

Enhancing Research Safety at USC

**USC Research Administrators Forum
Tutor Campus Center Grand Ballroom**

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EH&S Staffing/Reorganization

- 6 New Positions:
- Lab Safety
 - Chemical Hygiene Officer
 - Biosafety Officer
 - 2 Lab Safety Specialists
 - Controlled Substances Program Manager
 - Clinical Labs Program Manager
- Occupational Health Division



Enhance Research Safety Infrastructure

- Research Safety Oversight Committee (RSOC)
 - Chaired by Randy Hall
 - Members include:
 - Chairpersons of Campus-wide Safety Committees
 - Executive Director - EH&S
 - Director - Research Compliance

Enhance Research Safety Infrastructure

- Laser Safety Subcommittee (under Radiation Safety Committee)
 - Subcommittee Charter under Review
- Campus-wide Chemical Safety Committee (CCSC)
 - Committee Charter undergoing final review by RSOC

Enhance Research Safety Infrastructure

- Laboratory Hazard Assessment Tool (LHAT)
 - Fall 2015
- PPE Policy Development
 - Draft undergoing review
- PPE Distribution
 - Lab coats distribution expected to be complete by June 2015



Questions?