## Division of Health Care Management Hosts 4th Annual Leadership & Networking Reception

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The Division of Health Care Management at Florida A&M University recently held its 4th Annual Leadership & Networking Reception on Thursday, July 10, 2025, an event designed to equip Master of Health Administration (MHA) students with real-world insight and valuable professional connections. This signature event brought together some of the region's most respected healthcare executives for an evening of mentorship, dialogue, and career preparation.

Students had the unique opportunity to engage one-on-one with top leaders from hospitals, health systems, and administrative organizations. Through open networking, they could "pick the brains" of seasoned professionals and gain clarity on the various career paths available within the health administration field.

A highlight of the evening included Mock Interviews, where students practiced their interviewing skills with healthcare executives and received constructive feedback on their resumes and overall presentations. These sessions were followed by a Panel Discussion that featured a selection of interviewers and other special guests. The panelists shared candid insights into leadership, career development, and what it takes to thrive in today's complex healthcare environment.

Notable attendees include Wes Marsh, Executive in Residence for UF Health, and Dale Neely, Chief Executive Officer at HCA Florida Capital Hospital. HCA, the parent organization of Capital Hospital, showed its support for the division with a \$1.5 million gift in 2021. This contribution helped strengthen the connection between the academic and professional healthcare communities.

For MHA students, the reception was not just a networking event but an immersive learning experience. Through conversations, critiques, and connections, students walked away with a clearer vision of their future and the confidence to pursue it.

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