

On February 1, 2015, one of the nation's premier medical centers opened the doors of a new world-class facility. UCSF Medical Center has opened three state-of-the-art hospitals at UCSF's Mission Bay campus, where top clinicians have joined expert researchers to develop next-generation therapies and cures.

Beds

The UCSF Bakar Cancer Hospital includes 70 beds.

Inpatients

Serves adult patients with orthopedic, urologic, gynecologic, head and neck, and gastrointestinal and colorectal cancers.

Hospital Hallmarks

UCSF ranks consistently among the top cancer care centers in the nation, according to "America's Best Hospitals" survey from *U.S. News & World Report*. It has achieved the highest level of research funding among California cancer centers from the National Cancer Institute, enabling it to develop next-generation treatments. Outstanding researchers include Nobel prizewinners, J. Michael Bishop, MD, and Harold Varmus, MD, who discovered proto oncogenes, genes that may become cancerous; and Elizabeth Blackburn, PhD, for her work on telomeres, parts of chromosomes that play a key role in cancer. Among its more recent accomplishments is the 2014 Lasker Award, known as the "American Nobel," which was given to Peter Walter, PhD, for his research into the "protein folding process" within cells that has important implications for understanding cancer.

Exceptional Features:

- MRI imaging scan suites enabling patients to control light, sound and visuals to experience a lush redwood forest or a glorious sunset over the Golden Gate Bridge.
- Art for Recovery program for cancer patients to use creative expression to articulate their hopes and dreams.
- UCSF Medical Center at Mission Bay is green on the inside and designed with interior materials that have been screened for known toxicities, a top priority for a hospital serving cancer patients.
- Clean to the extreme. Smooth surfaces, minimal ledges and equipment mounted on the ceiling where it cannot be touched facilitate hygiene maintenance, a significant benefit for cancer patients who may be immunocompromised.
- A media platform that enables patients and their guests to order room service, choose from an expansive selection of movies, update social media, Skype and consult with an off-campus physician if a second opinion is needed.