

This month's events, news and highlights for
Pasco and Hernando counties' businesses and job seekers.



Monthly Digest: July 2021

CareerSource Pasco Hernando News, Events and Highlights

CareerSource Pasco Hernando Unemployment Stats

Pasco: 5.6%
Hernando: 6.3%
Florida: 5.7%

(not seasonally adjusted)



Virtual Contacts 169,181

**2,088 Individuals have found Employment as a
Direct Result of CareerSource Pasco Hernando.**

In the News

Working Together Towards a Better Tomorrow!



Lydia Flores' WIOA Success Story

Lydia moved to Florida from New Jersey leaving a secure job in the medical field. After moving here, she was unable to continue in the medical field due to not having Florida certifications, which led to her working in general labor positions for almost 5 years.

Lydia heard about CareerSource Pasco Hernando when she was laid off from her position as a housekeeper from a hospital located in Tampa, and decided it was a good time to get her Florida certifications to get back to the job she loved, which was helping patients. Lydia started her PCT training at MTCI through the WIOA program, and acquired her FL C.N.A. license and her PCT certification. She then decided to continue towards her Medical Assistant certification.

While finishing her training, Lydia worked as a Home Health aide part time where she then found employment with DaVita Dialysis as a PCT, working full time at \$15/hr with an option to receive further training as a Dialysis technician after 6 months.

Lydia expressed how she loves her new job, and that she would never been able to get this far without the help of the WIOA program, and CareerSource Pasco Hernando helping her with her Unemployment claims and job search leads.

We wish you the best in your future, Lydia!

New Live Online FREE Google Workshop

August 27, 2021
9:00am - 11:00am



Google Apps are a commonly used and FREE option to Microsoft Office. In this class, we will talk about Google Chrome, Google Mail and Google Calendar. We will also show you a brief overview of Google Drive, Docs, Sheets & Slides as well as resume templates using Google Docs.

Come with your Google email address and password to get into your Google account. If you do not have that information, you can still follow along.

If you want to know more ways to “Google It”, this class is for you!

If you have your own laptop with MS Office 2016 or 2019 and Windows 10, you are welcome to use it during the workshop. These workshops are for those familiar with basic computer skills

All workshops are now live online and instructor-led via Zoom video conferencing. For those wishing for a hands on experience vs. presentation style, you will need a computer (Windows PC laptop or desktop), A second monitor (your smart TV will work) and a connection cable between your monitor and computer (unless you can Bluetooth them). If you need help getting connected and navigating multiple displays, log in at 8:30am to the Zoom meeting.

The link to login will be emailed to you the day prior and we will help you.

If you do not have the equipment, no worries, you can still watch along with us and learn lots of great things as well.

Class start time is promptly at 9:00am and runs approximately 2 hours.

Please click on this link prior to your first online workshop for a brief tutorial on how to navigate Zoom live online video conferencing.

<http://web5.lib.pacificu.edu/zoom/students/>

[For More Information about
Google Workshop Click Here!](#)

Service Spotlight

Employers - Let Us Help You!



Help is here

Looking for that special talent for a new position?

Look no further, our Talent Marketplace is designed to help you find and recruit the right talent.

[For More Information about Internship Opportunities Click Here!](#)

In the News

The efforts of the CareerSource Florida network to help Floridians during this challenging time have been featured across the state including:

Florida Politics: [“Soft skills’ in demand as employers fight for workers](#)

WTXL: [CareerSource North Florida Helping Fill Jobs](#)

Spectrum Bay News 9: [Lots of Summer Jobs Available for Young Adults in Hillsborough, CareerSource Says](#)

Ocala News: [CareerSource Citrus, Levy and Marion Allow In-Person Workshops](#)

WJCT: [Job Seekers Facing Unemployment Benefit Cuts Encouraged to Act Now](#)

Articles of Interest

This section features workforce-related articles that may be of interest to you and your team and/or stakeholders.

CNN: [Economies in These States are Actually Stronger Than They Were Before Covid](#)

FOX 13: [Florida Restaurant Industry Prepares for Workforce Return](#)

Forbes: [As Businesses Prepare for the Future of Work, the Need to Upskill and Reskill Workers Becomes More Essential](#)

Spectrum News 13: [With Workers in Demand, Many are ‘Upskilling’ to New Careers](#)

NPR: [Hiring Picked Up Last Month, but the Economy Still Needs More Workers](#)

Entrepreneur: [How Post-Pandemic Business Trends Will Shape the World](#)

Spectrum News 13: [U.S. Seeing a Spike in the Number of Teens in the Workforce, Data Shows](#)

Blog Highlight



Florida Prepares for Health Care Industry's Talent Needs

HERE ARE THE SKILLS AND PROFESSIONS MOST IN DEMAND

The health care and life sciences industry represents a major opportunity for Florida employers and career seekers at every level.

Florida is expected to [gain 6 million residents by 2030](#), which means the state must add 2 million jobs to remain at 5 percent unemployment. State leaders have identified health care and life sciences as a target industry with potential for high-wage jobs and overall economic impact, but the industry is evolving.

Technological advances, patient expectations and medical research have increased demand for specialized workers. [Career seekers](#) must also demonstrate proficiency in communication, customer service, organization and critical thinking.

CareerSource Pasco Hernando is leading the way in this landscape by anticipating the needs of both [employers](#) and employees.

As a starter for our discussion, here is a snapshot of the health care and life sciences industry and its talent demands based on the [Florida Jobs 2030](#) report by the Florida Chamber of Commerce.

[The basics](#)

The health care and life sciences industry represents 8.4 percent of Florida's gross state product and about 810,000 jobs. The number of jobs is expected to grow by 9 percent through 2021.

Health care anchors this industry with the state's 700+ hospitals and other health care facilities. The sector also includes medical device manufacturing, pharmaceutical manufacturing and biotechnology.

Educational demands

Of the state's target industries, health care and life sciences has the highest number of occupations that require a postsecondary degree or credential (66 percent). Biotechnology, for example, is projected to grow by 25 percent in Florida with most of the increase in occupations that require a bachelor's degree. Nurses with bachelor's degrees also will be needed to serve the state's large and aging population.

Entry-level and medium-level employees will be in demand in supporting roles as:

- Medical assistants,
- Medical secretaries,
- Billing and posting clerks and
- Medical records and health information technicians.

Within pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturing, there are expected opportunities for:

- Machinists,
- Industrial Machinery Mechanics,
- Dental laboratory assistants and

Identified gaps

The occupations with the highest projected gaps between supply and demand in the next eight years include:

- Physical therapists,
- Medical and clinical laboratory technologists,
- Billing and posting clerks,
- Health technologists and technicians and
- Dental hygienists

Note that the majority of the occupations are not in direct patient care roles.

Talent pipeline

One of the challenges in developing talent for the future will be encouraging more students to consider occupations in demand through career counseling and awareness. But companies also have opportunities to help current employees advance through [employer-led training and credentialing](#).

[Internships](#), which benefit both the employer and career seeker, have long been a source of talent within the health care and life sciences industry.

Geography

Miami and Tampa have the largest number of jobs in health care and life sciences, but the areas with the greatest projected job growth over the next five years are: The Villages (24 percent), Ocala (15 percent) and Okeechobee (15 percent), with the retirement-age population driving much of the increase. The Gainesville area, meanwhile, is an identified growth locale for medical device companies.

With a wide range of jobs available, health care and life sciences will be an important industry within Florida for many years to come. At CareerSource Pasco Hernando, we stand ready to assist employers and career seekers.

Please [contact us today](#) and let us know how we can help you.

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