

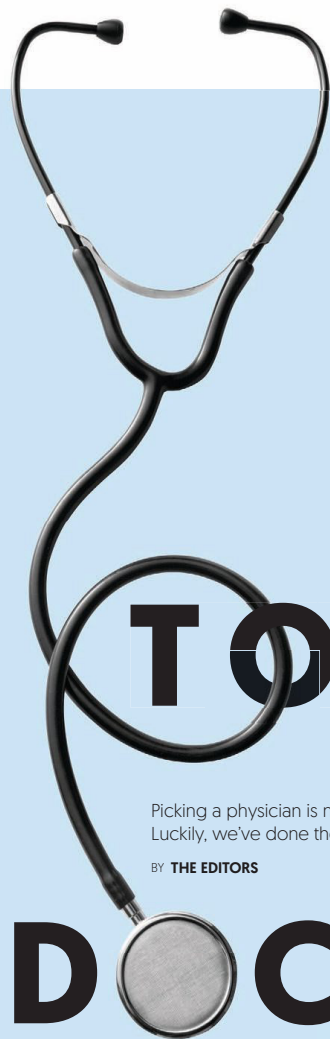
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Picking a physician is no easy task. Luckily, we've done the homework.

BY THE EDITORS

Shopping for a doctor can be just as overwhelming as shopping for a home or a car—but, of course, the stakes are much higher. Think about some of the most intimate aspects of your life—weight, mental health, aging—and you will realize that doctors are the rare few with whom we share this information. This requires enormous trust that is earned through credibility and chemistry. To help you with this daunting and critical task, we've put together this list of the Bay Area's top doctors representing diverse fields. But first, how was this list put together?

First, doctors do not and cannot pay to be selected and profiled on this list. The list is compiled by Castle Connolly Medical Ltd., a health care research and information company founded in 1992 by a former medical college board chairman and president to help guide consumers to America's top doctors and top hospitals. Castle Connolly's established nomination

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