disease Center. He has a special interest in colon and rectal cancer, minimally invasive surgery

and the treatment of inflammatory bowel disease. Listed among America's Best Doctors®, Stamos is president-elect of the American Board of Colon and Rectal Surgery and chair of its Examination Committee. He has published more than 100

peer-reviewed manuscripts and 30 book chapters and has served as the editor of four textbooks

Stamos graduated from Case Western University School of Medicine in Cleveland and completed a general surgery residency at Jackson Memorial Hospital, University of Miami School of Medicine. He subsequently completed a fellowship in colon and rectal surgery at the Ochsner Foundation Hospital in New Orleans. Prior to arriving at UC Irvine, Stamos was an associate professor of surgery at UCLA School of Medicine and served as chief of colon and rectal surgery at the VA West Los Angeles Medical Center and Harbor UCLA Medical Center.

Mosqueda Named Chair of Department of Family Medicine



Laura Mosqueda, MD, has been appointed as chair of the Department of Family Medicine and will remain the director of the Program in Geriatrics and the Ronald Regan Endowed Chair in Geriatrics.

Since her arrival at UC Irvine in 1998, Mosqueda has fostered several initiatives to improve the care of older adults and their families. The SeniorHealth Center has become a premier outpatient medical practice for older

adults. UC Irvine School of Medicine received a prestigious Donald W. Reynolds Foundation award to integrate geriatric medical education into medical training.

She established a Center of Excellence on Elder Abuse and Neglect. Mosqueda was recognized this year by the U.S. Department of Justice with the Award for Professional Innovation in Victim Services.

As chair of the Department of Family Medicine, she looks forward to transforming the department into one of the nation's best.

Mosqueda is a board-certified family physician and is one America's Best Doctors®. She received her bachelor's degree at Occidental College in Los Angeles and received her medical degree at the University of Southern California, where she also completed her residency and fellowship in geriatrics.

News in Brief

For the 11th consecutive year, UC Irvine Medical Center has been ranked among the **America's Best Hospitals** by *U.S. News & World Report*, listed 28th for gynecology, 30th for urology and 50th for cancer and kidney disorders. UC Irvine is the only Orange County medical center consistently rated one of America's Best Hospitals by the publication, which evaluated nearly 5,000 hospitals nationwide. In the publication's metropolitan area rankings, UC Irvine Medical Center was rated the top hospital in Orange County. In addition, more than 80 doctors affiliated with UC Irvine Healthcare are included in the U.S. News "Top Doctors" database, created in collaboration with Castle Connolly Medical Ltd.

UC Irvine Medical Center surgeons are the **first on the West Coast to offer spine surgery using SpineAssist®**, a computerized guidance system designed to guide the surgeon to more precisely and accurately place screws and other implants employed in spine stabilization. The system, used by orthopaedic and neurological surgeons, can increase the accuracy of spinal implants in up to 98.3 percent of cases and significantly lower the rates of misplaced screws and subsequent neurological problems, according to a published study.

Continuing medical education events are scheduled throughout fall 2011.

"Minimally Invasive Surgery" an event for general, colorectal and GI surgeons, gastroenterologists and primary care physicians, is Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 at Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas. Information: 714.456.2213.

"Timely Topics in Emergency Care" on October 7 at UC Irvine Medical Center targets healthcare and prehospital professionals and addresses state-of-the art trauma management. Info: 714.456.5876. The fourth annual

"Gastroenterology and Hepatology Symposium" is scheduled Oct. 7 and 8 at the Aria in Las Vegas. Information: 714.456.2213. The third annual

UC Irvine Stroke Symposium will be held Oct. 29 at the Fairmont Hotel, Newport Beach. Information: 714.456.8223. **"Cytoreductive Surgery for Ovarian Cancer and Gynecological Peritoneal Surface Malignancies,"** including cadaver dissection, will be held Nov. 4 and 5 at UC Irvine Medical Center and the Doubletree Hotel, Orange. Information: 714.456.2967.

For a complete listing of CMEs, visit www.meded.uci.edu/CME.