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#### Health Care

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation ranked Leon County eighth in health outcomes among Florida's 67 counties when measuring factors such as healthy habits, life expectancy and access to health care.

The area's health care-related institutions include:

Capital Regional Medical Center, an HCA hospital with 1,140 employees, including 505 physicians; it also operates eight clinics plus a Gadsden County emergency facility. Last year, the center added two floors to its hospital and was named one of the nation's top performers on key quality measures by the Joint Commission, a accreditor of health care organizations.

Dr. Nancy Van Vessem, chief medical officer of Capital Health Plan, talks with Dr. Robert Chapman, an internal medicine consultant.

- Capital Health Plan, recognized among the top health plans among commercial HMOs by the National Committee for Quality Assurance, serves about 126,000 members in seven regional counties, employs 435 and works with 130 primarycare physicians. It was one of the pioneers in developing electronic patient health records that are available to providers throughout its network.
- > Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare is a private, non-profit health care system with a 772-bed acute-care Tallahassee hospital, the eighth-largest hospital in Florida, plus five family medical clinics located in five neighboring counties. TMH has a medical staff of 570 physicians and total employment of 3,500.



Neuroscientist Jacob VanLandingham recently patented a neurosteroid drug and launched a company, Prevacus, at Tallahassee's Innovation Park. VanLandingham, an assistant



VanLandingham

professor at FSU and an adjunct professor at the University of Florida, developed the drug to help prevent and treat concussions. Prevacus now has 10 employees.

Clinical trials, expected to begin next year, will be conducted in Tallahassee, where VanLandingham also is research director for the Memory Disorder Clinic.



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