



Changes to Stanford Lab Network

Mission Oaks STAT Lab closed

777 Knowles #4 has replaced
800 Pollard
(Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm,
Sat 7:30 am-1 pm)
For Adult patients

Updated listing posted on
Access Express.
Call Stanford with questions
1-877-717-3733

NEW SCCIPA MD

Margaret Chu MD OBSTETRICS & GYNECOLOGY

15195 National Avenue #207,
Los Gatos (408) 358-1881

Dr. Margaret Chu has recently joined the Los Gatos practice of Dr. Nilima Parekhji. She is a board-eligible obstetrician and gynecologist who is bi-lingual in Chinese and English.

Dr. Chu graduated from Texas A&M College of Medicine and completed her residency at The University of Kansas-Wichita. She is trained in normal and high risk pregnancies as well as female gynecologic and urologic surgeries including laparoscopic and hysteroscopic surgeries.



Valley Health Plan HMO Contract for Primary Care Physicians Effective November 1, 2005

SCCIPA has just agreed to a new HMO contract with Valley Health Plan (VHP) which is effective November 1, 2005. Your SCCIPA contract will be amended to add VHP and you will be automatically enrolled in the new plan.

Valley Health Plan (VHP) is the 10,000-member HMO plan for employees and retirees of Santa Clara County and Valley Transportation Authority as well as three other local agencies. County employees can choose between VHP and Kaiser.

By adding SCCIPA primary care physicians, VHP expands the primary care choices of their health plan members who were previously restricted to Santa Clara Valley health centers.

This contract is an excellent growth opportunity for SCCIPA PCP practices because VHP includes so many local residents who have not had prior access to community physicians.

- VHP is a Non-Capitated Fee-for-Service contract to be paid at 120% of current year RBRVS and AWP for injectables.
- Like other HMOs, members will be assigned to SCCIPA primary care physicians.
- Authorizations will be managed through the PPMSI Access Express online system. However, the Specialty panel and services will be provided by Santa Clara Valley Medical Center (SCVMC) providers rather than SCCIPA specialists. When your office refers a VHP patient for Specialty, Outpatient or Inpatient care, the Access Express system will offer the appropriate SCVMC choices.
- Negotiations with Stanford and VRI are currently under way for lab and radiology services. Details will be provided when these contracts are finalized.
- Fee-for-Service claims will be paid by VHP. Please send all claims to:

VHP Commercial, P.O. Box 26160, San Jose, CA 95159

- VHP members will be identified by an ID card with the Valley Health Plan logo printed above.

They will first have the opportunity to choose a SCCIPA primary care physician on November 1. However, it is not likely that most patients will exercise the option to change doctors prior to January 1, 2006.

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