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Philosophy of Care

I chose my specialty because I had an interest in microbiology. Most of the new and challenging syndromes are connected with infectious diseases. Humor and compassion are the methods I use in my practice. I try to personalize patient care to the needs of each patient. In my view, appropriate immunizations and the patient's educational knowledge about his or her condition are most important for good health. In addition, at UC Davis, we have a vital facility that generates new knowledge and the specialists necessary to handle the most complex cases.

Clinical Interests

Stuart H. Cohen specializes in clinical infectious diseases and infection control in the hospital environment. He is interested in AIDS, HIV infection and treatment of immunocompromised patients and serves as primary infectious diseases consultant to transplant programs. Cohen uses molecular biology to investigate epidemiology of resistant microorganisms. His laboratory-based studies look at susceptibility testing of HIV clinical isolates to multiple antiretroviral agents. Additional research focuses on new antimicrobial agents and chemokine and cytokine level changes.

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