

GLORIA DE OLARTE, M.D.

SPECIALTY: Cosmetic surgery, tummy tucks, liposuction, breast augmentation, face/eye lifts. **EDUCATION:** University of Antioquia. **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:** American Board of Plastic Surgery, American Society of Plastic Surgeons, American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, California Society of Plastic Surgeons, Los Angeles Society of Plastic Surgeons, Los Angeles County Medical Association, California Medical Association, American Medical Association, Pasadena Medical Association, American Association of Hand Surgery, Lipolysis Society of North America. **HOSPITAL AFFILIATIONS:** Huntington Memorial Hospital, Methodist Hospital, San Gabriel Hospital, Verduga Hospital. **GREATEST PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT:** "Being able to be a good mother for my children and being able to balance a career with a family." **GREATEST PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT:** "I have been chief of plastic surgery at all the local hospitals." **INNOVATIONS:** "I do more extensive tummy tucks that include the waist and hips." **BEDSIDE MANNER:** "I don't have a volume-oriented practice, so I take the time to explain to each patient about the procedure and listen to needs and expectations." **INTERESTS:** "Being a mother to my two children," theater, concerts, restaurants, dancing, traveling, swimming, skiing, water skiing, exercising and reading. **CHARITABLE WORK:** Has done plastic surgery on children with cleft lip/palate and other deformities in Mexico; took wheel chairs for handicapped children and many hospital supplies/surgical equipment for the county hospital in Medellin, Columbia; during Christmas her family and she take 80 toys for boys and girls and groceries to 40 families; does community volunteer work.

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"Research your plastic surgeon based on training, board certification, experience and the time they take to explain to you all the risks, alternatives and complications of any procedure you choose to do. It is better to have one surgery done well than several for a cheaper price."