

South Denver Gastroenterology Physician Team

SDG physicians provide state-of-the art, broad-spectrum gastrointestinal care including colorectal cancer screening and prevention.

Fernando Carreira, M.D.



- Esophageal motility
- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Genetic colon cancer

Mary Kovalak, M.D.



- Irritable bowel syndrome
- Anemia and gastrointestinal bleeding
- Esophageal disorders including eosinophilic esophagitis

Alexander Ende, M.D.



- Advanced endoscopic procedures including endoscopic mucosal resection and endoscopic ultrasound
- Barrett's esophagus
- Bile duct and pancreatic diseases

Marcelo Kugelmas, M.D., F.A.A.S.L.D., F.A.C.P.



- Academically trained in the evaluation and management of liver diseases
- SDG Director of Hepatology (liver diseases) and Clinical Research
- Bile duct diseases
- Cholangioscopy and liver biopsy
- Board certified gastroenterologist

Kyrsten Fairbanks, M.D.



- Academically trained in the evaluation and management of liver diseases
- Liver biopsy
- Anemia and gastrointestinal bleeding
- Bile duct disorders

Peter Le, M.D.



- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Personalized management of irritable bowel syndrome
- Liver diseases and cirrhosis

Geoffrey Jensen, M.D., A.G.A.F.



- Liver diseases and cirrhosis
- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Barrett's esophagus
- Balloon enteroscopy

Erika Lee, M.D.



- Esophageal disorders including gastroesophageal reflux, eosinophilic esophagitis and Barrett's esophagus
- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Liver diseases and cirrhosis

Lawrence Kim, M.D.



- Advanced endoscopic procedures including endoscopic mucosal resection and endoscopic ultrasound
- Barrett's esophagus
- Development of national standards for gastroenterology and endoscopy

Theresa Lee, M.D.



- Irritable bowel syndrome
- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Small bowel disorders including capsule endoscopy
- Internal hemorrhoids including hemorrhoid banding

Frederick Lewis, M.D., F.A.C.P., F.A.C.G, A.G.A.F.



- Barrett's esophagus
- Advanced endoscopic procedures including ERCP, cholangioscopy and biliary radiofrequency ablation
- Gastrointestinal problems in patients with brain and spinal cord injuries
- Bile duct and pancreatic diseases

Lisa Mathew, M.D.



- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Clinical nutrition related to gastroenterology
- Small bowel disorders and capsule endoscopy

Matthew Nichols, M.D.



- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Primary investigator for SDG inflammatory bowel disease research studies
- Physician sponsor for regional Crohn's and Colitis Foundation patient support group
- Gastroesophageal reflux disease, Barrett's esophagus and esophageal motility disorders

Cary Patt, M.D.



- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Liver diseases and cirrhosis
- Functional bowel disorders

Erik Pieramici, M.D., J.D.



- Diseases of the esophagus and stomach
- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Small bowel diseases and capsule endoscopy

Bernard Powers, M.D., A.G.A.F., F.A.C.G, F.A.C.P.



- Advanced endoscopic procedures including endoscopic ultrasound and ERCP
- Functional gastrointestinal disorders
- Swallowing disorders

Richard Roman, M.D., M.B.A.



- SDG president and leader in developing innovative GI services for SDG patient communities
- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Liver diseases and cirrhosis

Laura Rosenberg, M.D.



- Esophageal disorders including gastroesophageal reflux disease, Barrett's esophagus and eosinophilic esophagitis
- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Small bowel disorders including celiac disease and capsule endoscopy

David Scheider, M.D.



- Advanced endoscopic procedures including ERCP
- Esophageal disorders including gastroesophageal reflux, eosinophilic esophagitis and Barrett's esophagus
- Esophageal cancer

Lisa Swize, M.D.



- Esophageal disorders including Barrett's esophagus, gastroesophageal reflux disease and eosinophilic esophagitis
- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis)
- Small bowel disorders and capsule endoscopy

Babac Vahabzadeh, M.D.



- Advanced endoscopic procedures including endoscopic mucosal resection and endoscopic ultrasound
- Bile duct and pancreatic diseases
- Barrett's esophagus