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Your guide to primary and specialty health-care providers

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- General information about available providers and services
- Assistance with appointments and referrals
- Information about accepted insurance plans

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Outpatient referrals and provider phone consultations
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Or online (non-urgent) requests via referrals.ucdavis.edu
- Information about availability of specialty services
- Coordination and status of referrals to specialty services
- Assistance for provider-to-provider phone consultations with specialists

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