

From the Dean

We are excited to welcome our alumni and guests back to campus today for KU Medical Center's Alumni Reunion Weekend 2023.

I am looking forward to a full day of activities including the annual awards luncheon at noon where we honor this year's KU Medical Center Alumni Award recipients. The 2023 Early Career Achievement in Health Professions Alumnus is **Tommy Van Towle, DPT, PT**, the 2023 Honorary Health Professions Alumna is **Susan Jackson, Ph.D.**, and **Scott Mattivi, B.S.**, is the 2023 Distinguished Health Professions Alumnus. Learn about each of them and send congratulations online via [the Office of Alumni Relations website](#).

The Department of Physical Therapy, Rehabilitation Science, and Athletic Training is hosting a tour of its clinical skills lab in the School of Nursing Building from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

At 3 p.m. I am participating in "Coffee and Conversation with KU School of Health Professions Leadership." This is an informal chat that provides an opportunity for our graduates and guests to connect with us over coffee and treats.

The Department of Occupational Therapy Education is hosting an open house in its clinical skills training space in the School of Nursing Building at 5 p.m. There will be a keynote address at 6 p.m. by KU alumna and former faculty member **Catana Brown, Ph.D., OTR/L, FAOTA**, titled "Less Talking and More Doing: Things We Can Do to Promote Occupational Therapy's Distinct Value." A reception will follow.

Please be safe and thank you for all that you do.

