

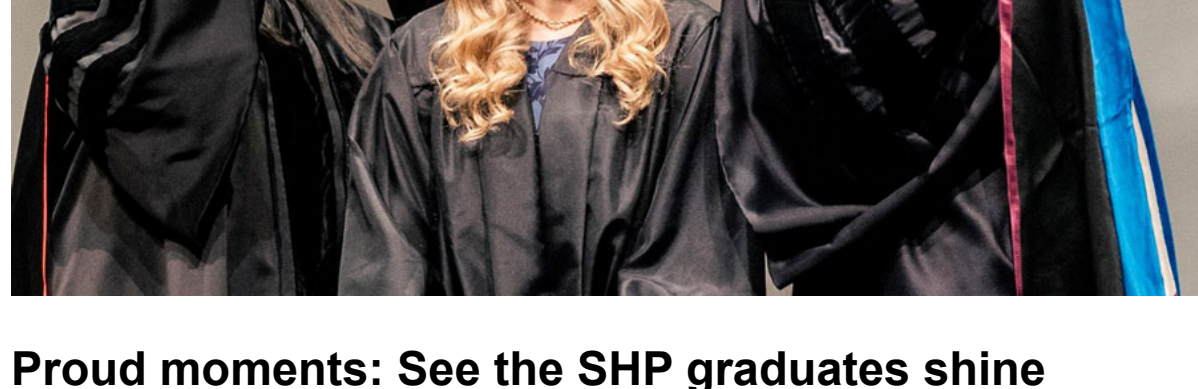


Rewind and relive UTSW's biggest news of 2025

What a year it was! From being selected to lead Texas' new Behavioral Health Center to breaking ground on a cutting-edge radiation oncology campus in Fort Worth, 2025 was a year of major milestones and headline-making developments at UT Southwestern. We celebrated a record-setting gift to support the New Pediatric Campus with Children's Health, launched the Maternal Health Accelerator with TCU, and applauded a Lasker Award recipient among several national recognitions for our research faculty. Add in Match Day excitement, NICU babies and much more, and you'll see why UTSW was in the news throughout the year for achievements across all three mission areas.

Look back at some of the highlights in our fast-paced sizzle reel – **UTSW 2025 Rewind** – and relive the moments that made this year extraordinary.

[Hit "Play" on the highlights](#)



Proud moments: See the SHP graduates shine

On Dec. 13, [more than 120 graduates](#) of the School of Health Professions crossed the stage at the Tom and Lula Gooch Auditorium, surrounded by cheering families, proud faculty, and supportive peers. Representing multiple disciplines, each graduate completed rigorous training rooted in compassion, service, and scientific excellence.

Dean **Jon Williamson, Ph.D.**, led the ceremony, with an inspiring commencement address from **Jonathan Efron, M.D.**, Executive Vice President for Health System Affairs. **Carolyn Bradley-Guidry, Dr.P.H., M.P.A.S., PA-C**, guided the program recognitions, and UT Southwestern President **Daniel K. Podolsky, M.D.**, conferred degrees.

Congratulations to all the graduates, and good luck in your future endeavors!

[See the big day captured in photos](#)

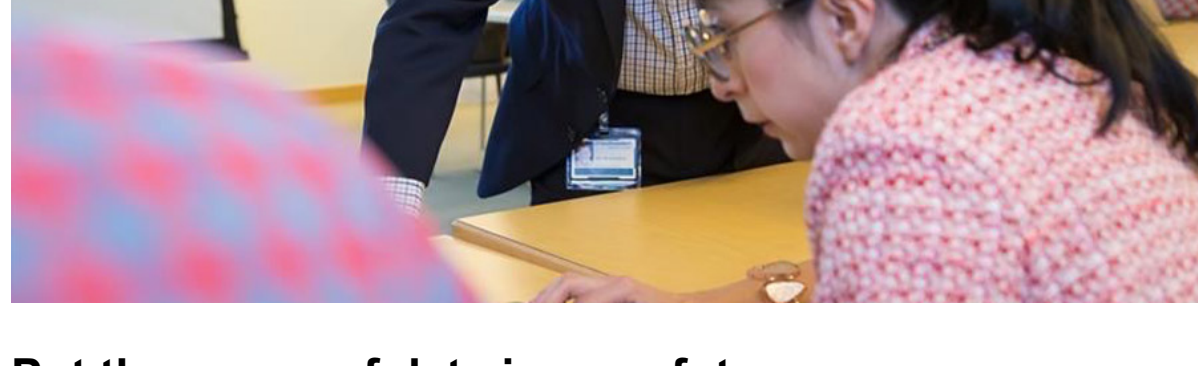


Apply for SWAT Small Grants

The UT Southwestern Academy of Teachers (SWAT) Small Grants Program is accepting proposals for education-research projects related to UTSW schools' education priorities in 2026. Faculty members or trainees working in collaboration with a UTSW faculty member can apply for a SWAT grant and receive up to \$3,500 per project if selected.

The submission deadline is **May 1**.

[Learn more and apply](#)



Put the power of data in your future

Good news! The Master of Science in Health Informatics (M.S.H.I.) program in the O'Donnell School of Public Health is still accepting applications through **Feb. 15** for the fall 2026 cohort.

The evening class structure allows you to advance your career without interrupting it, offering options to pursue a master's degree in full-time or part-time formats.

Whether you're already working with health data or interested in exploring this innovative field, you can [visit the website](#) or reach out to the [M.S.H.I. team](#) to learn more or [apply today](#).

Join the virtual info session on Tuesday, Jan. 27, from noon to 1p.m. to explore the program and the field of health informatics.

[Register for the session](#)

HONORS & AWARDS HIGHLIGHTS

Spotlight on excellence

From exceptional honors to standout achievements, our UT Southwestern community continues to innovate and excel. We're delighted to celebrate the incredible accomplishments of colleagues making waves in education, science, and medicine. Here are two recent highlights:

[Bezerra receives NASPGHAN Harry Shwachman Award](#)

Jorge Bezerra, M.D., Chair of Pediatrics, earned one of NASPGHAN's highest honors for his groundbreaking work improving outcomes for children with digestive and liver disorders.

[Adult, pediatric cystic fibrosis programs recognized with quality improvement awards](#)

The adult and pediatric cystic fibrosis programs at UT Southwestern and Children's Medical Center Dallas received national recognition for innovative strategies and exceptional care for patients with this rare condition.

[More Honors & Awards stories on Center Times Plus](#)

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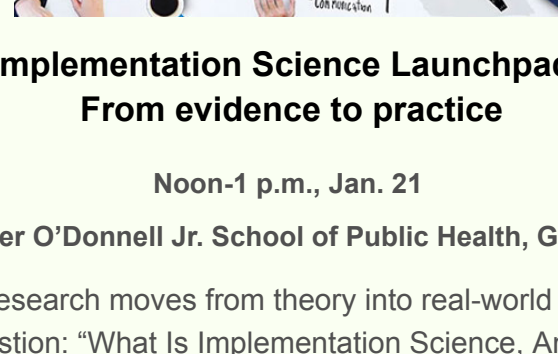
Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Celebration

Noon-1:30 p.m., Jan. 21

South Campus, D1.600

Honor Dr. King's legacy at this year's annual event featuring keynote speaker **Clyde W. Yancy, M.D., M.Sc.**, Vice Dean for Health Equity, Magerstadt Professor and Chief of Cardiology, and Professor of Medicine and Medical Social Sciences at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. The program will include remarks from UTSW President **Daniel K. Podolsky, M.D.**, and recognition of recipients of the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarships for Community Service.

[Join the celebration](#)



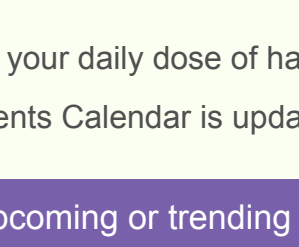
Implementation Science Launchpad: From evidence to practice

Noon-1 p.m., Jan. 21

Peter O'Donnell Jr. School of Public Health, G9.102

Curious about how research moves from theory into real-world practice? This session starts with a big question: "What Is Implementation Science, Anyway?" Discover how implementation science can help you turn evidence-based ideas into action in health care, public health, and policy settings.

[Learn more](#)



UTSW Events Calendar

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