

# UCSF Adult Liver Transplant Program

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## Information for Patients

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### Overview

The UCSF Liver Transplant Program was established in 1988 and UCSF is recognized as one of the nation's leading liver transplant centers for adults and children. Major insurance providers nationwide have designated the program as a "Center of Excellence." More than 400 patients are referred annually to UCSF Medical Center and more than 100 patients are transplanted each year.

The multidisciplinary transplant team consists of hepatologists (liver specialists), surgeons, nurses, pharmacists, social workers, physician assistants, a financial counselor and support staff.

### Highlights

- The largest liver transplant center in Northern California
- We perform living donor liver transplants, a procedure which reduces waiting times and improves the chance for transplant success
- Team approach to both pre- and post-transplant care
- State-of-the-art technology
- Multicultural environment with bilingual staff
- Patient- and family-centered approach to care
- Outreach clinics in Fresno, Modesto and Santa Clara

### Volumes

- More than 3,000 liver transplants performed
- More than 250 living donor liver transplants performed
- More than 150 liver transplants performed annually

### Outcomes

- The UCSF Liver Transplant Program exceeds national outcomes as measured by the Scientific Registry of Transplant Recipients (SRTR). For more information about our outcomes, visit the SRTR website at [www.srtr.org](http://www.srtr.org).

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## **Innovation and research**

- One of nine transplant centers participating in a National Institutes of Health-sponsored study of adult-to-adult living donor transplants
- One of the first centers in the country to test the use of new immunosuppressive drugs to prevent organ rejection
- National leader in the use of liver transplantation for the treatment of primary liver cancer
- Established successful transplant protocols for patients with hepatitis B
- Involved in multiple studies in the treatment of hepatitis C
- Established protocols for the treatment and management of HIV-positive patients post-transplant
- Investigating the role of regulatory immune cells (Tregs) in transplantation to develop novel treatment strategies that could eliminate the need for lifelong immunosuppressive treatments and their side effects
- Leader in immunosuppressive withdrawal after pediatric living donor liver transplant

## **Frequently asked questions**

### ***After my appointment, who will be my primary contact at UCSF?***

A transplant coordinator will be assigned to you and will keep you apprised of the results of your appointment. Your coordinator will be in contact with you and your referring doctor throughout the process.

### ***Does my UCSF doctor take over my care?***

No, your doctor at UCSF will work together with your other doctors to formulate a plan of care for you while you wait for your liver transplant. You will need to stay in contact with the doctor who referred you to us as well as with your UCSF doctor.

### ***If I have questions about my care after my appointment, whom should I call?***

After your first appointment, your transplant coordinator will provide you with instructions about whom to call with questions.