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MEDICAL BREAKTHROUGHS AT UCLA

1955
UCLA Medical Center opens

1956
The first open-heart surgery in the western United States is performed at UCLA Medical Center.

1958
UCLA researchers develop the first techniques for fetal monitoring.
UCLA Health. It’s a partnership among you and our doctors, researchers, nurses and staff, who are dedicated to making a difference in your life on a daily basis — all working together to advance the field of medicine, while offering you the finest personal care and treatments available today.

People seek us out at the most vulnerable times of their lives. That is why, with our foundation of outstanding academic medicine, cutting-edge technologies and first-rate facilities in Westwood and Santa Monica, we pledge to the 2.5-million patients who enter our medical offices and the more than 100,000 patients who are admitted to our hospitals each year that we will treat each and every one as we would members of our own families.

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UCLA Health: Accolades and Achievements

Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center ranks as the No. 1 medical center in the western U.S. and No. 5 in the nation

Mattel Children’s Hospital UCLA ranks among the top U.S. pediatric hospitals

Stewart and Lynda Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital at UCLA ranks No. 1 in the West and among the top-10 in the country

Ophthalmology services at UCLA Stein Eye and Doheny Eye Institutes rank No. 5 in the country

Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center earns Magnet Status for Nursing Excellence

Our faculty ranks among the top-10 in the nation in National Institutes of Health medical-research funding

UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica is named a distinguished hospital for clinical excellence

UCLA Medical Group awarded Gold Level Achievement for clinical quality by the California Department of Managed Health Care

UCLA is a national leader in organ transplantation

UCLA Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center is designated as one of only 40 U.S. comprehensive cancer centers

UCLA has a Level 1 trauma center for both adults and children

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With four hospitals and more than 150 community offices and outpatient clinics, we can provide cutting-edge care for routine and specialized treatments in convenient locations. In addition to clinical services, UCLA Health and the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA conduct research and educate the next generation of physicians and medical scientists. If UCLA is in the name, you can be confident that you or your loved ones are receiving exceptional care in an unparalleled environment of compassion and respect.

**UCLA Health in Your Community**

UCLA delivers primary and specialty healthcare in more than 150 convenient offices throughout Los Angeles, including five health centers exclusively serving the entertainment industry. Some of the many communities we serve include:

- Alhambra
- Arcadia
- Brentwood
- Burbank
- Century City
- Fountain Valley
- Irvine
- Northridge
- Pacific Palisades
- Panorama City
- Pasadena
- Porter Ranch
- Redondo Beach
- Santa Clarita (Valencia)
- Santa Monica
- Simi Valley
- Thousand Oaks
- Torrance
- West Los Angeles
- Westlake Village
- Westwood
- Woodland Hills

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Guest Accommodations

UCLA Tiverton House, located in Westwood, is a 100-room hotel designed to meet the needs of our patients and their families, making it possible to be nearby when support and closeness are needed most. Arrangements can also be made with hotels in the Santa Monica area for families of patients hospitalized at our Santa Monica hospital.
Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center

Designed by celebrated architects I.M. Pei and Didi Pei in consultation with 500 physicians, nurses and patients, Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center opened in June 2008, offering patients the latest in medical advances in a welcoming environment that is filled with light and open spaces to enhance a sense of wellness and promote healing. Our high-tech hospital in Westwood offers patients of all ages comprehensive care, from routine to highly specialized medical and surgical treatment. Our Level 1 trauma center (David I. Saperstein Emergency Center) provides the highest levels of emergency care to our most critically ill and injured patients.

Mattel Children’s Hospital UCLA

Located in Westwood, Mattel Children’s Hospital UCLA offers services from routine care to the treatment of the most difficult life-threatening illnesses. Our patient-care area features child-friendly décor, and we offer age-appropriate playrooms, a family resource room, an outdoor play terrace and a multimedia room for teens. The social and emotional needs of hospitalized children and their families are met by specialists from UCLA’s acclaimed Chase Child Life Program and through the children’s Comfort Care Resource Program. The hospital includes a pediatric intensive care unit and a Level III neonatal intensive care unit.

Stewart and Lynda Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital at UCLA

Stewart and Lynda Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital at UCLA in Westwood provides innovative treatment and compassionate care for adult, pediatric and geriatric patients who are struggling with psychiatric illness and developmental disabilities. Recognized as a national leader in psychiatric care, our child- and adolescent-care unit is unique to the West Coast, offering services for young patients with autism, schizophrenia and eating disorders. Our adult inpatient care program specializes in the latest treatments for the full range of mental disorders. Our light-filled patient rooms offer views of surrounding gardens and gathering places.

UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica

UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica offers the expertise of an academic health system on our Santa Monica campus. Our Nethercutt Emergency Center is Santa Monica’s only “Emergency Department Approved for Pediatrics,” is a designated STEMI receiving center for heart attack patients and works with paramedics to begin stroke treatment on the way to the hospital. Additional services include an oncology unit, a birthing center, the internationally known Rape Treatment Center and one of the top-ranked geriatric services in the country.

MEDICAL BREAKTHROUGHS AT UCLA

1964
Dr. Paul Terasaki, UCLA professor of surgery, develops the microcytotoxicity test that has become the international standard for tissue typing.

1980
Dr. Michael Phelps leads the team that invents the first functional PET (positron emission tomography) imaging system for the scanning of patients.

1981
UCLA physicians report the world’s first AIDS cases.
1988
Dr. Dennis Slamon discovers the relationship between the HER-2/neu gene and a form of breast cancer, which leads to the development of Herceptin.

1990
Dr. Yvonne Bryson of UCLA is instrumental in limiting the transmission of AIDS from mother to fetus, which leads to a national standard for preventing fetal infection.

1998
UCLA pharmacologist Louis J. Ignarro receives the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for showing that nitric oxide helps the body regulate key functions.
UCLA School of Medicine is renamed the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA in recognition of a generous gift from David Geffen. The donation is the largest single donation ever made to a medical school in the United States.

An international consortium led by neuroscientists at UCLA introduces the first atlas of the adult human brain in health and disease by compiling a decade of data from anatomical studies, computer modeling and scanning.
UCLA Health’s rich legacy is rooted in our academic endeavors. The David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA is the academic home for our physicians and researchers. Our community benefits from the latest scholarly investigations, potentially life-saving clinical trials and new therapies. And we collaborate with other institutions to expand our knowledge and deliver first-rate medical care to the people of Los Angeles and beyond.

David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA

One of the youngest top-ranked medical schools in the country, the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA is internationally recognized as a leader in research, medical education, patient care and public service. Distinguished faculty members develop students’ abilities in the healing arts and discovery to prepare them for careers in all branches of medicine. The model curriculum includes the use of problem-based learning, high-fidelity simulations, Web-based interactive modules, supervised clinical practice in a wide variety of patient settings and the chance to engage in discussions with world-class scientists and physicians. In addition, the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA offers 18 distinct programs in the biosciences, most jointly administered by the UCLA Division of Life Sciences and the school of medicine.

Scholarship

Students benefit from a variety of scholarship options, including the landmark David Geffen Medical Scholarships, which covers the entire education costs for nearly 20 percent of medical students entering the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA.

Affiliations

The medical school education program extends to affiliations with diverse Southern California institutions, including Harbor-UCLA Medical Center; Olive View-UCLA Medical Center; Veterans’ Administration Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System; VA Greater Los Angeles Health System; University of California, Riverside; Cedars-Sinai Medical Center; and Kaiser Permanente.

The first minimally invasive device for removing blood clots, invented at the UCLA Stroke Center, is approved by the FDA for use in patients.

Broad Stem Cell Center researchers reprogram human skin cells into cells with the same unlimited properties as embryonic stem cells. This work could lead to a limitless source of immune-compatible cells for tissue engineering and transplantation medicine.
A leading biomedical research center, UCLA consistently ranks among the top-10 in the nation in National Institutes of Health research funding. We focus our extraordinary resources on a comprehensive array of research and clinical centers — addressing topics such as stem cell biology, AIDS, gene therapy, neurosciences, women’s health and geriatrics — and translate findings into the latest diagnostic and treatment techniques across the broad spectrum of medicine.

Buildings with innovative laboratory design — including the Gonda (Goldschmied) Neuroscience and Genetics Research Center, the Biomedical Sciences Research Building & Orthopaedic Hospital Research Center, the Neuroscience Research Building and the Ahmanson-Lovelace Brain Mapping Center — facilitate a constant exchange of ideas among scientists.
Comprehensive Research and Clinical Centers

UCLA Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center

One of the nation’s largest comprehensive cancer centers, UCLA’s Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center has an international reputation for developing new cancer therapies, providing the best in traditional and experimental treatments and expertly training the next generation of medical researchers. Patients benefit from team-oriented care provided by researchers and clinicians from different specialties working together to help address the immediate and long-term challenges of cancer. In addition, patients have access to hundreds of clinical trials that provide the latest in experimental cancer treatments.

Stein Eye Institute

Stein Eye Institute is dedicated to preserving vision through patient care, research and education. The Stein Eye Institute’s comprehensive programs for the care of patients with eye disorders, research in the vision sciences, education in the field of ophthalmology and outreach to the community, coupled with its high-tech facilities, have brought national and international recognition to the Institute and UCLA. Stein Eye Institute and Doheny Eye Institute have formed an affiliation to create preeminent centers of ophthalmic patient care, vision research and education.

UCLA AIDS Institute

UCLA AIDS Institute is committed to the eradication of HIV infection worldwide through research and clinical care. By bringing together an extraordinary aggregation of scientists — each specializing in a different aspect of HIV infection — the Institute encourages an active exchange of new ideas.

Eli and Edythe Broad Center of Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Research at UCLA

Eli and Edythe Broad Center of Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Research at UCLA brings together biologists, chemists, engineers, geneticists and other scientists to develop new and more effective treatments for cancer, HIV/AIDS, Parkinson’s disease, metabolic disorders and other medical conditions.

Jane and Terry Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior at UCLA

The Jane and Terry Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior at UCLA has assembled a preeminent roster of almost 400 researchers and faculty across many disciplines, who work collaboratively to study psychiatric and neurological disorders and to develop new and effective treatments that improve lives. Through its close integration with the Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences, the Stewart and Lynda Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital at UCLA and many other departments within UCLA, the Semel Institute is unraveling the mysteries of complex human behavior.

Medical Breakthroughs at UCLA

2008
Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center opens, replacing the old UCLA Medical Center.

2009
UCLA is a national leader in organ transplantation in all areas, including heart, lung, liver, pancreas, kidney, intestine and bone marrow.

2011
UCLA surgeons perform the first hand transplant in the western United States in a surgery that took a 17-member team nearly 15 hours to complete.
Encouraging and maintaining a healthy community is the foundation of our existence. Every day our network of renowned physicians makes world-class healthcare accessible for communities throughout Southern California. Approximately 350, or half of all the students in the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, participate in community service along with hundreds of our faculty. In addition, our hospitals provide more than $50 million in charity and uncompensated medical care each year.

Community Engagement

Serving the Underserved

Venice Family Clinic
The Venice Family Clinic provides more than 75,000 patient visits per year to more than 15,000 children and adults who would otherwise have no access to such care. Approximately 150 UCLA residents and faculty members, in addition to more than 200 medical and undergraduate students, provide thousands of volunteer hours of care.

Care Harbor Health Clinic
Every year since 2009, UCLA physicians, ophthalmologists, dentists, nurses, students and staff provide free screenings and care to underserved Los Angeles residents.

UCLA Mobile Clinic Project
The student-run project aims to improve the health outcomes and quality of life of the homeless and other vulnerable populations in the greater Los Angeles area by connecting clients to the existing continuum of care.

Serving the World

UCLA Center for World Health: Saving lives and improving health by investing in people
A joint initiative of the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA and UCLA Health, the UCLA Center for World Health’s mission is to improve the health of people and communities throughout the world, with its partners, through education, research and service. The center guides the next generation of leaders to use their vision, talent and commitment to transform the practice of world health and make a sustainable difference.

Programs include:

• Global health-education programs
• Transformative scientific solutions for world-health problems
• International clinical initiatives
• Technology solutions for connecting worldwide
• World-health policy for real-world impact

Other programs include:
• Breathmobile
• Care Harbor Health Clinic
• Community Partners in Care
• Dance Marathon
• Focus Project
• Happy Feet Clinic
• Lennox Health Fair
• Magnolia Community Initiative
• UCLA Mobile Clinic Project
• UCLA Mobile Eye Clinic
• Operation Mend
• Pipeline Program
• Project Export
• Project SEARCH
• Sun Valley Community Health Center

Learn about these programs and other recent work in the community at: uclahealth.org/community
David Geffen establishes a $100-million merit-based scholarship fund.

Launch of $4.2 billion UCLA Centennial Campaign, with $2 billion goal for Health Sciences.
Four hospitals in our Westwood and Santa Monica locations

More than 150 neighborhood offices throughout the greater Los Angeles area

More than 50 years of medical research and teaching excellence