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Honoring One Class, Welcoming The Next: A Milestone Season for the Brodes H. Hartley, Jr. Teaching Health Center



(from left to right) Drs. Fabian Ogala, Tajudeen Basiru, Omoyeme Edaki, Ferial Lombard, Michelle Shlafshteyn, Mayra Mejia, Anaise Pierre, Kerling Israel, Carol Williams, Mithun Mathew come together for a photo.

The Brodes H. Hartley, Jr. Teaching Health Center marked an important milestone this June as it celebrated the graduation of its 10th residency class while welcoming a new generation of physicians ready to begin their journey.

On the evening of June 6, family, friends, faculty, and colleagues gathered at the Miami Hilton Marriott to celebrate the achievements of 10 graduating residents

who officially completed their training in Family Medicine and Psychiatry. As they crossed the stage, each graduate represented years of dedication and an unwavering commitment to providing compassionate, high-quality healthcare to patients across the country.

Throughout their residency, these physicians devoted countless hours to caring for patients, participating in clinical rotations, attending educational conferences, conducting research, and refining the skills needed to become exceptional healthcare providers. Their graduation marks the beginning of a new chapter as they enter the workforce prepared to improve the lives of individuals and families in communities nationwide.

Established in 2014 as the first Teaching Health Center of its kind in Florida, the Brodes H. Hartley, Jr. Teaching Health Center has become a leader in graduate medical education, preparing physicians to deliver patient-

centered care while addressing the growing need for primary care and psychiatry doctors.

This year's graduating class also continued the program's tradition of excellence on the national stage. Three residents proudly represented and won the national title at MindGames in San Francisco, a prestigious national academic competition hosted by the American Psychiatric Association. The event challenges psychiatry residents from across the country to demonstrate their clinical knowledge and decision-making skills. Their participation showcased the exceptional training, dedication, and academic excellence that define the Teaching Health Center's residency programs.

"Watching this class grow into confident, compassionate physicians has been one of the greatest privileges of my career," said Dr. Elizabeth Philippe, Chief of Family Medicine and Designated Institutional Official. "They have embraced every challenge with determination, cared deeply for their patients, and supported one another along the way. I am incredibly proud of the physicians they have become and have no doubt they will make a lasting impact in the communities they serve."



(from left to right) Family medicine residents Drs. Carol Williams, Kerling Israel, Mithum Mathew and Anaise Pierre smile in pride during their June 6th graduation ceremony.

Passing the White Coat

As one class celebrated the completion of its journey, another prepared to begin.

Later in June, the Teaching Health Center welcomed its newest class of 11 residents during the annual White Coat Ceremony, a time-honored tradition that symbolizes the beginning of a physician's professional journey. Receiving the white coat represents far more than putting on a uniform, it signifies the responsibility, compassion, and trust that comes with caring for patients and serving the communities they have chosen to represent.

Surrounded by family, faculty, and mentors, the incoming residents proudly donned their white coats for the first time, pledging to uphold the highest standards of professionalism, integrity, and patient-centered care as they embark on the next several years of rigorous medical training.

"The White Coat Ceremony represents the beginning of an extraordinary journey," said Dr. Saint Anthony Amofah, Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer. "Each of these residents has chosen a profession rooted in service, compassion, and lifelong learning. We are honored to welcome them and look forward to helping them become the next generation of physicians who will improve the health of communities for years to come."

From celebrating the 10th class of exceptional physicians to welcoming the next class of future healthcare leaders, the Brodes H. Hartley, Jr. Teaching Health Center continues to fulfill its mission of transforming medical education and expanding access to quality healthcare. As one class moves forward into practice and another begins its training, the future of compassionate, community-focused medicine remains brighter than ever.



(from left to right) Drs. Gregory Fignole, Stevens Rodney, Olaniyi Ogundesi, Daniela Loyola, La Bezhaniidze, Ashvany Trinidad Rivera, Patel Arcnna, Teresa Charchar, Michael Henary, Kevin Mochengo, and Ikechukwu Obioha, take their first photo together.

President & CEO Message

As we move through another exciting season at Community Health of South Florida, Inc. (CHI), I am reminded of the incredible impact we can make when we invest in the health and well-being of our communities.

This summer has been filled with meaningful milestones. In June, we proudly celebrated the graduation of our Brodes H. Hartley, Jr. Teaching Health Center residents and welcomed a new class of physicians during our White Coat Ceremony. These dedicated physicians represent the future of healthcare, and we are honored to play a role in preparing them to provide compassionate, high-quality care to the communities that need it most.

August also marks one of our favorite celebrations of the year—National Health Center Week, taking place August 2–8. Throughout the week, we'll recognize the dedicated staff, patients, partners, and supporters who help advance our mission while hosting activities that give back to the communities we proudly serve. We kick off the celebration with School Physical Day, on August 1, providing families with an opportunity to ensure their children are healthy and ready for the new school year.

As South Florida continues to experience extreme summer heat and frequent heat advisories, I encourage everyone to make their health a priority. Staying hydrated, limiting prolonged exposure to the heat, and keeping up with routine healthcare visits are simple but important ways to protect your well-being.

Whether you need a checkup, preventive care, or ongoing medical services, our team is here to help. Schedule an appointment at your nearest CHI health center and take charge of your health today.



Thank you for being part of the CHI family and for helping us build healthier communities together.

Sincerely,

Blake Hall



BACK TO SCHOOL

The new school year is around the corner!



Avoid rushing to book your child's **ANNUAL PHYSICAL** at the last minute. Community Health of South Florida, Inc. (CHI) provides an affordable way to get your child back-to-school ready.

NO NEED TO WAIT!

Book an **appointment at our pediatric locations before August 1st or at the participating locations below**

Doris Ison Health Center

10300 SW 216th Street
Miami, FL 33190

Martin Luther King Jr. Clinica Campesina Health Center

810 West Mowry Drive
Homestead, FL 33030

West Kendall Health Center

13540 SW 135th Ave.
Miami, FL 33186

South Miami Health Center

6350 Sunset Drive
South Miami, FL 33143

Key Largo Health Center

228 Atlantic Blvd
Key Largo, FL 33037

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2026
8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

- Most insurances are accepted
- Evening and weekend hours are available
- Please bring immunization records
- Kids age 4 and up

SCHOOL PHYSICAL

\$25

SPORTS PHYSICALS

\$25 + REQUIRED EKG*

*EKGs are completed by a referred outside provider and charged separately by that provider.

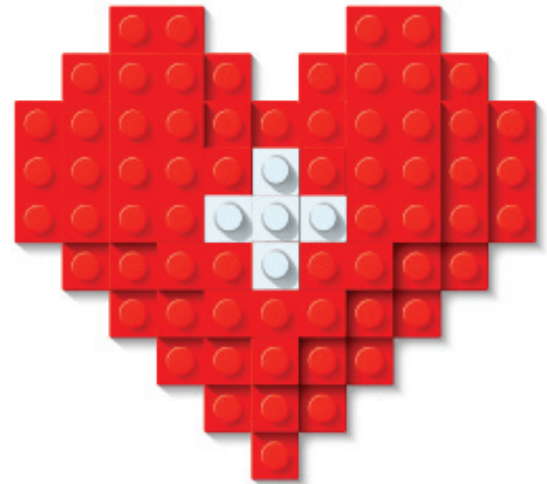
PRICING GOOD FROM JULY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

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Building Innovative Care Where It Matters Most

National Health Center Week at CHI



August 1-8, 2026



At CHI, care that matters means helping those who need it most by providing access to compassionate, affordable healthcare services and programs that support the health and well-being of our community.

National Health Center Week is celebrated August 2-8! This annual observance recognizes the important role community health centers play in expanding access to quality, affordable healthcare and building healthier communities. CHI is proud to join more than 1,400 community health centers across the nation in celebrating the impact of health centers and the patients, employees, and communities they serve.

CHI is celebrating all week long with exciting daily activities recognizing the dedicated individuals, innovative programs, and strong partnerships that make the organization's mission possible. Most importantly, CHI is proud to give back to the communities that it serves.

See the full schedule of activities here:

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Children's Crisis Center Construction Reaches Major Milestone

Construction of CHI's future Children's Crisis Center continues to make significant progress as the building begins to take shape. From SW 216 Street, people can see an exciting milestone, the walls are now going up, marking another important step toward the completion of this transformative project. Following last year's steel signing ceremony, construction has advanced steadily. What once consisted primarily of structural steel is now evolving into a facility that reflects CHI's vision of expanding access to behavioral health services for children and adolescents throughout the community.

The Children's Crisis Center will provide a safe, supportive environment where children and families experiencing behavioral health crises can receive timely, compassionate care. The facility represents CHI's ongoing commitment to addressing the growing need for behavioral health services while improving access to high-quality, patient-centered care for some of South Miami Dade's most vulnerable populations.

As construction continues, each milestone brings CHI one step closer to opening a facility that will have a lasting impact on the lives of children and families for years to come. The community is encouraged to watch the progress as the Children's Crisis Center continues to rise, serving as a visible reminder of CHI's mission to build healthier communities through compassionate, comprehensive care.

The walls of the Children's Crisis Center are now taking shape, CHI continues to move closer to bringing this much-needed resource to the community.

Watch the progress unfold as CHI's new Children's Crisis Center takes shape.

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DENTAL SERVICES NOW AVAILABLE IN KEY LARGO

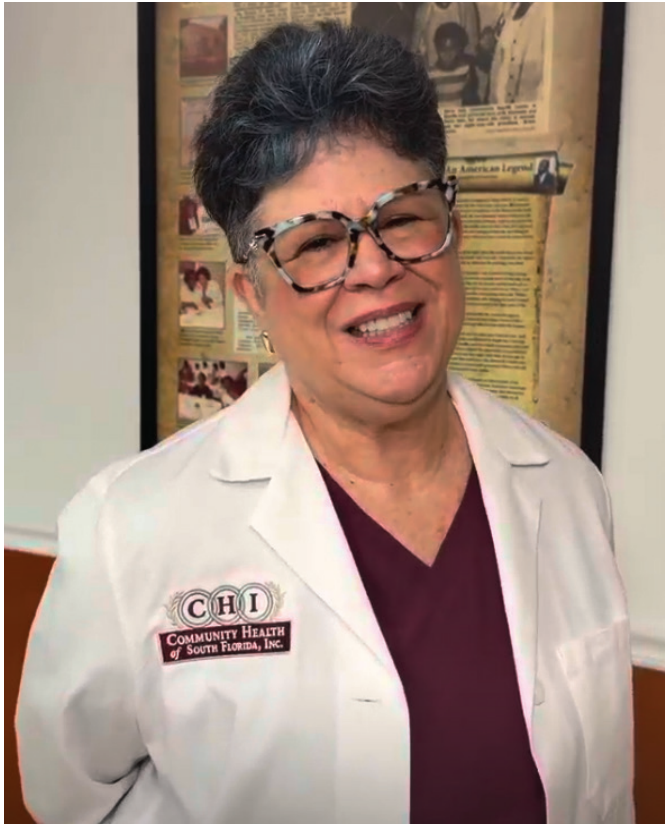
Patients in the Florida Keys can now receive comprehensive dental care at CHI's Key Largo Health Center.

From preventative care to routine dental services, CHI is making it easier for patients to access quality oral healthcare close to home.



Call 786-272-2100 to schedule your appointment today!

Our Compassionate Team Serving You



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