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CPMC Physicians Named Among Best in Nation

San Francisco, CA, December 11, 2009 – More than 160 physicians at California Pacific Medical Center have been named on the prestigious list of Best Doctors in America®.

The list, created by Best Doctors, Inc., results from intensive polling of more than 45,000 physicians in the United States. Doctors in more than 400 subspecialties of medicine appear on this year's list. In a confidential review, physicians were asked to answer the question, "If you or a loved one needed a doctor in your specialty, to whom would you refer?"

"It's always gratifying to be named as one of the best doctors in your area of specialty," says Warren Browner, MD, MPH, CEO of CPMC. "But to be named to the list by your peers who really understand what goes into being a great doctor is the ultimate accolade. To have so many CPMC doctors on the list shows why we are considered one of the best hospitals in the U.S. and why we have such an excellent reputation for high quality, compassionate care."

Only 5 percent of the physicians in the U.S. make the Best Doctors list. Because physicians cannot pay to be included on the list, nor are they paid to provide their input, the Best Doctors list has a well-deserved reputation for independence and impartiality. The list is a product of validated peer review, in which only doctors who excel in their specialties are chosen.

The 166 CPMC physicians named on this year's list are:

Michael Abel	Colon and Rectal Surgery
Eileen G. Aicardi	Pediatrics
Kenneth H. Akizuki	Orthopaedic Surgery
Arthur W. Allen	Ophthalmology
Bernard S. Alpert	Plastic Surgery
Devi Ananda	Pediatrics

William S. Andereck, Jr.	Internal Medicine
Angelica Andrade-Silverman	Family Medicine
Brian T. Andrews	Neurological Surgery
James P. Anthony	Plastic Surgery
Gary N. Apter	Internal Medicine
Damian H. Augustyn	Gastroenterology
Susan Bailey	Vascular surgery
Peter Banys	Psychiatry
Ari Baron	Medical Oncology and Hematology
Gary B. Birnbaum	Family Medicine
Neal S. Birnbaum	Rheumatology
Barbara M. Bishop	Family Medicine
Maurizio Bonacini	Hepatology
Andrew I. Brill	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Darrell Brooks	Plastic Surgery
Gregory M. Buncke	Plastic Surgery
Rudolf Buntic	Plastic Surgery
David F. Busch	Infectious disease
Natalie H. Bzowej	Hepatology
Virginia Irene Cafaro	Infectious Disease
Karen Richter Callen	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Richard L. Caplin	Internal Medicine
Devron H. Char	Ophthalmology
Lee-May Chen	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Philip E. Chenette	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Yanek S. Y. Chiu	Colon and Rectal Surgery
Paul Chuljian	Anesthesiology
Daniel R. Conlin	Gastroenterology
Peter Francis Coopersmith	Internal Medicine
Thomas Cromwell	Anesthesiology
Quita V. Cruciger	Dermatology
Richard Cuneo	Neurology
Emmett Thomas Cunningham	Ophthalmology
James A. Davis	Rheumatology
Susan H. Day	Pediatric Ophthalmology
Mary G. De May	Psychiatry
Vincent Demarco	Anesthesiology
Eric H. Denys	Neurology
Edward Diao	Hand Surgery
Jesse H. Dohemann	Internal Medicine
Edward Eisler	Anesthesiology
Thomas L. Engel	Pediatric Specialist - ENT
Martin F. Ernster	Pediatrics
Lisa Everson	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Diana L. Farmer	Pediatric Surgeon
Cynthia A. Farner	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Lawrence H. Feld	Anesthesiology
Craig Fong	Anesthesiology
Yasuko Fukuda	Pediatrics
Erik Gann	Psychiatry
Avraham Giannini	Pediatric Allergist
Robert J. Gilbert	Orthopaedic Surgery
Robert Gish	Hepatology
Carolyn R. Givens	Obstetrics and Gynecology
James D. Goldberg	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Steven D. Goldfien	Anesthesiology
William Gonda	Pediatrics

William V. Good	Pediatric Specialist - Ophthalmology
Erica T. Goode	Internal Medicine
Daniel F. Goodman	Ophthalmology
William H. Goodson III	Surgical Oncology
Shelley M. Gordon	Infectious Disease
Kathleen M. Grant	Medical Oncology and Hematology
John M. Gray	Orthopaedic Surgery
Laurie R. Green	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Joyce Hansen	Internal Medicine
David Heiden	Ophthalmology
Carl M. Herbert III	Obstetrics and Gynecology
William Y. Hoffman	Pediatric Specialist
Holly C. Holter	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Jordan J. Horowitz	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Katherine Hsiao	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Peter Y. M. Hui	Cardiovascular Disease
Sonja Huie	Pediatrics
David H. Irwin	Anesthesiology
Andrew G. Iwach	Ophthalmology
Lester Jacobson	Cardiovascular Disease
Sheila D. Jenkins	Pediatric specialist
Alan C. Johnson	Pediatrics
Robert I. Kahn	Urology
Lee-Chuan Kao	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Michael Katz	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Daniel P. Kelly	Pediatrics
Edward S. Kersh	Cardiovascular Disease
David Woojin Kim	Otolaryngology
Michael A. Kirsch	Psychiatry
Audrey Koh	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Elliot S. Krames	Pain Medicine
Marilyn M. Kutzscher	Internal Medicine
Fung Lam	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Kenneth D. Laxer	Neurology
Carol K. Lee	Pediatrics
Gershon Levinson	Anesthesiology
Stephen Lockhart	Anesthesiology
David William Lowenberg	Orthopaedic Surgery
James Mailhot	Cardiovascular Disease
Denise M. Main	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Elliott K. Main	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Aditi Mandpe	Otolaryngology
Robert Joseph Margolin	Geriatric Medicine
Timothy J. Marten	Plastic Surgery
Douglas J. Martin	Anesthesiology
Seth Matarasso	Dermatology
Ken Maybury	Internal Medicine
H. Richard McDonald	Ophthalmology
Jane Melnick	Gastroenterology
John E. Mendelson	Internal Medicine
Gary F. Milechman	Cardiovascular Disease
Robert Gordon Miller	Neurology
Sophia Mirviss	Family Medicine
Philippa Newfield	Pediatric Specialist
Philip J. O'Keefe	Internal Medicine
Carl E. Otto	Obstetrics and Gynecology

William F. Owen, Jr.	Internal Medicine
William B. Parmer	Internal Medicine
V. Ram Peddi	Nephrology
Mary D. Piel	Pediatrics
Cynthia A. Point	Internal Medicine
Anthony A. Portale	Pediatric Specialist
Catherine Bethan Powell	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Geoffrey Quinn	Internal Medicine
Brunno Ristow	Plastic Surgery
Barry M. Rose	Anesthesiology
Adam Rosenblatt	Internal Medicine
Jennifer G. Ross	Internal Medicine
Jon C. Ross	Pathology
Barry Rostek	Pediatrics
Daniel E. Roth	Family Medicine
Isabelle Ryan	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Kevin Saitowitz	Internal Medicine
Stuart R. Seiff	Ophthalmology
Claire M. Serrato	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Ira D. Sharlip	Urology
Jenta Shen	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Lawrence G. Shore	Family Medicine
Rona Z. Silkiss	Ophthalmology
Mark I. Singer	Otolaryngology
William J. Snape, Jr.	Gastroenterology
William Solomon	Pediatrics
Collin B. Smikle	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Kimberlee A. Sorem	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Joseph Spaulding	Urology
Robert L. Stamper	Ophthalmology
Claire Targoff	Rheumatology
David Tong	Neurology
Bryant A. Toth	Plastic Surgery
Anne Tseng	Pediatric Specialist
Lucia R. Tuffanelli	Dermatology
Robert C. Vazquez	Family Medicine
Michael Verhille	Gastroenterology
Steven G. Vitcov	Anesthesiology
Adil Ed Wakil	Hepatology
Aileen Watanabe	Internal Medicine
Donna Wiggins	Obstetrics and Gynecology
Sydney Williams	Ophthalmology
Lory D. Wiviott	Infectious Disease
Eugene M. Wolf	Orthopaedic Surgery
Carolyn Wright	Pediatrics
Laurence F. Yee	Colon and Rectal Surgery

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is only part of the solution. That's why we look intently at each individual case and treat the whole person, not just the illness. It's why we go beyond medical care and provide our patients with things like disease counseling, family support and wellness treatments. As one of California's largest private, community-based, not-for-profit, teaching medical centers, and a Sutter Health affiliate, we are able to reach deep into our community to provide education, screening and financial support in some of the city's most underserved neighborhoods. Medicine can transform a body. But going beyond medicine can transform a life. www.cpmc.org

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