

Message from John August to USC

I am very pleased to announce that Janet Coffman will join the staff of the Coalition of Kaiser Permanente Unions. Janet takes on the new position of director of education and transformation, effective July 1, 2010. Most of you know and many have had the opportunity to work with Janet. Since 2004, she has worked as an LMP senior communications consultant with Kaiser Permanente and has helped develop the communications strategy and most of the current communications vehicles distributed to front line care providers by our Labor Management Partnership. She most recently served as one of the primary organizers of the coalition's annual delegate conference. Her broad experience includes working with the California Labor & Workforce Development Agency, which oversees Cal-OSHA, the California labor commissioner's office and the Workforce Investment Board; labor unions (including SEIU, UAW and CWA) on organizing, bargaining and political initiative campaigns and with the Industrial Union Department of the AFL-CIO, where she supported organizing campaigns in the southeastern United States. She originally joined the labor movement as a member of the UFCW in San Francisco. As director of education and transformation, Janet will lead the coalition's learning efforts, including expanding its leadership development program and supporting the expansion of high-performing UBTs with better targeted and more comprehensive front line learning.

Welcome Janet!