Component Units of Florida Atlantic University

The University’s direct-support organizations are considered component units of Florida Atlantic University. These legally separate, not-for-profit corporations are organized and operated exclusively to assist the University to achieve excellence by providing supplemental resources from private gifts and bequests, valuable education support services, and are governed by separate boards. The Statutes authorize these organizations to receive, hold, invest, and administer property and to make expenditures to or for the benefit of the University.

These component units include:

**Blended Component Unit**
- Florida Atlantic University College of Medicine Self-Insurance Program

**Discretely Presented Component Units**
- Florida Atlantic University Foundation, Inc.
- Florida Atlantic University Research Corporation, Inc.
- Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute Foundation, Inc.
- FAU Finance Corporation
- FAU Clinical Practice Organization, Inc.

**Financial Statements of Component Units:**
https://www.fau.edu/controllers-office/general-accounting/financial-statements/

These organizations and their purposes are explained as follows:

**Florida Atlantic University Foundation, Inc. (FAU Foundation)**
https://fauf.fau.edu/

FAU Foundation is a separate corporation operating independently from the University and, as such, receives and administers most private support for the University. Any person or organization contributing money, stock, or any other item to be used in support of the general or specific support of the University usually does so through the offices of the FAU Foundation.

**Florida Atlantic University Research Corporation, Inc. (Research Corporation)**
https://www.fau.edu/research/research-corporation/

Research Corporation was established by Florida Atlantic University in 1990. It has been organized to promote and encourage, and to provide assistance to, the research activities of the University’s faculty, staff, and students. The Research
Corporation has been granted rights and responsibilities for the development, protection, and commercial application of defined and selected intellectual property. In consideration of its efforts, the Research Corporation is entitled to a portion of the royalties, license fees, or other revenue for the benefit of the University. The Research Corporation also accepts and administers contracts and grants from private industry, foundations, and other agencies whenever it is required by the granting agency, or when it is in the best interest of the University.

**Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute Foundation, Inc. (HBOI Foundation)**

[https://www.fau.edu/hboi/](https://www.fau.edu/hboi/)

HBOI Foundation is a separate corporation operating independently from the University that became a provider of funding and support for the research and education in marine science and ocean engineering to the Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute, a research institute within the University. The HBOI Foundation receives and administers most private support to the Institute as it increases the understanding of oceans and coastal areas through exploration and scientific investigation.

**FAU Finance Corporation (Finance Corporation)**

[https://www.fau.edu/faufc/](https://www.fau.edu/faufc/)

Finance Corporation is a separate corporation operating independently from the University. It has been organized and operated to assist the activities and educational purposes of the University by providing finance and investment-related assistance in connection with the acquisition or construction of capital or other University projects, including but not limited to, the structuring of debt relating thereto.

**FAU Clinical Practice Organization, Inc. (FAU CPO)**

FAU CPO is closely affiliated with the University’s Charles Schmidt College of Medicine, the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing, and other participating colleges and units within the University. The FAU CPO was incorporated on May 3, 2011, as a not-for-profit organization under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. It was established to promote and support medical education, patient care, research, and the administration and distribution of funds exclusively for support of the mission and objectives of the University in accordance with the University’s College of Medicine Faculty Practice Plan and other faculty practice plans, adopted by the University, pursuant to Board of Governors Regulation 9.017.

**The Florida Atlantic University College of Medicine Self-Insurance Program (Program)**

The Program was established pursuant to Section 1004.24, Florida Statutes, on June 23, 2011. The Program provides professional and general liability protection for the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees for claims and actions arising from the clinical activities of the College of Medicine faculty, staff, and resident physicians. Liability protection is afforded to the students at the colleges. The Program provides legislative claims bill protection. The Program is distinct from and entirely independent of the self-insurance programs administered by the State. The University’s College of Medicine Self-Insurance Program (Program), a blended component unit of the University, invested in equity mutual funds and bond mutual funds. Equity mutual fund investments consist of shares in Vanguard International Stock Index Fund and Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Report No. 2022-135 Page 28 March 2022 Fund. Bond mutual fund investments consist of shares owned in Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Fund and Vanguard Intermediate Term Bond Index Fund.