

UCD - Martinez CADC

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History and Background

The University of California, Davis CADC at Martinez, established in 1985, is operated by the Department of Neurology of the UC Davis School of Medicine. It is located in space provided by the Veterans Affairs (VA) medical facilities at Martinez. One of the premiere assessment centers in the East Bay, the UC Davis Martinez (UCD-Martinez) CADC provides expert diagnosis for Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, memory testing, treatment recommendations, behavior management advice, needs assessment, care planning, referrals to community resources, and access to research including clinical trials. We seek to improve health care delivery and quality of life for patients affected by Alzheimer's disease, their families, and caregivers. **The UCD-Martinez CADC primarily serves the 213,000 individuals age 65 and older living in Contra Costa, Alameda, Marin, Solano, Napa, Sonoma, and Yolo Counties. Over 42,000 people in these two counties have Alzheimer's disease and tremendously more seniors are at risk for developing the disease in the next few years.** The UCD-Martinez CADC is actively addressing this problem by offering patients and their families access to state-of-the-art diagnostic and treatment services, novel clinical trials, training the next generation of healthcare providers, and through community educational programs.

Clinical Services

Early identification of cognitive decline and AD is critical so that available treatments, which are most effective before extensive damage to the brain has occurred, can be started, and families can plan for the future, take advantage of available community services, and develop effective coping strategies. UCD-Martinez CADC clinicians bring state-of-the-art methods to accurately differentiate between normal aging and even the earliest stages of dementia. The UCD-Martinez CADC is particularly concerned with helping minority and underserved patients receive the care they need.

Economic Development and Professional Training

The UCD-Martinez CADC provides the basic infrastructure to attract new resources into the local economy leveraging the investment of the state by 6-fold or more. These include support from industry for clinical trials, specialized research, student training, and various Federal

and private Foundation grants. The UCD-Martinez CADC strives to bring the expertise gained in our specialty clinic to the broader health care community in a cost-effective fashion.

The CADCs have helped to build a vital workforce for the growing needs of the State addressing the current and changing demographic needs in California. This includes the training of physicians, nurses, psychologists, health care professionals, and research investigators. The UCD-Martinez CADC has trained hundreds of professionals and students through fellowships, residencies, internships, rotations, clerkships, continuing medical education courses, academic classes, lectures, and presentations. Through their training programs the CADCs have shaped the practice of doctors, nurses, social workers and other providers who now staff hospitals and clinics throughout the state making daily life more manageable for thousands of people who struggle with the demands of caregiving and the ravages of the AD.

Community Education

The UCD-Martinez CADC has also educated the public, caregivers and families on cognitive decline, prevention strategies, and the management of those afflicted by memory loss and AD. The UCD-Martinez CADC provides many forums on AD education and also serves to integrate education opportunities in the community. The community looks to and depends on the UCD-Martinez CADC for high quality education.

The limitations in the current health care delivery environment and constrained budgets in both the public and private sectors require solutions that are cost-effective for patients and their families, as well as for businesses. The Centers continue to provide education, provide new opportunities for improving the quality of life of the elderly, and reduce the burden for those with dementia in California.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLINIC

Referrals

Referrals from M.D.s, other providers, and agencies are welcome. No referral is necessary, though. We specialize in the evaluation of memory loss, Alzheimer's disease and related illnesses such as frontotemporal lobe dementia and vascular dementia, and mild cognitive impairment. We have the expertise for complex or unusual cases, and are happy to provide second opinions. We welcome both veterans and non-veterans.

Costs

Costs for diagnostic evaluations and professional services may vary on an individual basis. Please contact us for more information. Often, tests performed outside of our CADC may be necessary to complete a diagnostic workup, such as laboratory tests and/or brain scans.

Our staff

Providers:

- Berneet Kaur, M.D. Behavioral neurologist
- John Olichney, M.D., behavioral neurologist
- Bruce Reed, Ph.D. Neuropsychologist
- Katie Vieira, R.N, N.P.
- Karim Yamout, Ph.D., neuropsychology resident

Front office:

- Chriss Hobbs
- Marion Snyderman

Opportunities to Participate in Research

Our center is part of the UC Davis School of Medicine Alzheimer's Disease Center. We refer patients to clinical trials testing new ways of treating and diagnosing Alzheimer's disease. We also refer patients to studies of aging, and how different factors may protect against or accelerate mental decline in old age. Depending on your eligibility you may be invited to take part in one or more of these studies.

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