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Due to UF Health’s COVID-19 response, our office has been mobilized to provide special support. As such, routine requests may experience a delay in their completion. Please bear with us as we prioritize system requests during this unprecedented time.

Support for Apollo websites is coming to an end

Active support for Apollo 1 websites will be coming to a close at the end of this year. Released over 10 years ago, Apollo 1 was a huge improvement for many websites at UF Health. But, all good things must
come to an end. The aging code base requires too many resources to maintain, and with Apollo 2.0 being almost 2 years old now, it is time to sunset those older websites. To ensure proper functioning of your Apollo 1.0 website and support, it’s best to begin migrating to the Apollo 2 theme this year. You can learn more about the Apollo 2 theme’s features, or to schedule a migration please click here. We are also available to answer your questions via email at webservices@ahc.ufl.edu.

Request Migration to Apollo 2

WordPress Dropping Support for Internet Explorer (IE) 11 by the end of the year

For loyal Internet Explorer users, it’s time to switch to another browser such as Chrome, Edge, Firefox, or Safari. These browsers are more popular browsers with regular updates that work in coordination with other groups to follow a standard of browsing that allows for a similar experience between them. IE has been an outsider in this regard for a long time. So, this is an early warning for anyone that considers IE to be their “go-to” browser. It’s time to switch.
Support for Flash (.swf) files have ended

Flash files using the extension .swf no longer work on any current browser. As such, it’s important to update the content using Flash on your site to a new format, of your choosing, so that your visitors can continue to view the content. Adobe, the company that developed and supported the Flash software, ceased development on the product as of Dec 30, 2020 and the major browsers followed suit. We suggest pulling your unit’ IT team for help deciding on the proper alternative for moving content to a new product, and Web Services is available to help with questions at webservices@ahc.ufl.edu.

Update: TablePress Table Data is Searchable!

In March 2021, it was brought to our attention that the information contained within tables created in TablePress was not coming up in the website’s search results. We were able to address this issue quickly and have made the update to all Apollo 2 websites.

Update your tables to the Table block!

The Table block offers similar options to the TablePress plugin for adding content to it using a CSV file. We suggest utilizing the Table block for your website needs rather than a plugin created by a third party. If you haven’t given the Table block a try, it’s a good time to try it out!

Try out some of the features, such as:

• Data importing from a CSV file.
• Interactive table with a search bar and sorting functions.
• Easy editing of columns and rows.
• Keyboard controls similar to using Microsoft Excel, such as Tabbing through the cells.

Industry Tip

Layer-Cake Pattern of Scanning

When headings and subheadings visually stand out on the page and are descriptive, users engage in an efficient scanning pattern that allows them to quickly find the information that they need.

Read the Article
Quote block for Block Quotes added to Apollo 2 websites

The Quote block will help you pull out a quote as a blockquote. The block allows for you to add the quoted text and cite the person in the line below.

Learn about the Quote block