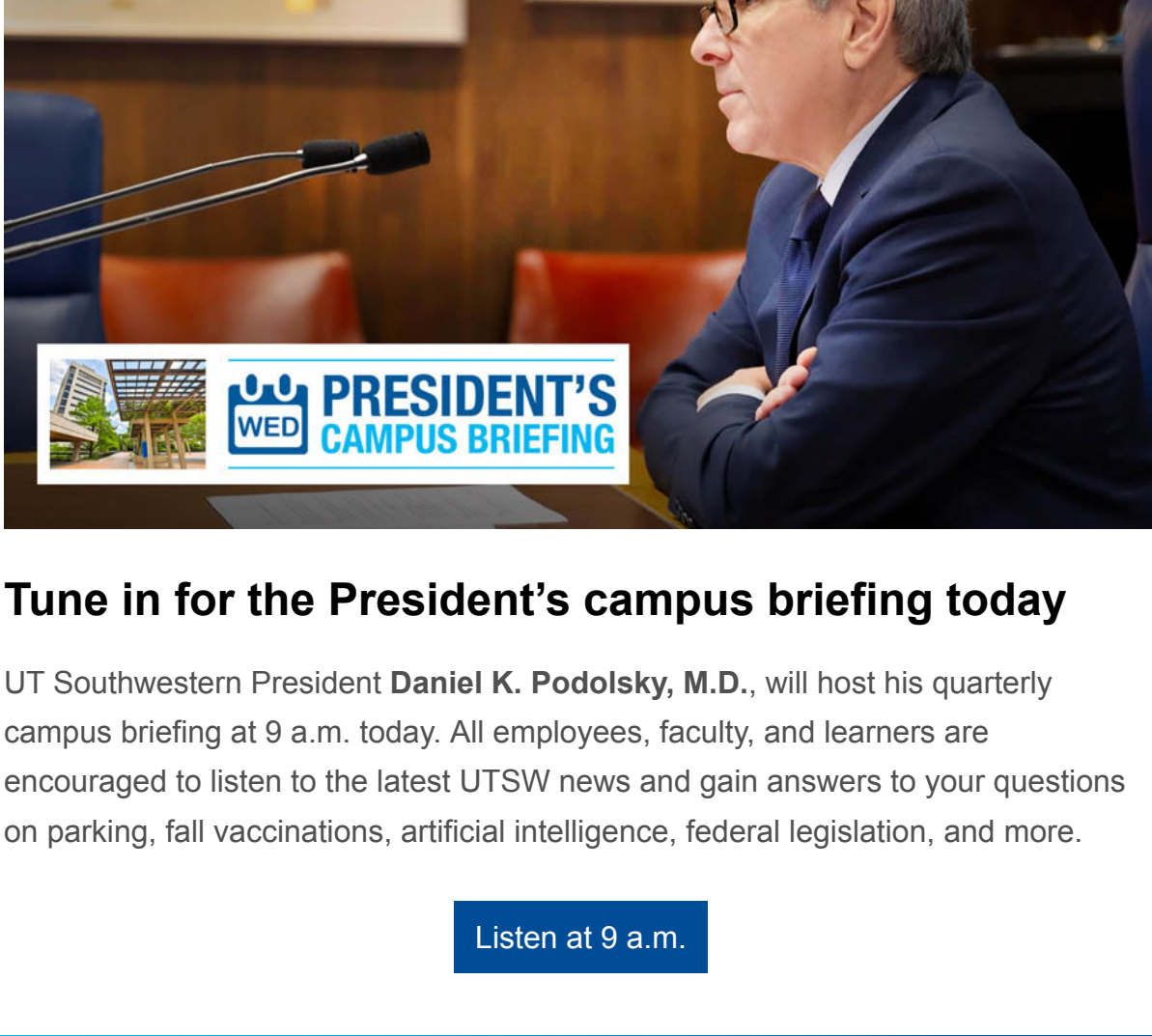
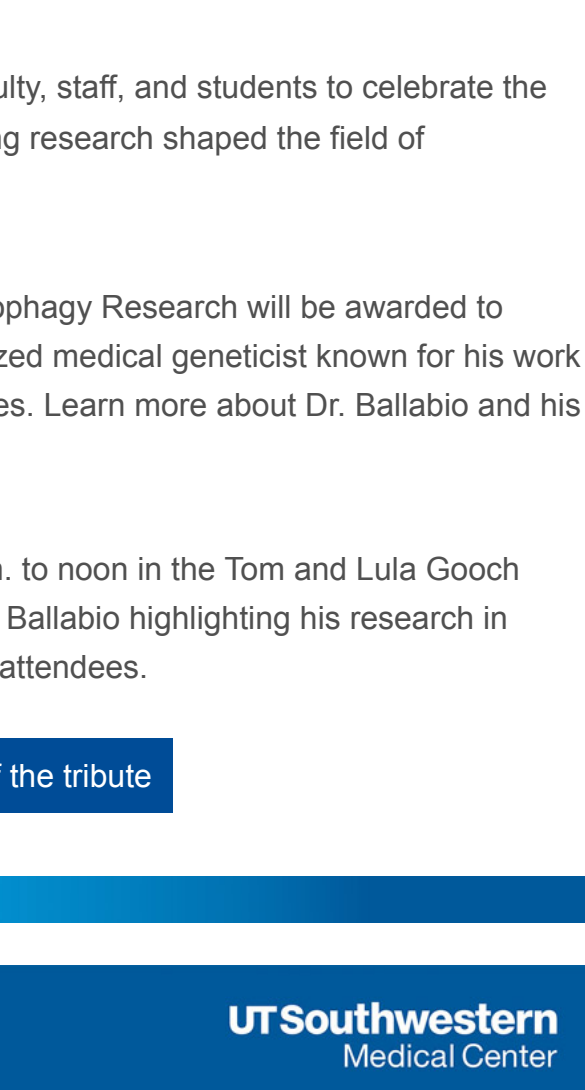
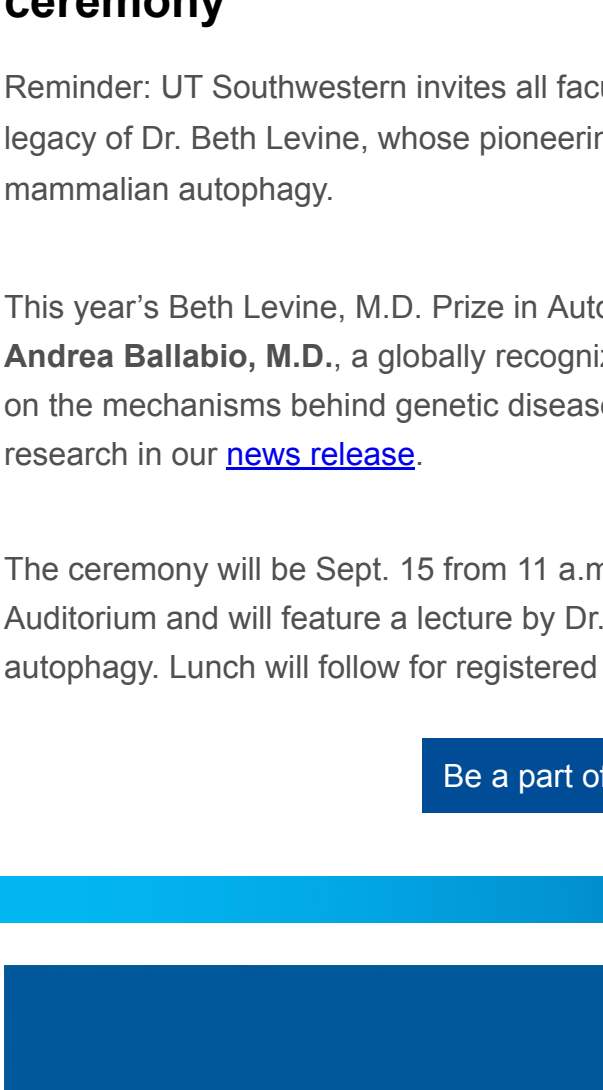




Tune in for the President's campus briefing today

UT Southwestern President **Daniel K. Podolsky, M.D.**, will host his quarterly campus briefing at 9 a.m. today. All employees, faculty, and learners are encouraged to listen to the latest UTSW news and gain answers to your questions on parking, fall vaccinations, artificial intelligence, federal legislation, and more.

[Listen at 9 a.m.](#)



Honoring a scientific trailblazer: Levine Prize ceremony

Reminder: UT Southwestern invites all faculty, staff, and students to celebrate the legacy of Dr. Beth Levine, whose pioneering research shaped the field of mammalian autophagy.

This year's Beth Levine, M.D. Prize in Autophagy Research will be awarded to **Andrea Ballabio, M.D.**, a globally recognized medical geneticist known for his work on the mechanisms behind genetic diseases. Learn more about Dr. Ballabio and his research in our [news release](#).

The ceremony will be Sept. 15 from 11 a.m. to noon in the Tom and Lula Gooch Auditorium and will feature a lecture by Dr. Ballabio highlighting his research in autophagy. Lunch will follow for registered attendees.

[Be a part of the tribute](#)

Vaccinations: Get ready to roll up your sleeve

In preparation for the 2025 influenza season, here are some early details about when and where flu shots will be available. As UT Southwestern employees, you will have access to your annual vaccine from **Sept. 15 through Oct. 31**, by appointment, as scheduled through Occupational Health's [ReadySet platform](#). **You can now begin scheduling your appointments.** Vaccinations will be administered at the following locations:

Clements University Hospital, Lecture Hall UH 02.138

- Sept. 15-19, 7 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Sept. 20, 7 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Sept. 22-26, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Zale Lipshy Pavilion, patient holding area ZL 0.404

- Sept. 29, 7 a.m.-4 p.m.

Administrative

- Sept. 30, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Brookriver conference room LB01.109
- Oct. 1, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Empire Central LD1.312 OMFS conference room
- Oct. 1, 1-4 p.m., Pegasus conference room LP03.108

North Campus: Cancer Care Outpatient Building, conference room NM3.804

- Oct. 2-3, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

West Campus: Professional Office Building 1 (POB 1), conference room HA1.100

- Oct. 6-31, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

In addition to the locations listed above, [shots will be provided](#) at our regional medical centers. Please use ReadySet to schedule your appointments.

For UTSW retail pharmacies, please use MyChart scheduling. (Information on COVID-19 vaccinations will be included in forthcoming communications.)

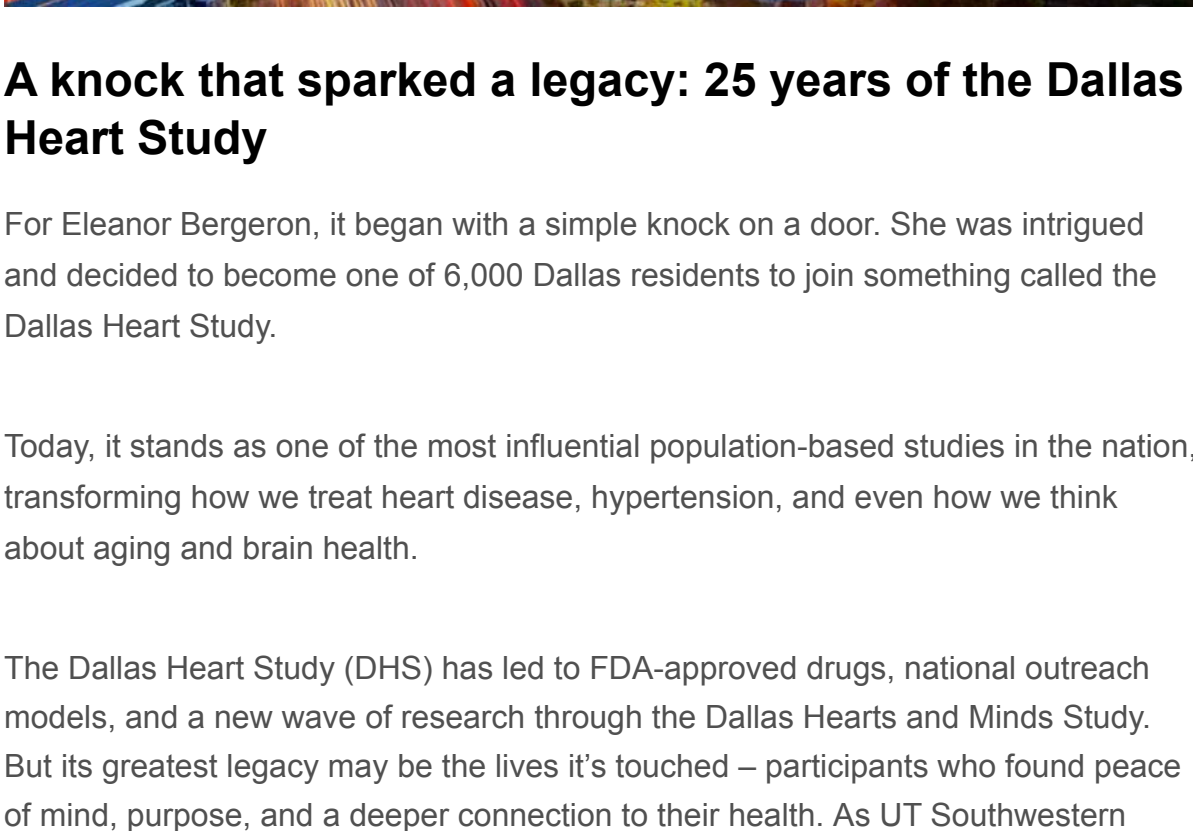
You'll find more details, including tip sheets and step-by-step scheduling instructions, on UTSW's [flu webpage](#). "High-dose" formulations for individuals 65 years and older will be offered as well. Students will be receiving a separate communication about flu vaccination from Student Health.

As a reminder, UT Southwestern policy ([HSO-203: Influenza Vaccination](#)) requires that all faculty, staff, house staff, and students working or training within our University Hospital and clinics, or at any UTSW or affiliated clinical research sites or locations, receive an influenza vaccination or provide written notice to Occupational Health that they decline to be vaccinated for medical, religious, or personal reasons.

Employees may receive vaccinations outside of UTSW's Occupational Health – including at our retail pharmacies – but they will need to upload proof. For details and instructions, please visit UTSW's [flu webpage](#) and scroll down to the "Be Compliant" section.

For questions, please contact [Occupational Health](#).

[Get the facts on the flu](#)



Set your course for FY26: Goal-setting resources available

Thank you to all employees and leaders who participated in the FY25 performance evaluation cycle. Your thoughtful contributions support continuous growth across our organization.

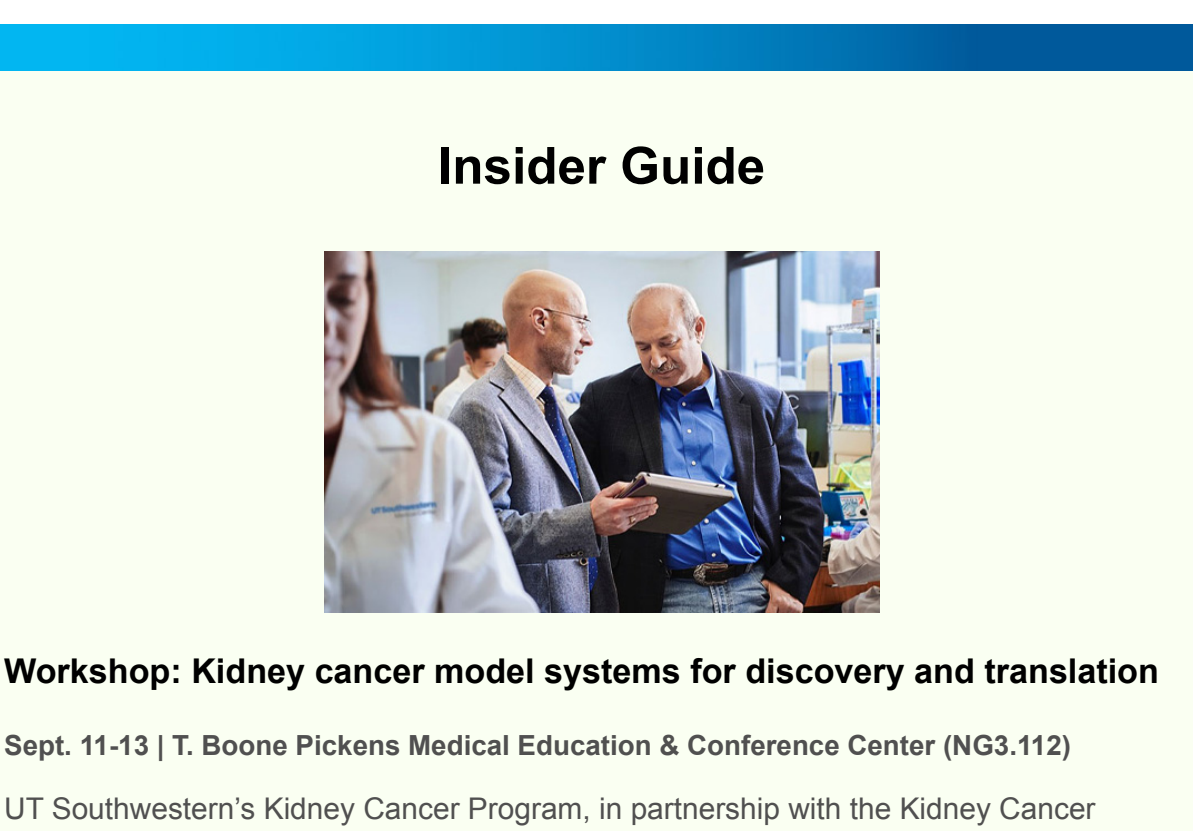
Now, it's time to look ahead. Setting clear, measurable goals for FY26 provides a foundation for performance throughout the year and supports alignment with departmental and institutional priorities.

To support you, Human Resources' Performance Management team is offering 30-minute live virtual training sessions covering:

- Purposeful goal setting
- Writing meaningful and actionable goals
- Entering goals into iPerform

Whether you're developing goals for yourself or guiding your team, these sessions will help you start FY26 with clarity and confidence.

[Goal-setting virtual sessions](#)



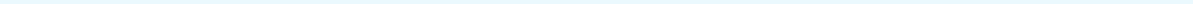
A knock that sparked a legacy: 25 years of the Dallas Heart Study

For Eleanor Bergeron, it began with a simple knock on a door. She was intrigued and decided to become one of 6,000 Dallas residents to join something called the Dallas Heart Study.

Today, it stands as one of the most influential population-based studies in the nation, transforming how we treat heart disease, hypertension, and even how we think about aging and brain health.

The Dallas Heart Study (DHS) has led to FDA-approved drugs, national outreach models, and a new wave of research through the Dallas Hearts and Minds Study. But its greatest legacy may be the lives it's touched – participants who found peace of mind, purpose, and a deeper connection to their health. As UT Southwestern looks ahead to the next 25 years, the story of DHS is still unfolding, and it's one you won't want to miss.

[Explore the legacy](#)



NICU babies suit up for College Colors Day

UT Southwestern nurses and staff brought extra spirit to College Colors Day by crafting handmade SMU football jerseys – just the right size for our tiniest Mustangs in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

These heartwarming photos capture more than school pride; they reflect the love, resilience, and care that fill our NICU every day. A huge thank-you to our incredible team for making this moment so special and to the little fighters and their families who continue to inspire us with their strength and courage.

Be sure to visit Instagram using the link below to see more sweet snapshots!

As the Official Health Care System of SMU Athletics, UT Southwestern is proud to support the Mustangs. And don't forget that UTSW faculty, employees, and learners have access to discounted tickets to SMU games and other partner events. Visit the [employee discount page for details](#), or reach out to the [Brand team](#) with any questions.

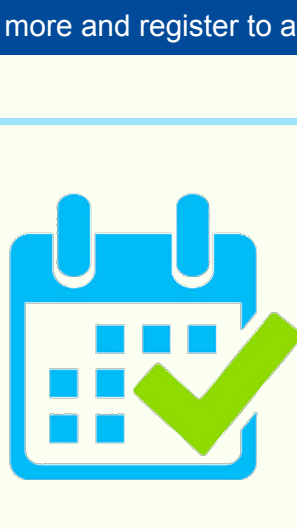
Insider Guide

Workshop: Kidney cancer model systems for discovery and translation

Sept. 11-13 | T. Boone Pickens Medical Education & Conference Center (NG3.112)

UT Southwestern's Kidney Cancer Program, in partnership with the Kidney Cancer Association, is hosting a three-day event that will bring together more than 30 leading experts from around the world, alongside UTSW faculty. Speakers will share the latest advances in kidney cancer research and treatment. All faculty, trainees, and staff are invited to attend the event. Registration is required.

[Learn more and register to attend](#)



UTSW Events Calendar

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