



*Search for the Chair of Medicine at the Keck School of Medicine  
University of Southern California  
Los Angeles, California*

The University of Southern California's Keck School of Medicine seeks a collaborative and dynamic physician-leader to serve as its next Chair of the Department of Medicine. The Chair will join a highly distinguished medical school dedicated to improving the quality of life for individuals and society by promoting health, preventing and curing disease, advancing biomedical research, and educating tomorrow's physicians and scientists. The Chair will play an integral role in building on Keck's forward momentum, leading medicine into the 21<sup>st</sup> century and transforming health for the community and society.

Throughout its history, the Keck School of Medicine (KSOM) has been at the forefront of innovation in academic medicine, with a legacy of community service and a commitment to health equity that continues to this day. KSOM holds academic affiliations with two Los Angeles-based hospitals: Los Angeles County + USC Medical Center (LAC+USC or LA County) and Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA). KSOM is part of an integrated academic health system that includes Keck Medicine of USC as well as partnerships with USC health sciences schools of pharmacy, social work, dentistry, and gerontology. Keck Medicine owns and operates the Keck Medical Center of USC, which includes two acute care hospitals: Keck Hospital of USC and USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Hospital. Both hospitals are staffed by more than 500 physicians who are faculty at KSOM. This includes the ownership of the community hospital USC Verdugo Hills Hospital, and more than 40 outpatient locations.

KSOM is home to 2,079 full-time faculty, including faculty at CHLA; 269 part-time faculty; 2,080 voluntary faculty physicians; 1,006 resident and fellow physicians at Keck and LAC+USC Medical Center, and an additional 260 residents and fellows at CHLA; 2,329 staff; and 3,006 students, including MD, PhD, MD/PhD, master's, undergraduate, certificate, and part-time students. In addition to the MD program, whose innovative curriculum integrates clinical study with basic science and close work with faculty mentors, KSOM offers 30 graduate programs – MD/PhD, PhD, master's, and certificates – in which students work on the world's most pressing health and biomedical problems. The School also offers postdoctoral training programs, a number of professional degree programs, two undergraduate degree programs, and opportunities for continued medical education. *U.S. News and World Report* ranks KSOM 28<sup>th</sup> in research, and in the top 50 for the most diverse medical schools in the country.

The Department of Medicine is comprised of 335 faculty, 228 staff members, including 98 research staff, and 272 trainees, including 165 residents, 107 fellows, and 12 postdocs. Reporting to the new Dean of Medicine, Dr. Carolyn Meltzer, the Chair will be responsible for the strategic leadership of the Department during a time of significant growth and opportunity as the University takes strides towards doubling the size of its research enterprise while scaling its health system. The Department is highly committed to its tripartite mission: Ensuring provision of exceptional patient care, working diligently to advance the science of medicine, and providing the highest quality of education for future physicians, medical educators, and clinical leaders. The Chair will continue to execute on these values while advancing the Department's level of prominence and impact.

The Chair will be a highly accomplished MD or MD/PhD with substantial leadership experience and adept change management skills. They will be responsible for collaboratively developing and implementing a

vision for the Department that integrates its clinical, education, and research missions, while fostering a culture of teamwork, equity, and inclusion. The Chair must be committed to patient care; faculty development; translational research; and education and mentorship of medical students, residents, and fellows; with a track record of success in these areas. Capitalizing on KSOM's extraordinary strengths, entrepreneurial spirit, and unparalleled location in Los Angeles, the Chair will be instrumental in nurturing a cooperative and transparent culture and instilling key values of social justice and excellence of practice in the next generation of medicine leaders.

USC has retained Isaacson, Miller, a national executive search firm, to assist in this search. Screening of complete applications will begin immediately and continue until the completion of the search process. Inquiries, nominations, referrals, and CVs with cover letters should be sent via the Isaacson, Miller website for the search: <http://www.imsearch.com/8536>. Electronic submission of materials is required.



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