MANAGING HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS

Health administrators are health care professionals who play an important role in managing public health systems, health care systems and hospital networks. They are typically responsible for budgeting, accounting, human resources, marketing and training. Health administrators ensure that health care facilities and health systems are running smoothly so that the highest quality of health care can be delivered.

HEALTH ADMINISTRATION AT UCF

UCF offers a Master of Health Administration. The program offers all of its courses at night, to accommodate professionals with busy schedules during the day.

Curriculum

The 51-credit hour Master of Health Administration emphasizes leadership in career progression, as well as strategic and operational management and development of health care organizations. Students can enroll in the program on a full-time or part-time basis, completing the degree in two to three-and-a-half years.

Faculty

The program’s faculty members have expertise in health policy, health care leadership, international health systems, long-term quality care and information management.
Graduate Program in Health Administration

WHERE GRADUATES WORK:

- Aon Hewitt
- CHI St. Luke’s Health - The Woodlands Hospital (Texas)
- Children’s National Health System (Washington, D.C.)
- Florida Agency for Health Care Administration
- Florida Hospital
- Geisinger Health System (Pennsylvania)
- Harbor Oaks Elderly Care Home
- Hispanic Family Counseling Inc.
- Integrative Physical Medicine
- Northwell Health (New York)
- Opis Senior Services Group
- Orlando Health
- Palm Bay Hospital
- University Behavioral Center
- University Healthcare Alliance (Stanford Health) (California)
- U.S. Air Force Medical Service Corp
- U.S. Navy
- WellCare Health Plans

WHERE CAN I GET A JOB?

Career opportunities for health administrators are vastly diverse. While many work in a hospital setting, many more are often employed by other types of health care facilities and organizations, including nursing homes and assisted living facilities, ambulatory surgical centers, birthing centers, physician group practices, public health centers, and free-standing clinics.

Health administrators may also find opportunities at state and county health departments as well as at organizations that do business with health care facilities, such as insurance companies, software companies, pharmaceutical companies, and research and development firms.

POSSIBLE JOB TITLES:

- President/Chief executive officer
- Manager of finance and accounting
- Director of patient care services
- Project manager
- Director of operations
- Senior business analyst
- Public health director
- Nursing home administrator
- Hospital administrator
- Head of human resources
- Health care consultant
- Financial analyst

DID YOU KNOW?

Employment of medical and health services managers is projected to grow 17 percent from 2014 to 2024, much faster than the average for all occupations, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.