UF Health Jacksonville

UF Health Jacksonville is a private, not-for-profit hospital affiliated with the University of Florida. It is part of UF Health, the Southeast’s most comprehensive academic health center, with campuses in Jacksonville and Gainesville.

The hospital’s origins date to 1870 as Florida’s first nonmilitary hospital, known then as Duval Hospital and Asylum. UF Health Jacksonville is a leader in the education of health professionals, a hub for clinical research and a unique provider of high-quality patient care. Combining its strengths with the UF College of Medicine – Jacksonville, it offers residents in Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia all the benefits of an academic health center. UF Health Jacksonville’s newest campus, UF Health North, which opened in 2015, includes a bed tower with 92 private rooms and a medical office building that houses an emergency room, outpatient surgery suites, imaging services and physician offices. It is the only full-service hospital in North Jacksonville. UF Health East, which opened this year, offers multispecialty services to the Southside community of Jacksonville on the second floor of the new three-story, 54,000-square-foot medical facility.

Community Initiatives

UF Health Jacksonville offers a variety of health education and outreach initiatives aimed at improving the quality of life for everyone in the community. Registered nurses, physicians, physician assistants, pharmacists and volunteers provide routine health screenings, education, disease counseling and case management. They also make referrals and link clients to other community service partners, regardless of insurance or ability to pay. UF Health Jacksonville is committed to decreasing disparities in health care delivery across ethnic and economic lines.
2021 Accomplishments

Achieved Excellence in Nursing
In 2022, the Medical Intensive Care Unit and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at UF Health Jacksonville were both recognized as Silver Beacon Units by the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses. The Beacon Award for Excellence honors individual hospital units that set the standard in evidence-based practices to improve patient and family outcomes, as well as staff and patient satisfaction.

Awards for Clinical Quality
UF Health Jacksonville received a three-year accreditation from the Commission on Cancer, a quality program of the American College of Surgeons. To earn the accreditation, UF Health Jacksonville's cancer program met 34 quality care standards, which focus on excellence in the delivery of comprehensive patient-centered care.

LGBTQ Healthcare Equality Leader
UF Health Jacksonville was recognized as an LGBTQ Healthcare Equality Leader by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation in their annual Healthcare Equality Index (HEI) report. This is the third time that the organization has not only received the honor, but also achieved a perfect score.

The HEI evaluates and scores health care facilities’ policies and practices related to equity and inclusion of their LGBTQ patients, visitors and employees.

Expanding Health Care Access in Northeast Florida
UF Health Jacksonville expanded with the openings of UF Health East and UF Health Deerwood Park in 2022.

UF Health East offers multispecialty services on the second floor of the new three-story, 54,000-square-foot medical facility off Kernan Boulevard near J. Turner Butler Boulevard. University of Florida surgeons perform outpatient surgeries in the Centurion Surgery Center on the first floor. MRI services are also available.

UF Health Deerwood Park offers multispecialty services on the second floor of the CenterOne medical office building, convenient to Gate Parkway and the St. Johns Town Center.
Education and Research

Educating the health professionals of tomorrow is a key mission of UF Health. This mission is accomplished through educational programs for medical students, residents, fellows, pharmacy students and nursing students.

Located on the UF Health Jacksonville campus, the UF Center for Simulation Education and Safety Research is nationally recognized as a center of excellence for simulation training. It promotes broadly disciplined health care education and patient safety. This goal is achieved by expanding the educational experience to maximize learning opportunities for students, residents, hospital personnel and other health care providers. The 24,000-square-foot facility offers unique opportunities to explore a wide variety of training scenarios, including mass casualty events, multiple patient encounters and a continuum of care from remote interventions through emergency room admissions and full surgical interventions.

The Center for Data Solutions supports research at all stages, from ideas and study design to analytics and publication. The Center for Data Solutions is structured to respond to the changing health science research landscape by complementing classical biostatistical support with expertise in epidemiology, machine learning and artificial intelligence. The Center for Research Training is structured to develop the next generation of highly collaborative clinical researchers, who will advance the science of medicine and transform health care.

UF Jacksonville Aging Studies Center, or JAX-ASCENT, uses a broad spectrum of biomedical investigation, including clinical research, behavioral sciences, social sciences, epidemiology, biostatistics and health services, while implementing rigor and transparency in research in defining health aging and independence of older adults.

Patient Care

UF Health provides a wide range of inpatient and outpatient health care services. In addition to the main campus located in downtown Jacksonville, UF Health has more than 60 primary care and specialty practices throughout the region. UF Health physicians collectively offer more than 100 advanced specialty and subspecialty services, including key programs in:

- Cardiology and vascular surgery
- Interventional radiology
- Minimally invasive and robotic surgery
- Neurology and neurosurgery
- Obstetrics and gynecology
- Oncology
- Orthopaedic surgery
- Pediatrics
- Trauma and critical care

Located on the UF Health Jacksonville downtown campus, the UF Health Proton Therapy Institute is one of few facilities in the U.S. equipped to treat cancer with protons. Proton therapy greatly reduces the damage to surrounding tissue, which is a significant improvement over traditional radiation therapy.

The campus also is home to the state’s first and region’s only Level I adult and pediatric trauma program, TraumaOne. The team consists of surgeons, nurses and other health care professionals with extensive training in caring for trauma patients.