Points of Distinction

2024
Grounded in equity, we provide unparalleled care across California, transforming lives and communities. Our teams research and develop trailblazing therapies and technologies; educate and prepare a future-ready workforce; and drive excellence into all we do as we create tomorrow’s health care today.

Our work includes:

- Acting as a crucial specialty and subspecialty care resource for inland Northern California
- Providing the highest-level trauma care for our region
- Advancing diagnosis, treatment and prevention through research
- Educating providers and the health care leaders of the future
- Training and supporting rural health providers
- Ensuring safety net support for health care in urban and rural areas
Our academic health system includes:

- UC Davis Medical Center
- UC Davis School of Medicine
- Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis
- UC Davis Children’s Hospital
- UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center
- UC Davis Health Primary Care
- UC Davis MIND Institute
- UC Davis Rehabilitation Hospital
- Community partnerships with dozens of organizations and health providers across our 33-county Northern California service area, to improve levels of patient care everywhere

An enlightened employer:

- No. 51 on the 2024 Forbes list of America’s Best Large Employers, and No. 15 on the 2023 Forbes list of California’s best employers
- A Forbes Best Employer for Diversity 2024, and one of Newsweek’s America’s Greatest Workplaces for Diversity 2024
- One of Newsweek’s America’s Greatest Workplaces for Women 2024 for large companies
- One of Newsweek’s America’s Greatest Workplaces for Parents and Families 2023
- Perennially named an LGBTQ+ Healthcare Equality Leader in Healthcare Equality Index rankings, and a Newsweek America’s Greatest Workplaces for LGBTQ+ 2024
- One of Newsweek’s America’s Greatest Workplaces for Job Starters 2024
Nationally renowned UC Davis Medical Center is a leading referral center for the most seriously injured or ill patients and the most medically complex cases. It is nationally ranked in eight adult and three pediatric specialty areas.

**Best Hospitals**
- Ranked among the nation’s top 50 hospitals in cancer, cardiology, heart & vascular surgery, diabetes & endocrinology, ENT, geriatrics, neurology & neurosurgery, orthopedics, and pulmonology & lung surgery
- Ranked among the nation’s top 50 children’s hospitals in diabetes & endocrinology, nephrology, and orthopedics* *Together with Shriners Children’s
- High-performing in COPD, colon cancer surgery, gynecological cancer surgery, heart attack, heart failure, hip fracture, kidney failure (acute), leukemia, lymphoma & myeloma, lung cancer surgery, pneumonia, prostate cancer surgery, spinal fusion, stroke, transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR), and gastroenterology & GI surgery

**NICU**
- A level IV NICU (the highest possible rating)

**Level I Trauma Center**
- The only level I trauma center for both adult and pediatric emergencies in inland Northern California

**Overall Clinical Performance**
- Among the top 2% of U.S. hospitals for overall clinical performance by Healthgrades

Among the nation’s best hospitals for adults and children, one of the top 10 hospitals in California, and the #1 hospital in Sacramento for adult care
Building for the future, in Sacramento and beyond:
- New California Tower, with single rooms and more critical-care adaptability
- New same-day surgery center, to boost capacity
- Expanding in fast-growing Folsom and Elk Grove, for care closer to home
- UC Davis Rehabilitation Hospital opened in April 2023, to provide expanded rehabilitation services in a state-of-the-art facility on our campus
- Ernest E. Tschannen Eye Institute opened in December 2022, expanding capabilities

Hospital and patient statistics

- 656 Licensed beds
- 90,405 ER visits
- 1,023,188 Clinic/office visits
- 33,775 Admissions*

*Inpatient admissions; does not include 15,977 observation days

The nation’s highest recognition for nursing excellence

Promoting healthier aging:
Age-Friendly Health System Committed to Care Excellence designations:
- Medical Center (inpatient)
- Healthy Aging Clinic (outpatient)
- Emergency Department
- Plus highest-level Geriatric Emergency Department Accreditation

Philanthropy impact
The Victor and Phela Vesci Trust donated the Children’s Hospital’s largest gift ever — $8 million to establish endowments for pediatric intensive care, lung and gastrointestinal programs
Innovative UC Davis interprofessional education gives the health care workforce of tomorrow the skills and values needed to lead change and improve health for all.

Among the nation’s best graduate schools
The UC Davis School of Medicine ranked among the nation’s best by *U.S. News & World Report* in 2024, including #4 for diversity, Tier 1, or top, category for primary care, and Tier 2 for research.

The Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing also ranks among the nation’s best, with *U.S. News* ranking the school’s Master’s Entry Program in Nursing as #24 for 2024 (tie). The Master of Health Services – Physician Assistant (P.A.) Studies Degree Program placed #40 (tie) in the most recent multi-year rankings, issued in 2023.

Innovative training prepares future health providers to treat underserved communities:
- Urban and rural areas
- California’s Central Valley
- California’s tribal communities
- By closing the primary care gap

The Center for Health and Technology offers telehealth education programs for community providers, students and residents, with collaborations around specific conditions.

Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing
Summer Health Institute for Nursing Exploration and Success illustrates pathways into nursing for underserved high school students.
Faculty, staff & students

19,501
Total workforce

Includes:

15,263
Staff

1,284
Faculty*

1,019
Residents and fellows

1,144
Students

1,379
Physicians**

3,886
Nurses

*Not including volunteer
**Direct care providers

For more than 40 years, UC Davis health care students have volunteered countless hours in free community clinics delivering care for underserved populations

2023 Health Professions Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award from INSIGHT Into Diversity magazine for School of Medicine & School of Nursing

Philanthropy impact

Drs. Richard White and Paula Watts-White gave $800,000 to establish an endowment for general internal medicine

Drs. Lydia and Stephen Howell gave $2 million to create an endowed chair in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
UC Davis Health research includes clinical, translational and basic-science studies, with an emphasis on collaboration and improving health for people, communities and entire populations.

Confronting major health threats

- One of 50+ U.S. cancer centers designated “comprehensive” by the National Cancer Institute, and part of the University of California’s Cancer Consortium, drawing on the entire UC system to advance care
- 30 years of continuous funding for the Alzheimer’s Disease Research Center (a congressionally designated NIH Center of Excellence), and members of California’s Alzheimer’s Disease Task Force
- Home to the School of Nursing’s Family Caregiving Institute
- Part of the Nutrition for Precision Health study to customize diet based on individual genetics, gut microbes, and other unique characteristics
- Home to the first state-funded center for firearm violence research

The Clinical and Translational Science Center helps advance lab findings into treatments, engage communities in research, and educate the next generation of clinicians and scientists

Improving health for all:

- Center for Reducing Health Disparities
- Institute for Regenerative Cures
- MIND Institute
- Center for Precision Medicine
- Center for Professional Practice of Nursing
- Center for Healthcare Policy and Research
- Center for Health and Technology
Research funding in 2023

$401.4 million in external research funding

$209 million in National Institutes of Health funding

- ranked 33rd in the U.S.
- 9 departments ranked in top 20 nationally in their fields (4 of them in top 10)

Philanthropy impact

The Preston-Werner Family Fund gave $530,000 to the MIND Institute’s Innovative Research Fund

Paul and Michelle Kaplan gave $90,000 to the MIND Institute to support Fragile X research led by Drs. Paul and Randi Hagerman

59 currently active cell and gene therapy clinical trials through the UC Davis Institute for Regenerative Cures and colleagues at UC Davis Health

Home to the CuRe Trial, the world’s first stem cell clinical trial in utero for spina bifida

Researchers at the Family Caregiving Institute at the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing evaluate services to expand and improve California’s Caregiver Resource Centers
UC Davis Health actively engages with the diverse communities it serves in Sacramento, Northern California and beyond.

The UC Davis Health Cancer Care Network unites multiple cancer centers to offer patients leading-edge care in their own communities.

A unique farm-to-fork food service program prioritizes nutritious local ingredients and sustainability, for individual and community health.

Expanded virtual care partnerships with many community and regional hospitals increase access to higher levels of care in rural areas.

**Improving care and access through technology**

- Using artificial intelligence to enhance disease screening and prediction
- VALID AI partnership to accelerate ethical, evidence-based AI adoption
- Multiple collaborations and programs to advance remote care through wearable devices
- Creating a regional digital public health platform to improve access and continuity of care for vulnerable populations
For 12 consecutive years, a “Most Wired” health system for excellence in using technology to improve care delivery

Innovative partnerships with many Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) provide a comprehensive mix of primary care, specialty care and behavioral health to thousands of underserved patients across the region

A new Nurse-Led Mobile Clinic staffed by School of Nursing faculty and students serves homeless and refugee populations

Recognized as a Health Care Climate Action Winner for Climate Resilience and Leadership in 2023 by Health Care Without Harm

Earned Top 25 Environmental Excellence Awards from Practice Greenhealth in 2022, 2023 and 2024

Youth violence intervention and traffic safety education through our Injury and Violence Prevention Program

Philanthropy impact

Hyundai Motor America donated $100,000 to support unique virtual visits to the zoo, museums and other local attractions for pediatric cancer patients who can’t leave the hospital

Teams from the MIND Institute and UC Davis Parent Giving meet regularly with families from the Redwood SEED Scholars, a novel college program for students with intellectual disabilities
Leadership

David Lubarsky, M.D., M.B.A., F.A.S.A.
Chief Executive Officer, UC Davis Health & Vice Chancellor, Human Health Sciences

Debbie Aizenberg, M.D.
Ambulatory Chief Medical Officer and Executive Director for UC Davis Medical Group

Ron Amodeo, M.A.
Chief Strategy Officer

Ashish Atreja, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.C.P., A.G.A.F.
Chief Information and Digital Health Officer

Stephen J. Cavanagh, Ph.D., R.N., F.A.A.N.
Dean, Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing

Colleen E. Clancy, Ph.D.
Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Personnel

Michael Condrin, M.B.A.
System Chief Operating Officer and Chief Administrator for UC Davis Medical Center

David Del Pizzo, M.H.A., R.V.T., R.D.M.S.
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