

## BREAST HEALTH Team



**South Coast Medical Center's team of experts are here to help you!**

Above, left to right: Gabor Kovacs, MD; Jan Simpson, RN, BSN; Oona O'Hara, R.T. (M); Gary Glass, R.T. (T); Lori Dawson R.T. (M); Chu Pei Feng, M.D., Ph.D.; Gail De Shane, R.T. (T.R.); Janine Balsis R.T. (M); Christopher Vanley, M.D.; Margaret M. Yago, M.D.; Eric Miyamoto, M.D.; Steven Chang, M.D.; Arian Mowlavi, M.D.; Edward Wagner, M.D.; Melissa Fausto, R.T. (M); Dr. Carabulea; Timothy Gustafson.

## BREAST CANCER Support Services

At South Coast Medical Center, breast cancer patients are never alone. Our Breast Cancer Coordinator is with the patients from the hour of diagnosis all the way through surgery and treatment.

At SCMC, we understand that our patients need this type of personalized care. For more information, contact Jan Brown at (949) 499-7592.



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## ROUTINE Breast Health Screenings

To schedule your routine breast screening, contact SCMC's Radiology Scheduling at (949) 499-7545.

### SCMC's Breast Imaging Center

South Coast Medical Center  
31872 Coast Highway  
Laguna Beach, CA 92651

### The Breast Center for Early Detection

25500 Rancho Niguel Road  
Suite 120  
Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

For more information, call

**(949) 499-7510**

or visit us at

[www.southcoastmedcenter.com](http://www.southcoastmedcenter.com)

State-of-the-art

## DIGITAL Mammography



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## BREAST Health

Breast health is an important factor in the overall wellness of women. Annual mammogram screenings play a significant role in breast health. Experts recommend that women over the age of 40 receive annual mammograms from a trusted healthcare practitioner.

South Coast Medical Center has a comprehensive Breast Health team that facilitates breast screenings for patients, using Full Field Digital Mammography. According to the American Cancer Society, the breast cancer mortality rate in the United States has significantly decreased in numbers because of greater awareness and mammography screenings. Even so, breast cancer is still the most common type of cancer in the United States, next to skin cancer. According to the National Cancer Institute, each year more than 200,000 women will receive this diagnosis. Early detection is key in the fight against cancer. SCMC's first-rate Breast Health team is here to help.

## SCMC'S Digital Mammography

South Coast Medical Center has top-of-the-line digital technology that has greatly advanced the field. Digital mammography is similar to standard mammography in that x-rays are used to produce detailed images of the breast. The difference is that digital mammography records x-ray images in a computer rather than on x-ray film, as with standard mammography.

Advantages to Digital Imaging Technology include:

- Computer Aided Detection (CAD), which helps radiologists detect breast cancer
- Enhanced images with Intelligent Processing
- Faster acquisition
- Improved sharpness and visibility of breast tissue
- More comfort

## BREAST HEALTH Experts



*Meet our Breast Health experts, left, top to bottom:*

### **Michael Coccia, MD, Vascular Surgeon**

With over 20 years of experience, Dr. Coccia is a Board-certified surgeon and is a Diplomat of the American Board of Surgery.

### **Arian Mowlavi, MD, Plastic Surgeon**

With over 6 years of experience, Dr. Mowlavi is Board-certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

### **Daniel C. Mills, MD, F.A.C.S, Plastic Surgeon**

With over 25 years of experience, Dr. Mills is a Board-certified plastic surgeon and is a Diplomat of the National Board of Medical Examiners.

### **Karen Reuss, MD, Radiologist**

With over 15 years of experience, Dr. Reuss is a Board-Certified radiologist specializing in both women's imaging and interventional radiology.

### **Lisa D. Curcio, MD, Oncologist**

With over 20 years of experience, Dr. Curcio is Board-certified with the American Board of Surgery and is South Orange County's only female surgical oncologist.

### **Margaret M. Yago, MD, Radiologist**

With over 10 years of experience in women's imaging, Dr. Yago has a Fellowship in Interventional Radiology.

### **Janine Balsis, R.T. (M), Mammographer**

15 years experience

### **Lori Dawson, R.T. (M), Mammographer**

25 years experience

### **Oona O'Hara, R.T. (M), Mammographer**

35 years experience

### **Melissa Fausto, R.T. (M), Mammographer**

18 years experience