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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.

December 12 Postdoc Development Workshop Materials Available

Workshop materials and video from the December 12 Postdoc Development Workshop on interviewing skills are available here:

The workshop video is available [here](#).

Liz Kazungu's Presentation is available here: [So You Want to Work in Academia...](#) (.pdf)

Teri Balsler's Presentation is available here: [Putting Yourself Forward](#) (.pptx)

American Brain Tumor Association - due noon, January 8

I want to be sure you are aware of an opportunity for funding from the American Brain Tumor Association. 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.

Basic Research Fellowship Program

The Basic Research Fellowship Grants are two-year, \$100,000 grants supporting new and early career scientists entering the field of brain tumor research. The experience provides an opportunity in which young, bright, motivated investigators learn from motivating mentors. To access eligibility requirements, conditions of support and the 2014 ABTA Basic Research Fellowship Application Guide, [click here](#). The 2014 ABTA Basic Research Fellowship applications will be accepted through 12:00 pm, noon (CT), Wednesday, January 8, 2014. Access the ABTA grant portal at www.abtagrants.org.

Medical Student Summer Fellowship Program

The Medical Student Summer Fellowships are \$3,000 stipends grants to current medical students wishing to spend a summer conducting brain tumor research with esteemed scientist-mentors. The intent of this program is to motivate talented medical students to pursue a career in neuro-oncology research. To access the 2014 ABTA Medical Student Summer Fellowship Application Guide, [click here](#). The 2014 ABTA Medical Student Summer Fellowship applications will be accepted through 12:00 pm, noon (CT), Wednesday, January 8, 2014. Access the ABTA grant portal at www.abtagrants.org.

Collaborative Research

ABTA is jointly funding feasibility research, quality of life and clinical studies with several organizations. These include a partnership with the Oncology Nursing Society, American Association of Neurological Surgeons/Congress of Neurological Surgeons Joint Section on Tumors which supports clinical research, two therapeutic treatment clinical trials through a public-private partnership with the National Cancer Institute (NCI), and an international research outreach fellowship through a partnership with EMD Serono and the Society for Neuro-oncology.

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

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Happy Holidays from the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs



A reminder that the University of Florida is closed for the holiday period of December 25, 2013 through January 1, 2014. The first day of spring semester classes is Monday, January 6, 2014.

Wishing you all a joyous holiday season and very happy New Year!

With warmest regards,

Kim Pace, Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

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

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

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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