# Keck Medicine of USC

**BEYOND EXCEPTIONAL MEDICINE**<sup>™</sup>



### USC PREMIER CARE Primary Care

Have you chosen a primary care physician? Do you know why you need a primary care physician? USC Premier Care can help you understand primary care and find a provider that is right for you and your family.

The expert primary care physicians at Keck Medicine of USC embrace a patient-centered approach to ensure you receive comprehensive health services designed to meet your individual needs. At Keck Medicine, our primary care physicians are your ultimate health care resource.

#### 5 Key Components of Primary Care

- 1) Provide preventive care and guidance on achieving a healthy life
- 2) Diagnose and treat medical conditions
- 3) Determine severity of your problem
- 4) Manage chronic health issues with you
- 5) Assemble a team of specialists tailored to your needs when necessary

The primary care providers at Keck Medicine are committed to quality care, the safety of their patients, and are available to answer your questions. It is important that you select a primary care physician and begin partnering with your physician to develop a plan to keep you healthy. Your USC Premier Care team can help you understand your options for selecting a primary care physician. This service is free of charge to USC Trojan Care EPO and USC PPO members and their families.

Please call us for assistance Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at (833) SC NURSE or (833-726-8773). If you call after business hours, please leave a message and we will call you the next business day. You can also email us at USCPremierCare@med.usc.edu.

## Call us! We can help you select a physician

#### **Family Medicine**

Family medicine physicians specialize in caring for all members of the family, from newborns to the elderly, using a comprehensive and holistic approach.

#### **Internal Medicine**

Internal medicine physicians specialize in dealing with the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of adult disease and chronic conditions.

Other Primary Care

#### Nurse Practitioner

A nurse practitioner, or NP, is an advanced practice registered nurse who works under the supervision of a physician. NPs have higher education and training in a particular area, such as diabetes or primary care.

#### Physician Assistant

Physician assistants, PAs, practice medicine under the direction and supervision of a licensed physician.

#### <u>Nurse</u>

A licensed health care professional who practices under the supervision of a physician and is skilled in promoting and maintaining health.