



## Monthly Digest July 2022

### *CareerSource Pasco Hernando News, Events and Highlights*

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#### CareerSource Pasco Hernando Unemployment Stats

**Pasco: 3.1%**  
**Hernando: 3.7%**  
**Florida: 2.9%**

*(not seasonally adjusted)*



**Virtual Contacts 79,832**

*(Jul. 1, 2021 – Apr. 30, 2022)*

**1,369 Individuals have found Employment as a  
Direct Result of CareerSource Pasco Hernando.**

*(Jul. 1, 2021 – Apr. 30, 2022)*

**Business Served 7,328**

*(Jul. 1, 2021 – Apr. 30, 2022)*

**Ask How We Can Help You Find Employment Today!**

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or call (813)377-1300**

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## In the News

### **Workforce Connects provides Workforce Updates for Pasco Employers!**



## **CONNECT with your future!**

[WorkforceCONNECT](#) partnered with the Duke Energy Foundation to create a video series highlighting careers at four local businesses to share with young adults in hopes of inspiring them to pursue their passions in Pasco County. Watch the video below to learn about careers that are hiring right here in Pasco County!

## **Upcoming Events**

### **New! Live Online FREE Word Workshop**

**August 26, 2022  
9:00am - 11:00am**



This workshop will introduce you to formatting and using Microsoft Word properly.

Whether for personal or business use, this class will help you understand how Word works and how to fix unwanted mistakes. Word offers many features and functions that allow you to create and format documents such as resumes, templates, letters and more!

*Word is also an integral part of any office environment today, don't miss out!*

Class is first come first serve and seating is limited.  
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 9am 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/>

We look forward to seeing!

Click Here to  
Register!

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## Service Spotlight



*Employers - Let Us Help You!*

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!](#)

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## Articles of Interest

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

Channel 8 News: [Gov. DeSantis announces launch of Florida Public Service Workforce Training Program](#)

DEO Press Release: [The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Announces Availability of Historic Funding for Rural Communities](#)

ABC Action News: [USF Expands Hospitality and Tourism Program to Meet Booming Industry Demand](#)

ABC Action News: [There are Twice the Number of Job Openings](#)

DEO Press Release: [Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Submits Strategic Plan for Broadband](#)

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## 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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