

To Whom It May Concern,

With great sadness we regret to inform you that United to Serve's "Carnaval de Salud", previously scheduled for April 25, 2020, is cancelled. We took this action for understandable reasons due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The UT Southwestern Emergency Operations Center has been meeting daily to address all challenges our institution could face during this difficult time and has established new guidelines consistent with the recommendations of leading health officials as COVID-19 continues to spread. UT Southwestern is taking steps to minimize the need to gather in large groups and spend prolonged time in close proximity with each other in order to limit spread, protect our healthcare workers, and conserve resources to serve the community. We assure you that these recommendations and the subsequent cancellation of United to Serve's "Carnaval de Salud" are made in an effort to do everything possible to ensure the well-being and safety of our students, faculty, staff, and community.

2020 would have marked the 16th year of UT Southwestern providing a health fair, outreach education program, and social engagement activities to our community- we know it will be missed by many this year. In its absence, we hope to keep alive the spirit of Carnaval de Salud by providing opportunities for digital outreach in the form of social media posts presenting health information, games, science experiments, and more opportunities for learning that would have otherwise been presented to our patrons at Carnaval de Salud. These posts will be available on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/CarnavaldeSalud/>. We look forward to celebrating United to Serve with the community in person in 2021.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding United to Serve's Carnaval de Salud, you may reach out to utsdirectors@gmail.com or message us on Facebook.

More information on COVID-19, social distancing, and health recommendations is available on UT Southwestern's COVID-19 website (<https://www.utsouthwestern.edu/covid-19/>) and the official CDC website (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>).

Thank you for your engagement, support, and understanding.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Gueler, Sarah Yuen, Shannon Reinert, and Collin Buerger
The Directors of UT Southwestern's United to Serve 2020