

Division Chief, Pediatric Nephrology

On behalf of the Department of Pediatrics at UF Health in Gainesville, FL CareerPhysician, the nation's premier leader in academic child health executive search and leadership development, invites applications and nominations for a dynamic and visionary leader to serve as the next Division Chief of Pediatric Nephrology. This presents a rare opportunity to not only provide transformative leadership to an established, mission-driven clinical division but also to collaborate with a progressive and innovative leadership team to expand the reputation and stature of the division and faculty. The selected leader will be charged with creating a strategy to account for the expansion of high-quality clinical services throughout north Florida, while simultaneously enhancing division training, research, and scholarship initiatives.

Opportunities and Highlights:

- The division has a reputation for outstanding clinical care, including a nationally ranked kidney transplant program. Home to two physician-faculty, the department's vision supports a division of 6 faculty including the Division Chief to meet the demand of patient and families in North Central Florida, Georgia and Alabama.
- The primary objectives for the incoming Chief are three: 1) Evaluate the efficiency within the division pertinent to clinical care and develop a strategy for innovative models of care. 2) Recruit talented physicians and APP faculty to further the clinical reach in Ocala and Tallahassee, where UF Health has presence and patient loyalty. 3) Develop a vision for research and education for fellows and faculty, leveraging UF's adult division and commitment to innovation.
- The selected leader will play a pivotal role in collaborating with departmental leadership and adult divisions to develop clinical research and academic programs, while also fostering an environment of mentorship to grow careers of faculty and staff.

- The division is home to an ACGME fellowship program, offering four fellowship slots. The program successfully filled all spots in 2024 and 2025 creating a pipeline of talent for future faculty appointments.
- The division benefits from outstanding administrative support and superb reporting tools to equip the Chief with critical data necessary to assess efficiency, leakage, performance, etc., so that effective strategies can be developed and necessary resources advocated for to advance care for kids as well as faculty performance and satisfaction.
- Gainesville is a prototypical charming college town, with a reasonable cost of living. The University of Florida is the primary employer and provides exceptional research and educational resources for collaboration. The University has invested heavily in artificial intelligence and has immense resources in this area. The University also provides exceptional access to arts and athletic events.
- The selected Chief should possess an interest and ability to develop strong, collaborative culture and support faculty in their growth and development. Additionally, strong skills in clinical operations and innovative models for care and experience in creating cultivating scholarly production advancing the national reputation of the division.

Invested in Innovation

The University of Florida (UF) is a premier AI-focused institution, offering world-class infrastructure and university-wide academic integrations. Its core artificial intelligence resources include: **HiPerGator Supercomputer:** UF hosts the fourth-generation HiPerGator AI supercomputer, the fastest AI supercomputer in academia globally. It features hundreds of NVIDIA Blackwell (B200) GPUs and is extensively used for both grant-funded research and student projects. **NaviGator Toolkit & Chat:** A secured, locally deployed generative AI environment. It grants UF faculty, students, and staff access to over 40 different Large Language Models (LLMs) with full privacy compliance for sensitive datasets. **Academic Programs & Certificates:** UF offers over 200 AI-designated courses across all 16 colleges. Students can earn a 9-credit university-wide AI certificate or participate in discipline-specific learning pathways like the AI Medallion. **AI Squared (AI²) Center:** This hub coordinates multidisciplinary teaching, offers faculty support for new AI courses, and hosts student events like "AI Days".

Should you have interest in discussing the role, please forward your curriculum vitae to Mark Lozano, Executive Vice President, CareerPhysician, LLC, c/o Luke Millican, Luke@careerphysician.com, to schedule a convenient time for a confidential conversation. The Search Committee will require a CV and Cover Letter stating qualifications and reasons for interest in the role.

All interactions will remain confidential, and no inquiries will be made without the consent of the applicant.

Living in Gainesville, FL

Exceptional Educational Ecosystem

Gainesville is anchored by the University of Florida, one of the nation's top public universities, which elevates the entire region's educational environment. Families benefit from:

- Highly rated public and magnet schools supported by UF partnerships.
- Robust gifted, STEM, and arts programs.
- Access to UF's cultural and academic resources, including museums, libraries, and youth enrichment programs.

This university-driven ecosystem creates a community that values learning, innovation, and child development.

Strong Healthcare Access

As home to UF Health and a broad network of pediatric and specialty services, Gainesville provides:

- Comprehensive pediatric care.
- Advanced subspecialty services.
- A strong emphasis on research, innovation, and family-centered care.

This is a major advantage for families prioritizing high-quality, accessible healthcare.

Abundant Outdoor Recreation & Natural Beauty

Gainesville is known for its lush environment and year-round outdoor lifestyle. Families enjoy:

- Miles of trails for biking, hiking, and running.
- Springs, lakes, and state parks ideal for swimming, kayaking, and weekend adventures.
- Family-friendly attractions such as the Florida Museum of Natural History and Butterfly Rainforest.

The city's commitment to green spaces supports a healthy, active lifestyle for children and adults.

Affordable, Family-Friendly Neighborhoods

Compared to major metropolitan areas, Gainesville offers:

- More attainable home prices.
- Safe, well-established neighborhoods.
- A range of housing options—from historic districts to new suburban developments.

This affordability allows families to enjoy more space, better amenities, and a higher overall quality of life.

Rich Arts, Culture, and Community Life

Gainesville blends small-city warmth with big-city cultural offerings:

- Performing arts venues, concerts, and festivals.
- Local theaters, galleries, and community arts programs.
- A vibrant food scene with local restaurants, farmers markets, and family-friendly events.