

# SUSAN MELVIN, DO, FAAFP

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A passionate family physician, Susan Melvin, DO, has been the residency director of the Memorial Family Medicine Medical Group, affiliated with Long Beach Memorial and Miller Children's Hospital, for the past decade. She has been an active member of the prestigious MemorialCare Physician Society Board of Directors since 2002.

A graduate of Western University of Health Sciences, Dr. Melvin completed her family medicine residency at Riverside General Hospital (Riverside, CA) and her Geriatric Fellowship at East

Carolina School of Medicine (Greenville, NC). Dr. Melvin holds board certification in Family Medicine and Geriatrics. She also completed the University of Southern California Management Development program, which enhanced her business management skills as she runs a large, successful medical group practice.

Under Dr. Melvin's leadership, the Long Beach Memorial Family Medicine residency program has earned a reputation for training excellent, compassionate physicians dedicated to serving their communities in all aspects of family medicine including pediatrics, obstetrics, geriatrics and more. A dedicated physician and educator, Dr. Melvin runs this program with a lot of heart, encouraging its residents to actively seek opportunities to serve the needs of and connect with its diverse local community.

Dr. Melvin received the 2008 California Academy of Family Physicians' Barbara Harris Award for excellence in education, and has been recognized with other prestigious awards for excellence in education and research throughout her career. In 2006, she was appointed by Governor Schwarzenegger to California's Osteopathic Medical Board. She currently serves as secretary-treasurer of that board.

She is currently chair of the Board of Directors of the MemorialCare Physician Society, a group of over 1,500 physicians who work with MemorialCare to improve clinical outcomes and patient safety through the use of medicine's best practices.

She is also an active member of the American Academy of Family Physicians, California Academy of Family Physicians, Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of California, American Geriatrics Society, Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, Association of Family Medicine Residency Directors, and Coastal Research Group. Dr. Melvin has traveled around the country sharing her expertise, publications and career-long passion and interest in various critical family medicine trends and topics, including women's health issues, domestic violence and abuse, and the special health needs and concerns of elderly patients.