

UF HEALTH WEB SERVICES NEWSLETTER

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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.



Web Services welcomes Haley Mathis!

Hayley Mathis has recently joined the Web Services team as the new Web Content Coordinator. In this role, Hayley will focus on content curation for UFHealth.org and will work with our various website administrators for our academic Apollo-themed websites.

Hayley has been obsessed with content since she was in elementary school. Initially, she wanted to write books for children, but she found a love for print media when she was accepted into the College of Journalism and Communications at the University of Florida. After working at several newspapers and magazines throughout college and briefly after graduation, Hayley took on the position of vertical manager at a local online marketing company, where she honed her writing and editing skills and began her journey into SEO. Her strengths lie in content and webpage optimization, content strategy and promotion, project management and branding.

When she's not neck-deep in content, Hayley loves to travel, spend time with her loved ones, watch movies, cook, listen to music and watch Gator football games.



Support for Apollo websites ends November 30, 2021

Active support for Apollo 1.0 websites will be ending on November 30, 2021. Released over 10 years ago, Apollo 1.0 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. The Apollo 2.0 template provides a modern web experience. [Visit our site to learn more and schedule your migration](#). We are also available to answer your questions via email at webservices@ahc.ufl.edu.

[Request Migration to Apollo 2](#)

WordPress update to version 5.8: Return of the Widgets!

In the next update to your Apollo 2 WordPress website, you may notice something old is new again.

Widgets!

Widgets are back and will be used to create areas in your site's footer to add information at the bottom of the site. Luckily, we are here to guide you through the update!

[Learn about Widgets for Apollo 2](#)

Another change to mention in this coming update is:

Dropping support for Internet Explorer

Support for Internet Explorer 11 has been dropped as of this release. This means you may have issues managing your site that will not be fixed in the future.

Why we don't encourage opening links in new tabs

Opening a link in a new tab can be helpful for some visitors and create a problem for others. Some visitors on mobile would need to be aware of how to access other tabs within their mobile browser to get back to the webpage, and others may have many other tabs/windows open on their desktop/laptop. Some visitors can become quickly overwhelmed and frustrated by these issues, then just give up trying to go back to the site all together. In an effort to help visitors find their way back to our sites, we don't make this behavior a feature through our blocks.

[Learn more about the research findings in this area of user experience.](#)

Accessibility is good for everyone

Accessibility involves a range of disabilities, including: visual, auditory, physical, speech, cognitive, language, learning, and neurological disabilities. Although guidelines cover a wide range of issues, may not address the needs of people with all types, degrees, and combinations of disability. The guidelines also make Web content more usable by older individuals with changing abilities due to aging and often improve usability for users in general.

- [UF Health Accessibility Policy](#)
- [Web Content Accessibility Guide](#)
- [UF Accessibility Recommendations and Training](#)

Reminder: Time to review your Users list

If you are an Administrator for your site, please take some time to view the list of users and let Web Services know if any users need to be changed. To view the list, click on "Users" in the Dashboard's navigation menu. Please send the names or email addresses for users that should be removed to webservices@ahc.ufl.edu.

Note: "Subscribers" are users that have just logged in to the site with a valid Gatorlink account, but they aren't able to update the site content or view the Dashboard menu. It's a default role and not one in which any editing capabilities have been given.



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