

Shape Health System of the Future

Jupiter Medical Center and UF Health, the University of Florida's academic health center, announced recently that they have entered into a letter of intent to develop plans to transform health care delivery, research and education in Palm Beach and Martin counties and surrounding communities.

The relationship would advance the organizations' complementary missions of providing the best of academic and community medicine. Together, Jupiter Medical Center and UF Health will plan the development of jointly owned and operated clinical facilities in the region. In addition, discussions are set to begin on the development of novel clinical and hospital programs and service lines, as well as programs and services that support the translation of research findings into treatments that improve patient outcomes.

"We are seeking to expand our impact on the health and well-being of the residents of Palm Beach and Martin counties, bringing additional services to match the needs of patients in the area," said **David R. Nelson, M.D.**, Senior Vice President for Health Affairs at UF and President of UF Health. "As an academic health center, we have assembled multi- and interdisciplinary teams whose focus is on addressing problems and devising solutions that may not be readily available elsewhere. Jupiter Medical Center already has a stellar track record of high-quality care, and together we will take health care to a new level."

The relationship could also open up fast access to a large array of clinical trials and could focus attention not only on addressing individual health needs but also on managing population health. Additionally, this alliance presents an exciting opportunity to engage with other community and academic organizations in the region to maximize the impact of this unique academic collaboration.

"We are excited to collaborate with UF Health, the premier academic health system in Florida, to advance our delivery of world-class health care and provide access to groundbreaking clinical research for our communities and the region," said **Amit Rastogi, M.D., MHCM**, President and CEO of Jupiter Medical Center. "We have a shared vision for innovation that encompasses state-of-the-art facilities, cutting-edge medical technology and the latest breakthroughs in artificial intelligence/data science to bring the highest-quality care in a compassionate manner to each and every patient."

The discussions are the latest in a series of new ventures for UF and UF Health in South Florida. The Florida campus of **Scripps**



Research recently integrated with UF and UF Health as **UF Scripps Biomedical Research**, establishing a scientific powerhouse focused on accelerating the pace of discoveries that benefit patients. And UF also is working with Palm Beach County and the city of West Palm Beach to explore a downtown campus featuring an array of graduate programs in artificial intelligence, financial services and financial technology.

"We are excited to work with Jupiter Medical Center to better understand the needs and wants of the local community and be the best partner we can be to help transform health care in the region," Nelson said.

ABOUT JUPITER MEDICAL CENTER

Top rated in the region for quality, safety and patient experience, Jupiter Medical Center is the leading destination for world-class healthcare in Palm Beach County and across the Treasure Coast. Jupiter Medical Center's state-of-the-art facilities and cutting-edge technologies enable its award-winning physicians to provide a comprehensive continuum of inpatient and outpatient healthcare services. Jupiter Medical Center's specialty centers of excellence include: orthopedics, comprehensive cancer care, cardiovascular care, neurosciences, and women and children's services. For more information about Jupiter Medical Center call 561.263.2200 or visit www.jupitermed.com.

ABOUT UF HEALTH

UF Health is a world-class academic health center that combines leading-edge research at campuses around Florida with outstanding clinical care at a network of hospitals around

the state. The flagship is UF Health Shands Hospital, part of Florida's preeminent health system, with 14 adult and pediatric specialties ranked among the nation's elite by *U.S. News & World Report's Best Hospitals and Best Children's Hospitals* surveys. That's more than any other hospital in Florida.

With main campuses in Gainesville and Jacksonville as well as satellite sites in Central Florida and several other locations, UF Health provides world-class health care to patients across the third-most populous state in the nation. UF Health consists of six health colleges, 10 primary research centers and institutes, 10 hospitals — including two teaching hospitals and five specialty hospitals — and a host of physician medical practices and outpatient services.

The backbone of UF Health is a talented and dedicated workforce of more than 30,000 people who provide lifesaving care and research breakthroughs for more than 3 million patients who come to UF Health each year from around the U.S. and more than 25 countries.

UF Health is committed to improving lives and health through a variety of community-based programs and activities. Annually, UF Health contributes more than \$4.6 billion to Florida's overall economy.

Our mission is to promote health through outstanding and high-quality patient care, innovative and rigorous education in the health professions and biomedical sciences, and high-impact research across the spectrum of basic, translational and clinical investigation. Visit www.UFHealth.org to learn more.