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PHYSICIANS TELL US WHICH COLLEAGUES THEY WOULD CHOOSE

Have you ever wondered—who is the “doctor’s doctor?” Wouldn’t it be nice to know which physicians are trusted and sought out by colleagues for medical care? Although being a savvy health care consumer and researcher is a smart idea, the pursuit of such information can prove to be a daunting task, so MSP Communications, a leading researcher and publisher of *Super Doctors*[®], did the work for you.

MSP Communications asked doctors to nominate one or more colleagues (excluding themselves) they would choose in seeking medical care. The *Super Doctors* research team investigated further and searched for exceptional doctors to complement the results. Candidates were evaluated on the indicators of peer recognition, professional achievement and disciplinary history.

Doctors were grouped into 41 specialties. Professionals with the highest scores from each group were invited to serve on a blue ribbon panel and asked to evaluate the candidates in their specialty. Finally, doctors who acquired the highest total points from the surveys, research and blue ribbon panel review were selected for inclusion in *Southern California Rising Stars 2014*.

Of course, no list is perfect. Many qualified doctors who are providing excellent care to their patients are not included on this year’s *Rising Stars* list. However, if you’re looking for exceptional physicians who have earned the confidence and high regard of their peers, you can start your search here.

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