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Choosing a physician these days is challenging. We've streamlined the process by vetting the best ones in the Bay Area.

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The past two years have revealed, once again, just how critical those who practice medicine are to the world's overall well-being. And it's not simply the effects of a pandemic, of course. The need for outstanding medical care—from orthopedics to oncology to mental wellness—impacts every facet of our lives throughout the Bay Area.

The tricky part of the medical equation? Choosing a physician who not only is a leader in his or her field, but also offers outstanding care in state-of-the-art facilities. Vetting is everything—as is understanding the unique needs of residents regionally and nationally, from children to seniors. So, how was this list created?

It's important to understand that doctors do not and cannot pay to be selected and profiled on this list, which is compiled by Castle Connolly Medical Ltd., a respected healthcare and research and information company. The organization was launched in 1992 by a former medical college board chairman and president, whose goal is to help guide consumers to America's top doctors, practices and hospitals.

Here's how it works: Castle Connolly's established nomination survey, research, screening and selection process—all under the direction of an MD—involves hundreds of thousands of physicians, as well as academic centers, specialty hospitals and regional and community hospitals across the nation. From there, a physician-led team of researchers follows a rigorous screening process to select top doctors regionally and nationally.

The nomination process is open to all licensed physicians nationally at castleconnolly.com/nominations. These physicians are able to nominate their peers in any medical specialty across the country, and they can indicate whether the nominated physician is, in their opinion, among the best in their field nationally. Castle Connolly's team carefully screens a nominee's educational and professional experience before final selections are made among doctors most highly regarded by their peers.

The result is this comprehensive list—a guide to finding outstanding medical care that best fits your needs in 2022 and beyond.