UF Health Shands

UF Health Shands is a private, not-for-profit hospital system affiliated with the University of Florida. It is part of UF Health, a world-class academic health center and part of one of the nation's top 10 public research universities, with main campuses in Gainesville and Jacksonville as well as satellite sites in Leesburg and The Villages.

UF Health Shands is based in Gainesville. It features a teaching hospital, UF Health Shands Hospital, five specialty hospitals — UF Health Shands Cancer Hospital, UF Health Shands Children’s Hospital, UF Health Psychiatric Hospital, UF Health Heart & Vascular Hospital and UF Health Neuromedicine Hospital; a network of outpatient rehabilitation centers; and a home health agency. UF Health Shands is affiliated with more than 50 UF Health Physicians primary care and specialty medical practices located throughout North Central Florida. UF Health Shands Hospital is also home to a state-designated Level I trauma center, a Level IV neonatal intensive care unit, a regional burn center and an emergency air and ground transport program.

UF Health Shands has built relationships with affiliates throughout the state in services such as cancer, heart surgery, neurosurgery, pediatrics, pediatric cardiology, pediatric nephrology, vascular surgery and addiction medicine. The UF Health Rehab Hospital, a collaboration between UF Health and Select Medical, was recognized as the Best Physical Rehabilitation Center in Florida by Newsweek Magazine in 2020. UF Health Shands also is affiliated with urgent care centers in Gainesville and Ocala and collaborates with other hospitals and health care providers to expand clinical programs and research and education efforts.

More than 1,100 UF College of Medicine faculty and community physicians on the UF Health Shands medical staff provide care in more than 100 specialty and subspecialty medical areas, from primary care to highly specialized and complex care, including cancer, heart and vascular, neuromedicine, pediatrics and transplantation services. Each year, patients come to UF Health Shands from all 67 Florida counties, throughout the nation and 27 countries.
Accolades
UF Health Shands Hospital consistently earns top-50 rankings in multiple medical specialties in the annual listings of America's Best Hospitals and Children's Hospitals, published by U.S. News & World Report. Additionally, programs have earned their fourth-consecutive Magnet® designation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the nursing profession's most prestigious honor for our outstanding patient care and nursing excellence and innovations in nursing. UF Health Shands also was listed among the Becker’s Healthcare 2020 list of 100 Great Hospitals in America. The organizations included are nationally recognized for excellence in clinical care, patient outcomes and staff and physician satisfaction, as well as patient satisfaction and industry innovation. In addition, UF Health ranks No. 53 on the Forbes list of Florida’s 100 best workplaces and No. 31 in the nation for female workers.

Quality & Service Excellence
Our teams provide comprehensive diagnostic and therapeutic inpatient and outpatient specialty and subspecialty care. Nationally and internationally renowned UF Health faculty physicians collaborate with highly skilled nurses and clinical staff and have access to the latest medical technologies, treatments and research findings. This truly multidisciplinary approach is unique to the academic environment and our patients benefit as we strive to provide the highest standards of quality care, patient safety and hospitable, compassionate service.

Social Responsibility & Charity Care
Our commitment as a responsible, accountable steward of our resources is the cornerstone of UF Health's not-for-profit mission. In fiscal year 2020, UF Health Shands provided $64.2 million in unreimbursed charity care (at cost). UF Health Shands Hospital is among the state’s 12 teaching hospitals. We are one of Florida’s 14 “safety net” hospital systems that provide accessible, high-quality health care for all Floridians, regardless of their ability to pay. According to the Safety Net Hospital Alliance of Florida, safety net hospitals represent 10% of the state’s hospitals, but they provide 41% of the state’s charity care and nearly 40% of all Medicaid days. Safety net hospitals also provide 68% of the state’s graduate medical education.

Economic Support & Impact
Our health care programs generate a major positive economic impact that supports our local communities and the state of Florida. The patient care programs of UF Health Shands and the UF College of Medicine in Gainesville result in an annual combined economic impact of approximately $4.6 billion.
UF Health Shands Hospital
- Areas of excellence in cancer, heart and vascular, neuromedicine, pediatric and transplant services
- One of Florida’s five regional burn centers
- UF Health Shands Comprehensive Stroke Center nationally recognized by The Joint Commission, the American Stroke Association and the American Heart Association as a comprehensive center offering the highest level of stroke care
- Designated a Blue Distinction Center in the area of transplant care by Florida Blue as part of a national program of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association
- Awarded Baby-Friendly designation by Baby-Friendly USA

UF Health Shands Cancer Hospital and Trauma Center
- Recognized as a state-designated Cancer Center of Excellence and UF Health Critical Care Center
- Houses the Aquilion ONE 320-detector row CT scanner capable of scanning an entire organ in a single pass and producing 3-D images and 4-D videos that show an organ's structure, movement and blood flow
- Features stem cell laboratory, bone marrow transplant unit and clinic, 13 state-of-the-art operating rooms, one interventional radiology room and one OR/IR hybrid trauma room
- Houses the UF Health Critical Care Center, with a co-located adult emergency room and the region's only Level I trauma center, offering large private patient rooms and spacious trauma rooms

UF Health Shands Children’s Hospital
- UF faculty physicians are available for consultation in more than 20 medical specialties, including pediatric surgery, cardiology and hematology/oncology
- 72-bed Level IV Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
- 24/7 pediatric E.R. provides one-stop children's health care for emergency care
- The Pediatric Cardiac ICU, part of the UF Health Congenital Heart Center, provides patients with comprehensive pediatric heart care, from noninvasive cardiac imaging to treating those who are in need of or recovering from a pediatric heart, lung or heart-lung transplantation
- The Sebastian Ferrero Atrium offers a dedicated, family-friendly entrance and lobby
UF Health Psychiatric Hospital

- Comprehensive behavioral health and addiction medicine hospital
- UF physicians provide inpatient and outpatient services
- Comprehensive adult, adolescent and child psychiatry programs
- Services include treatment for addiction, anxiety and panic disorders, depression, mood disorders, psychoses and other psychiatric illnesses
- Baker Act receiving facility to care for people in crisis
- The affiliated UF Health Florida Recovery Center offers alcohol and substance abuse treatment through a partial hospitalization program, an intensive outpatient program and outpatient appointments

UF Health Heart & Vascular Hospital and UF Health Neuromedicine Hospital

- Two specialty hospitals feature a combined 216 beds (including 120 ICU beds) and 15 state-of-the-art operating rooms to provide comprehensive care for patients with heart and vascular and neurological needs
- Accredited electroencephalography center co-located with patient exam rooms, offering advanced neurological testing and study capabilities
- Seven dedicated neuromedicine operating rooms, including two with intraoperative MRI and two hybrid endovascular/cerebrovascular ORs with the latest imaging capabilities
- Radiology suite with two 640-slice volumetric CT scanners, two MRI systems and the latest ultrasound and X-ray devices