UF Health Updates
Faculty Senate

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UF Health Expansion:
10-Year Plan

$4.7B ~ $8B
(increase academic investment 2X-3X)

4M lives covered

UFH Gainesville
UFH Wildlight
UFH North campus
North Tower expansion
UFH Jacksonville
UF Jax expansion
UFH Ocala
Flagler RFP
UFH Ocala Heath Brook/Summerfield
Halifax Health | UF Health – Medical Center of Deltona
UF Health Villages Hospital
UF Health Leesburg Hospital
UF Eustis facility
UF Health Jupiter & West Palm campus
Scripps Florida
~500 employees (41 faculty, and 83 graduate students)

$67.3M/yr Revenue
~$46M from NIH (~$2M NCI)

353,000 ft² Facility
70 acres to be developed

Drug Discovery Core
Innovative chemistry & biology research

Philanthropy
$100M naming gift

UF & Scripps: New Opportunities

Drugs directed at RNA

High-Throughput Molecular Screening
Proposed New Research Building

120,000+ sq ft Translational Research Building to house cancer, diabetes, microbiome and metabolomics research programs

FUNDING MECHANISM
• Bond financing

PROXIMITY TO:
• Emerging Pathogens Institute
• Cancer and Genetics Research
• Archer Road
• Gale Lemarand Drive
New Deans

Dean Beth Virnig, Ph.D., M.P.H.
UF College of Public Health & Health Professions

Dean Peter Swaan, Ph.D., FAAPS
UF College of Pharmacy
Leadership:
Lakesha Butler, PharmD
UF Health Chief Diversity Officer and Associate Vice President for Inclusion, Diversity and Health Equity

Innovation:
UF Health Jacksonville receives 2022 Florida Blue Foundation grant to create statewide Center for Health Equity and Social Justice

UF CTSI HealthStreet and UF/IFAS Extension receive 2022 AAMC Innovations That Bolster Community Trust in Science Award

Outreach:
UF Health-UF Center for Precollegiate Education and Training partnership to amplify and unify K-16 outreach programs in the health sciences

New initiative in development
• Mirroring the national trend, the number of Florida cases continues to decline, but transmission remains high in Alachua County

• The new “bivalent vaccine” is currently recommended
  • Include components of the original virus strain and the Omicron variant
  • Widely available, and can be given at the same time as the flu vaccine

• Vaccination continues to provide protection against severe disease, hospitalization and death
• Transmitted by **prolonged** skin-to-skin contact or with materials like towels, clothing, bedding
• Mainly affecting young men who have sex with men but expected to affect other populations
• Cases are increasing nationally and in Florida but still only a handful in Alachua
• Most cases identified at UF Health and do not involve students
• Student Health actively involved in identifying, testing, and obtaining treatment and vaccines for students
• The antiviral medication (Tpoxx) and the vaccine (Jynneos) currently available for most affected individuals thru the DOH

https://www.flhealthcharts.gov/ChartsReports/
The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at UF Health is committed to delivering the full spectrum of clinical care and education in reproductive health, pregnancy, gynecologic care and cancer care.

- Increased focus on Family Planning Care services
  - Full spectrum contraceptive care
  - New Complex Family Planning program for those with complex medical conditions

- Florida House Bill 05: In effect since July 1
  - Pregnancy termination now restricted after 15 weeks of gestation with 2 exceptions
    - Fetal abnormalities expected to be lethal
    - If necessary to save the pregnant woman’s life or avert a serious risk of substantial and irreversible physical impairment of a major bodily function ... other than a psychological condition
  - At UF, when medically indicated, individual reviews occur for situations >15 weeks where exceptions would apply to allow for option of pregnancy termination per HB 05

- UF education and training programs support teaching all aspects of reproductive care including family planning, contraceptive care and abortion care as outlined by our professional organizations
State of Florida and UF Gender Care

- April 2022
  - FL DOH guidance advises against provision of gender-affirming care (including medical and social transition) for children and adolescents

- June 2022
  - FL AHCA Determination that Treatment of Gender Dysphoria regards all medical and surgical treatment for gender dysphoria in adolescents and adults is experimental and investigational

- August 2022
  - FL Medicaid ceases coverage of gender-affirming medications and surgeries for all recipients, including adults
  - Florida Board of Medicine votes to start rule-making process for gender dysphoria standards of care
    - Rules have not yet been made
    - Rule Development Workshop scheduled for September 30 in Tallahassee

- UF Health is continuing to provide gender-affirming medical care
  - UF Youth Gender Program
  - UF Endocrinology, Internal Medicine, Family Medicine, OB/GYN, Surgery
UF Health Roadmap 2030

Advancing Health Care Excellence

Accelerating Discovery

Reimagining Education

Improving Health Through Community Connection

Building Tomorrow’s Workforce

Working together to create the healthiest generation.