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## Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of **USC**

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### DEAN'S MESSAGE

Dear USC Dentistry Community,

Earlier this week, we were excited to welcome USC President **Carol Folt** and Senior Vice President for Health Affairs **Steven Shapiro** as part of their (and USC Provost **Andrew Guzman's**) fall visits to all the academic units across the

university. During the freewheeling discussion — attended by faculty leadership, including tenure track and RTPC full-time and part-time faculty representatives — Folt and Shapiro shared their priorities and future visions for the Health Sciences, USC and academia at large. President Folt was even kind enough to bring a basket of cookies made by a USC mom. I'd like to thank all the faculty members who took the time to attend. It was a great opportunity to showcase our accomplishments with university leadership.

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Ostrow's **Office of Continuing Education** recently rolled out "Responsibilities and Requirements of Prescribing Schedule II Opioid Drugs," a two-hour on-demand self study course that will fulfill a mandated training for all licensed California dentists. As a token of appreciation, the course is being offered for free for all USC Dentistry faculty members. The prerecorded lecture covers everything from regulatory requirements for prescribers and dispensers to recognizing at-risk populations for opioid addiction to understanding how to use and navigate the CARES system to finding alternative medications to opioids. Thank you to **Alon Frydman**, who delivered the lecture and authored the quiz for the on-demand course. California dentists will have to take it every time they renew their licenses, even if they do not possess a DEA license. You can access the course at Ostrow's [Continuing Education webpage](#) until the end of the year, at which time it will be replaced with a new course that fulfills the obligation.

Finally, students: USC Student Health will be hosting a Flu Vaccine Clinic right here at Ostrow for students and residents. The clinic will take place on Friday, September 29, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the West Lawn during the Student Palooza Club Fair and again on Thursday, October 12 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the East Lobby. No appointments are necessary, and there are no costs or co-pays for USC students and residents on the SHIP/Aetna health plan. Thank you to the **Office of Student Life** for helping to plan this event. If you have any questions, email the Office of Student life at [ostrowsl@usc.edu](mailto:ostrowsl@usc.edu).

With that, I wish you a relaxing weekend.

Fight On!

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