

# Postdoctoral Update

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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. For further details about GatorCare in general, please visit <http://gatorcare.org>.

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](mailto:hrspostdocbenefits@admin.ufl.edu) or (352) 392-0003.

- [All Inclusive Guide](#) (.pdf)

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

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## Next Postdoc Workshop: March 18

Establishing a strong network has never been more important to securing the job you want. Come to the next Postdoc Development Workshop to learn about what you can do to build and enhance your network of colleagues and contacts to ensure the strongest likelihood for success in your next job search. Join Matthew Cowley from the UF Career Resource Center on **March 18, 4-6pm** in room 451 of the Cancer and Genetics Institute Research Building (CGRC) (<http://www.biotech.ufl.edu/venue/cgrc-room-451-ab/>)

*Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

## March 17 Deadline for Postdoc Research Symposium

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is pleased to announce the second annual Postdoctoral Research Symposium on Monday, April 21 at Emerson Alumni Hall. The event will take place from 8am - 3pm. A schedule for the Symposium is available on the Symposium website: <http://postdoc.aa.ufl.edu/symposium>

The theme for this year's Symposium is "Communicating Your Research". Postdocs in both oral and poster presentations will be judged on how well they can convey their research to lay audiences. Communication Skills is one of the six Core Competencies the National Postdoctoral Association promotes as critical to postdoc success.

UF Postdocs are invited to compete in either the Oral Presentations competition or Poster Presentations competition. All poster presentations will be judged on the day of the Symposium. Oral presentations will be pre-judged, with the top 12 presentations presented and judged on the day of the Symposium.

To submit your abstract and be considered for judging, please register on this site by March 17:  
<https://connect.ufl.edu/aa/Collaboration/PostDoc/Lists/Research%20Symposium/Item/newifs.aspx>

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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](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](mailto:kpace@aa.ufl.edu)) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

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