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### **UCF College of Medicine/HCA GME Consortium Announces Newest Residency Program**

A new Emergency Medicine Residency Program, based at North Florida Regional Medical Center in Gainesville, FL has received initial accreditation and is seeking immediate applicants.

The program is part of a UCF College of Medicine-Hospital Corporation of America consortium seeking to add 600 residency slots to Florida by 2020.

The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medicine Education (ACGME) approved the program for a total of 24 residents who will train for three years. The program will be directed by Dr. Robyn Hoelle, graduate of the University of Florida College of Medicine, who completed her residency at MCP/Hahnemann in Philadelphia, PA.

This program is designed to provide a comprehensive educational experience that includes patient care, research, community service and leadership. Residents will work collaboratively with both private physician practices and hospital clinical services.

“Educating tomorrow’s physicians is a key priority for HCA’s North Florida Division, and as the nation’s leading hospital network, we are proud to dedicate our resources and expertise to the task,” said Joel Jeffries, M.D., vice president of graduate medical education. “Together with UCF, we are committed to providing our residents with an exceptional training and mentorship experience at North Florida Regional Medical Center.”

The North Florida Emergency Medicine residency is the 11<sup>th</sup> accredited program created by UCF and HCA in the past two years. The consortium also began its first fellowship – in endocrinology – at HCA’s Osceola Regional Medical Center this year. UCF and HCA are also partnering to build a hospital at the medical school’s Lake Nona campus.

“Residency programs are part of the promise we made to this community,” said Dr. Deborah German, UCF vice president for medical affairs and founding dean of the College of Medicine. “If we have more residencies, we’ll have more trained doctors in our community. We’ll become a net importer of medical talent.”

North Florida Regional Medical Center is a 432-bed, full-service medical and surgical acute care center and one of the nation’s top performing hospitals on key quality measures as recognized by the Joint Commission. It is an accredited Chest Pain Center and a Blue Distinction™ Center for Knee and Hip Replacement, Spine Surgery and Bariatric Surgery.

Its new Emergency Medicine Residency Program is seeking immediate applicants for the 2017-2018 year. The program has eight positions available. Qualified applicants will be selected for residency interviews.

To learn more about the program, please visit [www.northfloridagme.com](http://www.northfloridagme.com) and contact Kim Watkins, Program Coordinator at [kim.watkins@hcahealthcare.com](mailto:kim.watkins@hcahealthcare.com) or 352-333-5168.