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Important Information re: Postdoc Insurance:

Effective July 1, 2013, the University of Florida's insurance plan for Postdoctoral Associates and Postdoctoral Fellows will be provided as part of GatorCare, the University's new self-insured health plan. The name of the plan is GatorCare Options. To view a plan brochure for GatorCare Options, please visit http://gatorcare.org/options_g.asp. For further details about GatorCare in general, please visit <http://gatorcare.org>.

Beginning July 1, 2013, newly hired Postdoctoral Associates and Postdoctoral Fellows will be able to complete their GatorCare Options enrollment via the myUFL system. Detailed instructions on how to enroll can be found on the attachment.

Important deadlines:

- New hires must complete enrollment within 60 days of hire.
- Qualifying event changes must be completed within 60 days of the event.
- Open enrollment elections must be completed prior to the end of open enrollment.

If you have questions about enrollment or eligibility, please contact HRS's GA and Post Doc Associate Benefits Office at hrspostdocbenefits@admin.ufl.edu or (352) 392-0003.

- [All Inclusive Guide](#) (.pdf)
- [Information from InfoGator](#) (.pdf)

Please note that GatorCare is not available to Adjunct Post Docs or Adjunct Clinical Post Docs.

Critical Interview Skills at the Next Postdoc Development Workshop

Putting Yourself Out There: Critical Interview Skills for Postdocs

Want to know what it takes to interview well? Give yourself an edge over the competition by improving your interview skills by coming to the next Postdoc Development Workshop. Teri Balser, Dean of the College of Agricultural & Life Sciences and Monica Rosier, Associate Director for Career Development at the UF Career Resource Center, will help postdocs with critical interview skills.

Thursday, December 12, 2013

1:00-3:00pm

McKnight Brain Institute Conference Room (LG110-A/B)

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LA-VFW funding opportunity for Postdoctoral Cancer Research Fellowship - due 1/15/14

I want to be sure you are aware of an opportunity for funding from the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars (LA-VFW). I would like to know if you or any of your colleagues choose to pursue an application, and would be happy to help with it. Please also forward this note to anyone else who might be interested.

[Postdoctoral Cancer Research Fellowship](#)

The Ladies Auxiliary VFW presents a two year \$100,000 Postdoctoral cancer Research Fellowship. This provides an opportunity for researchers to devote two years, full-time to making new discoveries about cancer. United States universities, hospitals and other institutions are invited to nominate ONE individual researcher who meets the following eligibility criteria below.

- Must be a U.S. citizen.
- Must be nominated by the person who will be supervising the lab in which the researcher will be working.
- Must be qualified in a specific cancer-related specialty and proposed research project must be cancer-related.
- Candidate must have a doctoral degree by July 1, 2014.
- Proposed research must be the principal professional responsibility of the recipient during the stated period of the fellowship.

For further details please visit [Fellowship Announcement](#)

Interested participants should submit an [internal Letter of Intent \(LOI; click here for guidelines\)](#) to Dr. Wingard (wingajr@ufl.edu), and a copy to Wendy Malorzo (wmalorzo@ufl.edu), by Jan 15, 2014 for internal coordination.

Fellowship funds are to be used as a salary by the researcher. Fellowships are not renewable.

Proposals must be received by The Ladies Auxiliary VFW by March 1, 2014

Please let me know if I or my colleagues can help you with the application.

Margaret Friend

Director of Development, UF Health Office of Development

Submitted by Margaret Friend, UF Health Office of Development

Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America Foundation (PhRMA) - funding opportunities due 2/1/14

We wanted to be sure you are aware of an these opportunities for funding from the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America Foundation (PhRMA). I would like to know if you or any of your colleagues choose to pursue an application, and would be happy to help with it. Please also forward this note to anyone else who might be interested.

Over the past 48 years, the PhRMA Foundation has helped thousands of scientists advance their careers and has inspired new generations to enter biopharmaceutical research. The early-career support provided by the PhRMA Foundation has been a catalyst for our scientists to become leaders in their organizations and fields. Our programs help build a larger pool of highly-trained researchers to meet the growing needs of academic institutions, the government and the research-intensive pharmaceutical industry.

The PhRMA Foundation funds scientists at critical points in their research careers to support and reward innovation in disciplines essential to the development of safe and effective medicines. The PhRMA Foundation offers competitive pre and post-doctoral fellowships, sabbatical fellowships, and research starter grants to advance science in pharmacology, toxicology, informatics, pharmaceuticals, and health outcomes. The Foundation also offers a Comparative Effectiveness Research Center of Excellence Award.

PhRMA Foundation award recipients will continue to play an instrumental role in substantial achievements in medicine for the benefit of public health and ultimately the patient.

Adherence Intervention Evaluation Award

The adherence evaluation grant offers funding for research focused on improving medication adherence. The purpose of this initiative is to fund research that will advance knowledge of innovative and effective approaches to improve medication adherence in community and clinical settings. The scope and duration of the proposed research is expected to vary depending on the study design, intervention to be evaluated and health care system involved. The size of the awards is expected to be \$100,000 to \$150,000 over 18 months.

For more information use the link above or contact Samantha Dougherty at sdougherty@phrma.org This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it with questions.

Application Deadline: February 1, 2014. For more information, click [here](#).

They are also accepting applications for our Clinical Pharmacology, Health Outcomes and Translational Medicine and Therapeutics Programs. The deadline date for these programs is February 1, 2014. For more information, visit: <http://www.phrmafoundation.org/>

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Reminder: University of Florida Postdocs on Facebook and LinkedIn

Join this [Facebook group](#) for University of Florida postdocs as well as the LinkedIn

group: http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Gainesville-Postdocs-4479251?trk=myg_ugrp_ovr%20

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Reminder: FREE Affiliate NPA Membership

If you did not receive your invitation to join the National Postdoctoral Association or if your invitation has expired and you need to be sent a refreshed invitation, please [contact Kim Pace](#) to receive an invitation.

[More information.](#)

Submitted by Kim Pace, Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Reminder: Postdoc Info Listserv

Want to receive e-mail prompts prior to postdoc events like the [Postdoc Development Workshops](#) and other postdoc events?

A listserv has been created for postdocs to receive reminders for upcoming postdoc events. Please e-mail Kim Pace (kpace@aa.ufl.edu) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

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