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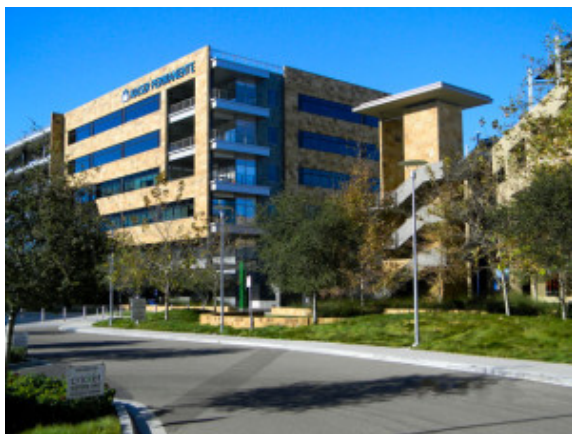
30 Get Free Treatment on 'Super Saturday Surgery Day' at Kaiser

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Nearly 30 San Diegans with debilitating medical conditions are scheduled to receive free treatment Saturday at a "Super Saturday Surgery Day" conducted by the San Diego County Medical Society Foundation and Kaiser Permanente.

About 150 physicians and staff will volunteer time and expertise to provide medical care to the patients.



Kaiser Permanente Garfield Specialty Center in San Diego. Photo courtesy Kaiser

For 13 of them, treatments will include hernia repairs, gallbladder removals, head and neck therapy, and vascular surgery. Another 16 patients will receive diagnostic gastrointestinal procedures to prevent colorectal cancer.

Barbara Mandel, Executive Director of the San Diego County Medical Society Foundation, said that since the Project Access San Diego program started in

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December of 2008, more than 2,400 patients have received free specialty care, including both inpatient and outpatient surgeries and procedures.

Kaiser says it has held a dozen Super Saturdays, providing more than \$2.4 million in services.

To qualify for Project Access San Diego's Saturday Surgery Day an individual must live in San Diego County, be low-income, ineligible for public health programs, and be referred by their primary care physician.

— *City News Service*

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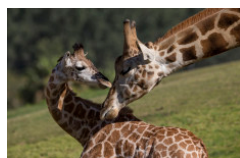
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