



## UT SOUTHWESTERN EMPLOYEE ADVISORY COUNCIL

### Final chance to nominate for the EAC

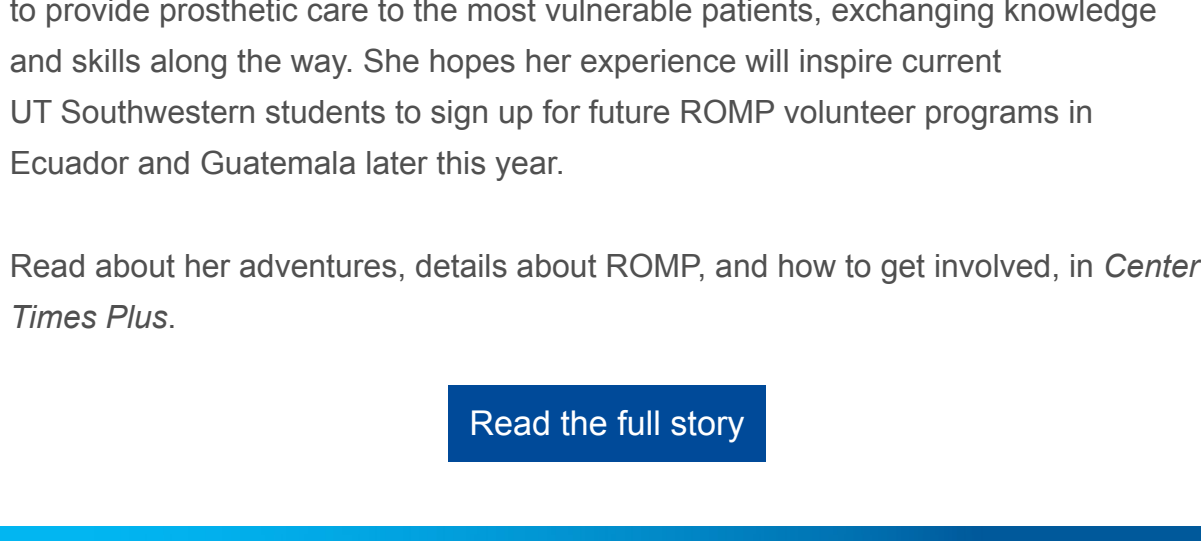
This week is your last chance to nominate yourself or a colleague to serve on the Employee Advisory Council (EAC).

The [EAC](#) (on-campus network or VPN connection required) is a peer-nominated group designed to enhance employee communication and build community. Council members meet periodically with UT Southwestern President **Daniel K. Podolsky, M.D.**, and represent five different districts across UTSW to ensure the diverse voices of all employees are heard. While Council members are being sought from all districts, there is a particular need for nominations for District 5: University Hospitals.

Visit this [EAC page](#) and submit nominations for your district by **5 p.m., July 5**. Please be sure your entries are complete, because once you hit "Submit," you won't be able to make any revisions or nominate anyone else. You can also send your nominations via email to [eac@utsouthwestern.edu](mailto:eac@utsouthwestern.edu). For each nomination (up to three), please include the individual's full name, email address, and department.

Voting for candidates will take place July 29 through Aug. 16.

For more information, check out the [membership and nominations criteria](#) on the EAC website.



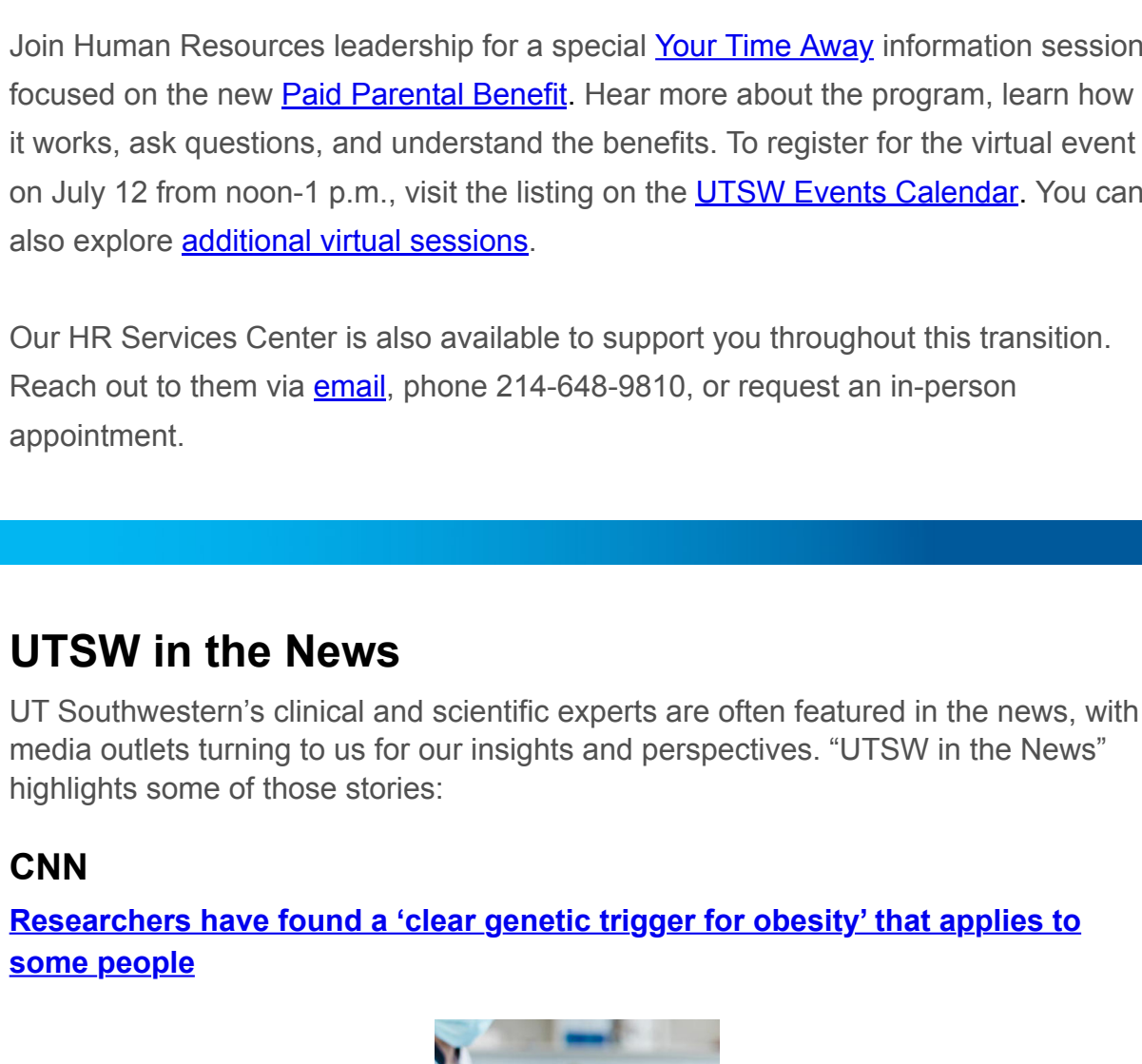
### UTSW grad helps restore mobility to underserved amputees in Ecuador

After graduating in 2023 with a master's in Prosthetics-Orthotics, **Kira Donnelly, M.P.O.**, hit the ground running with a volunteer trip to Quito, Ecuador, working for the Range of Motion Project (ROMP), a global nonprofit organization dedicated to improving access to high-quality prosthetic care.

Ms. Donnelly and her fellow ROMP volunteers worked alongside local practitioners to provide prosthetic care to the most vulnerable patients, exchanging knowledge and skills along the way. She hopes her experience will inspire current UT Southwestern students to sign up for future ROMP volunteer programs in Ecuador and Guatemala later this year.

Read about her adventures, details about ROMP, and how to get involved, in *Center Times Plus*.

[Read the full story](#)



### Paid Parental Benefit information session July 12

Join Human Resources leadership for a special [Your Time Away](#) information session focused on the new [Paid Parental Benefit](#). Hear more about the program, learn how it works, ask questions, and understand the benefits. To register for the virtual event on July 12 from noon-1 p.m., visit the listing on the [UTSW Events Calendar](#). You can also explore [additional virtual sessions](#).

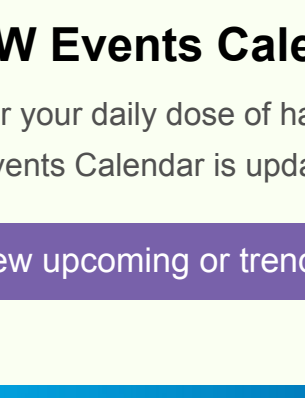
Our HR Services Center is also available to support you throughout this transition. Reach out to them via [email](#), phone 214-648-9810, or request an in-person appointment.

### UTSW in the News

UT Southwestern's clinical and scientific experts are often featured in the news, with media outlets turning to us for our insights and perspectives. "UTSW in the News" highlights some of those stories:

#### CNN

[Researchers have found a 'clear genetic trigger for obesity' that applies to some people](#)



Last week, **Philipp Scherer, Ph.D.**, Director of the Touchstone Diabetes Center at UTSW, offered his perspective to CNN on a new research study from the U.K. that uncovered a genetic explanation of why obesity occurs in some people.

[Read the full story](#)

### Insider Guide



#### Empowerment Through Authenticity: BRG Panel Discussion

Noon-1 p.m., July 9 | Virtual

Join UT Southwestern in recognizing mental health awareness throughout the month of July with the "Empowering Through Authenticity: Opening the Door for Personal Growth and Resilience" virtual event. During this hour of conversation, panelists from UTSW's Business Resource Groups ([BRGs](#)) will explore how embracing authenticity fosters personal growth and resilience within our communities.

Registration is required.

[Details](#)



### UTSW Events Calendar

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