

PAT HYBARGER, MD

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2004 Sidney R. Garfield, MD EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTION AWARD

In 1984, Pat Hybarger, MD, decided that skin cancer patients who underwent surgery at a non-KP facility shouldn't have to endure pain and disfigurement while they waited to undergo reconstructive surgery.

With the assistance of two dermatologists, Dr. Hybarger developed San Rafael's Mohs Micrographic Surgery & Reconstruction Program, which provides tumor removal and reconstruction in a single operative session.

In the next 25 years, he built a dedicated team of dermatologists and head and neck surgeons, an oculoplastic surgeon, and two plastic surgeons. A board certified pathologist even reads the slides on the spot. "We handle anything and everything," Dr. Hybarger notes.

And they handle it well. A recent study awarded the program the lowest tumor recurrence rates ever reported in the literature.

