Mark & Mary Stevens
School of Medicine

Sutter Health | Santa Clara University

Additional quotes about the launch of the Mark & Mary Stevens School of Medicine

Patrick Ahrens, State Assemblymember representing District 26 and the Silicon Valley:

"This announcement by Sutter Heath to launch a new medical school in collaboration with Santa Clara University reflects the kind of partnership and long-term commitment that truly makes a difference in our communities. By creating more opportunities for students to pursue careers in medicine right here at home, this effort helps strengthen our local workforce and meet the growing needs of patients across Silicon Valley. It's an exciting step forward for health care access and for the future of healthcare in our region."

Senate President pro Tempore Monique Limón:

"The future of California depends on bold partnerships like the one between Sutter Health and Santa Clara University that expand access to care while preparing the next generation of physicians. The launch of the Mark & Mary Stevens School of Medicine is an exciting milestone for the Bay Area and our state. It brings together education and patient care in a way that strengthens our healthcare workforce and helps ensure communities have access to high-quality care for years to come."

Jimmy Panetta, United States Representative (CA-19):

"Expanding access to care starts with training and retaining physicians in the communities that need them most. Sutter Health and Santa Clara University's partnership to launch the Mark & Mary Stevens School of Medicine is an important step forward to support and develop a strong local pipeline of doctors who are more likely to live, work, and serve in California communities. As a proud alumnus of Santa Clara University, I'm glad to see this important investment that will address the shortage of doctors in the region, create opportunities for local students, and attract talent from across the country so that families throughout our community can access efficient, high-quality care."

Lisa Gillmor, Mayor of Santa Clara

"By uniting Sutter Health's integrated clinical network with Santa Clara University's academic excellence, this partnership is creating a model that connects discovery, research, learning and real-world care in powerful new ways. It's the kind of bold, cross-sector innovation that strengthens our healthcare workforce, improves outcomes, and reinforces the Bay Area's position as a global hub for healthcare and technology innovation."

Libby Schaaf, President and CEO of the Bay Area Council:

"This partnership between Sutter Health and Santa Clara University to create a new medical school is a bold and forward-looking investment in the health and vitality of our region. At a time when California and the nation face growing shortages of healthcare professionals, this collaboration will help build a stronger, more diverse pipeline of talent while advancing innovation in care delivery. The Bay Area Council applauds this visionary step, which reinforces the Bay Area's leadership at the intersection of healthcare, education, and innovation and will deliver lasting benefits for our communities."

Russell Hancock, President and CEO Joint Venture Silicon Valley:

"Silicon Valley's competitive edge comes from aligning talent, innovation, and industry—and a new School of Medicine strengthens that advantage by building a pipeline of clinical talent and accelerating the convergence of healthcare and technology. It reinforces the region's role as a leader not only in innovation, but in scaling breakthroughs in care and improving both health outcomes and long-term economic vitality."