

# People are talking . . . about South Coast Medical Center.



*Helen Schulz,  
Laguna Niguel  
resident*

## “South Coast Medical Center Saved My Life.”

“In January 2005 my gynecologist felt a lump in my breast. A subsequent needle biopsy revealed that I had two malignant tumors. I was referred to Dr. Michael Coccia, one of SCMC’s finest surgeons. Dr. Coccia recommended that I have a full mastectomy and arranged for me to have reconstruction surgery at the same time, to be performed by Dr. Daniel Mills. Prior to surgery, I met with the physician who would become my oncologist, Dr. Gabor Kovacs. Dr. Kovacs, one of the best oncologists I’ve ever known, explained chemotherapy to me and answered all of my questions.

Following the mastectomy, I had wonderful post-surgery care from the nurses. Two weeks after surgery I started my chemotherapy treatments. I know this will sound strange, but I had some very uplifting times during these treatments. The staff was upbeat and reassuring and I had terrific conversations with the other cancer patients, sometimes helping them to combat their fears. It has now been more than three years and I continue to be in good health. South Coast Medical Center saved my life and made me feel special.”

*Helen knows why SCMC is her hospital of choice:*

- **Skilled physicians**
- **Caring hospital staff**
- **Personalized attention**

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People are talking about SCMC . . . and the news just keeps getting better.