BROWARD COUNTY HEALTH PLAN

Chapter III: Health Resources



2025 BROWARD REGIONAL HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL (BRHPC) 200 Oakwood Blvd Suite #100, Hollywood FL 33020 The Broward County Health Plan is a living document, regularly updated to provide the most current and relevant information. It encompasses a wide range of topics—from labor force statistics to immunization rates—capturing the range of factors that influence public health. The Plan also emphasizes the critical connection between socioeconomic conditions and community health outcomes. To reflect the complexity of Broward County's healthcare landscape, the Health Plan is organized into six chapters, each addressing a key aspect of the local health system:

Chapter I: Regional Profile provides demographic and socioeconomic indicators that shape health status and impact the distribution of health resources—factors that contribute to service utilization and the availability of healthcare financing.

Chapter II: Health Status outlines community health status through six health categories: Maternal and Child Health, Behavioral Health, Environmental and Community Health, Access to Care, Oral Health, and Morbidity and Mortality.

Chapter III: Health Resources provides an overview of the health resources currently available in Broward County, emphasizing the range of services that support the community's healthcare needs.

Chapter IV: Healthcare Utilization provides healthcare utilization data. Broward County's seasonal fluctuations in population and various other factors influence utilization.

Chapter V: Benchmarks sets annual community health priorities, identifies community interventions, and measures progress in attaining health improvements.

Chapter VI: Health Data Warehouse analyzes key Health Indicator modules from the Health Data Warehouse, including: (1) Prevention Quality Indicators and avoidable hospital admissions, (2) inpatient chronic conditions categorized by ICD-9 codes, (3) incidence of suicide, (4) emergency department acuity stratification based on CPT codes, and (5) the NYU Algorithm for identifying preventable or avoidable emergency department admissions.

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Introduction

The Broward Regional Profile, Chapter III, presents a detailed overview of the health resources currently available in Broward County. This includes a breakdown of the healthcare workforce, its distribution, medical training programs, healthcare facilities and quality oversight. Additionally, health professional shortage designations and their impact on Broward County are reviewed.

Healthcare Workforce: Licensed Professionals

The number of physicians relative to the population reflects a healthcare system's capacity in a given area and is measured using the population-to-provider ratio. This ratio helps identify Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs) in need of additional medical support. Below is a review of the medical workforce in Broward County, categorized by major profession types and their population ratios over time. Throughout this section, the data show that the number of physicians and other healthcare professionals in Broward County has increased in recent years.

Physicians

The term 'physician' primarily refers to Medical Doctors (MDs) and Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine (DOs), who are fully trained and licensed to practice medicine (NIH, NCI Definitions, 2025). Statewide, there are 56,769 physicians in the workforce, with 5,117 practicing in Broward County. Physicians may specialize in various fields, and Table 1 summarizes major specialties along with the number of practicing physicians in both Broward County and the state of Florida. Across specialties, Broward accounts for approximately 8–10% of the total number of physicians in the state.

Table 1: Number of Physicians by Specialty, Broward & Florida 2023

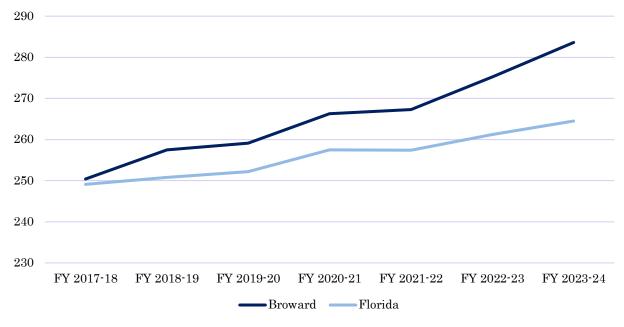
Specialty	#Broward	#FL	Specialty	#Broward	#Florida
Anesthesiology	330	3,387	Otolaryngology	54	723
Dermatology	115	1,129	Pathology	80	926
Emergency Medicine	288	3,507	Pediatrics	431	4,413

Family Medicine	634	8,191	Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation	83	757
Internal Medicine	1,446	15,724	Preventative Medicine	25	299
Medical Genetics	5	55	Proctology	1	1
Neurology	117	1,418	Psychiatry	212	2,420
Nuclear Medicine	4	50	Radiology	244	3,145
OBGYN	282	2,556	Surgery	429	4,300
Ophthalmology	111	1,297	Urology	51	488
Orthopedic Medicine	110	1,152	Other/no Specialty listed	65	831

Source: 2023 Florida Workforce Annual Report

Figure 1 illustrates the rate of MD physicians in Broward County and Florida over the past seven fiscal years. During this period, both Broward and Florida experienced increases in the rate of MD physicians. Broward consistently maintained a higher rate compared to the state overall.

Figure 1: Rate of Medical Doctors (MD) per 100,000 in the population, Broward & Florida Fiscal Years 2017-18 to 2023-24



Source: Florida Health Charts, 2017-2024

Figure 2 illustrates the rate of DO physicians in Broward County and Florida over the past seven fiscal years. During this period, both Broward and Florida experienced increases in the rate of DO physicians. Broward consistently maintained a higher rate compared to the state overall.

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Figure 2: Rate of Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) per 100,000 in the population, Broward & Florida Fiscal Years 2017-18 to 2023-24

Source: Florida Health Charts, 2017-2024

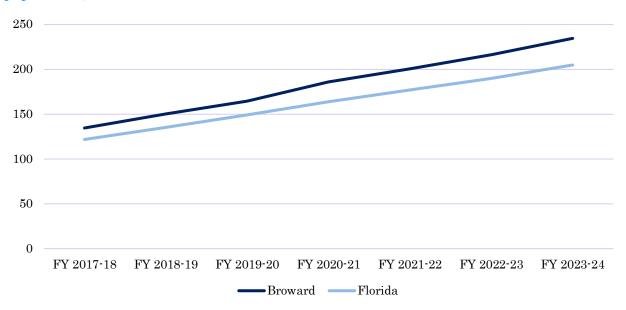
The rate of DO physicians is smaller than that of MDs, as there are fewer DO graduate programs in the U.S. compared to MD schools. In addition to DO and MD physicians, other medical professionals—including Advanced Practice Providers—help expand the healthcare system's capacity to deliver patient care.

Advance Practice Providers

Advanced Practice Providers include both Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) and Physician Assistants (PAs). These medical professionals are not classified as doctors, although they have specialized training and are licensed to diagnose, treat, and manage many common medical conditions (NIH, NCI Dictionaries, 2025). The rate of these providers has increased over the past decade, driven by shifts in healthcare supply and demand. It is estimated that about one-fourth of all U.S. healthcare visits are completed by non-physician providers (Miller, J., Harvard Medical School Research, 2023).

Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) are individuals who have completed additional medical education and training beyond the Registered Nurse (RN) degree. Figure 3 illustrates the rate of APRNs in Broward County and Florida over the past seven fiscal years. During this period, both Broward and Florida experienced increases in the rate of APRNs, with Broward consistently maintaining a higher rate compared to the state overall.

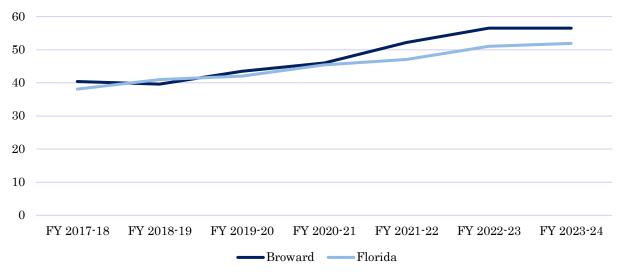
Figure 3: Rate of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) per 100,000 in the population, Broward & Florida Fiscal Years 2017-18 to 2023-24



Source: Florida Health Charts, 2017-2024

Physician Assistants (PAs) are medical professionals who receive specialized medical and educational training by earning a master's degree in physician assistant studies. Similar to APRNs, they are licensed to practice medicine in various healthcare settings. Figure 4 illustrates the rate of PAs in Broward County and Florida over the past seven fiscal years. During this period, both Broward and Florida experienced increases in the rate of PAs.

Figure 4: Rate of Physician Assistants (PA) per 100,000 in the population, Broward & Florida Fiscal Years 2017-18 to 2023-24

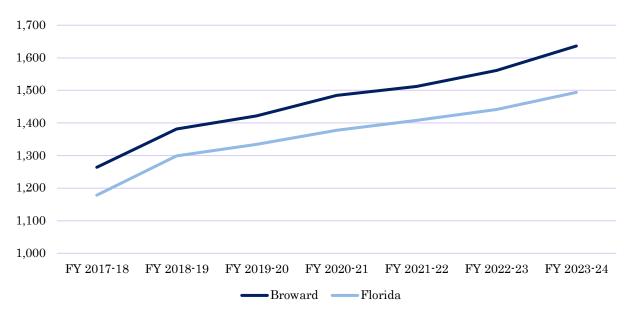


Source: Florida Health Charts, 2017-2024

Nurses

Registered Nurses (RNs), or nurses, perform different roles from those of physicians and Advanced Practice Providers, often working more closely with patients through duties such as providing care and education (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2025). The rate of nurses has increased over the past seven fiscal years, as shown in Figure 5. Throughout this period, Broward County has consistently had a higher rate of nurses compared to the state overall.

Figure 5: Rate of Registered Nurses (RN) per 100,000 in the population, Broward & Florida Fiscal Years 2017-18 to 2023-24



Source: Florida Health Charts, 2017-2024

Health Professional Distribution and Demand

The distribution of medical professionals is not even across Broward County, and the demand for healthcare continues to evolve and increase across the U.S. This section provides an overview of areas in Broward County experiencing confirmed health professional shortages, and a review of the projected healthcare workforce shortage.

Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs)

There are 10 designated Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs) for Primary Care within Broward County, shown in Table 2. These areas were designated based

on an HPSA score calculated from three factors: the patient-to-provider ratio of the area, the travel time for residents to their nearest source of care, and the percentage of the population living below the federal poverty level (FPL). An HPSA score ranging from 0–26 is generated based on these factors, with a higher score indicating a higher need for that area. All Primary Care HPSAs within Broward were classified as low-income HPSAs. An HPSA Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) shortage reflects the number of full-time practitioners needed in the designated HPSA so that the area will achieve its target population-to-provider ratio. Based on these designations, Broward's Primary Care HPSAs need 127 FTE to eliminate the indicated shortage (Table 2).

Table 2: Primary Care Designated HPSAs, Broward County 2024

Primary Care HPSA Name	HPSA Score (0-26)	HPSA FTE Shortage	Update Year
Hallandale/Miramar	13	16.82	2021
Hollywood/Dania Beach	15	13.36	2022
Coral Springs/ Margate	15	17.65	2022
Deerfield Beach	18	9.37	2022
Ft. Lauderdale/Oakland Park	16	26.71	2023
Flamingo Pines	20	2.91	2023
Pompano Beach	18	12.89	2023
Sunrise/Plantation	15	21.41	2023
Eastern Pembroke Pines	15	2.97	2023
Eastern Davie	18	2.59	2023
Total	-	126.68	

Sources: FloridaHealth.gov, 2024; Data.HRSA.gov, 2024

Projected Workforce Shortage

From 2014 to 2023, the number of physicians (MD/DO) providing direct, face-to-face patient care in Broward County grew by 22%, rising from 4,209 to 5,117. Broward has a higher physician-to-population ratio compared to the state of Florida. As of 2022, only 79% of Florida residents reported having a personal doctor (FL Health Charts, 2024; 2023 Physician Workforce Annual Report)

At the national level, there was an estimated shortage of around 37,000 physicians in 2021. This number, according to the AAMC's *Complexities of Physician Supply and Demand* report, was projected to fluctuate with an estimated shortage falling between 13,500 and 86,000 physicians nationwide by 2036 (Figure 6).

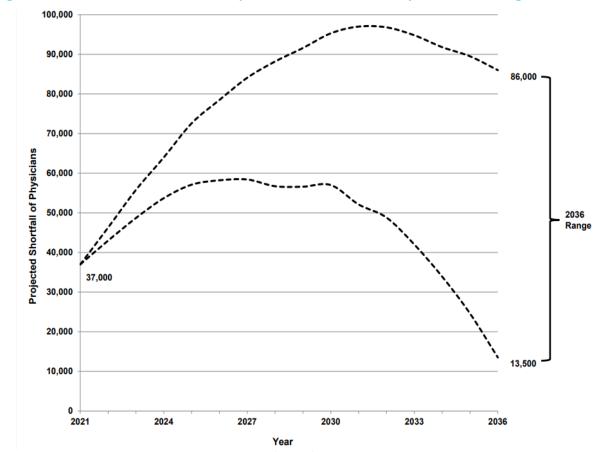


Figure 6: 2021 to 2036 AAMC Projections of National Physician Shortage, 2024

Source: Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) Report 2024

In addition to this projection, the *Florida Nurse Workforce* report projected that Florida would have a shortage of 59,100 nurses and 18,000 physicians by 2035 (FHA, 2024). Although the field of advanced practice providers is relatively new, their roles are expanding within the medical system and help counteract the effect of the physician shortage.

Factors that contribute to the shortage include an aging physician workforce (20% of U.S. physicians were 65 or older), population growth, increasing in demand from an aging population, physician/medical staff burnout, the high cost of medical education, limited medical school and residency seats, and low insurance repayment rates (as seen with Medicare). In general, the effects of a healthcare workforce shortage can be seen with longer wait times for outpatient care, busier emergency departments, low-quality patient care, and physician burnout (*Florida Healthcare Workforce Report*, 2024; "The Hidden Health Crisis: America's Physician Shortage is Slowly Worsening," 2024; AAMC Medical School Applicants and Matriculants Report, 2023; Wu, AHA, 2024; S. Furr, President of AAFP, 2024).

Medical Education & Training Centers

Throughout Broward, there are several large medical centers and colleges where professionals receive education and training for advanced medical positions. These centers increase the number of medical professionals entering the Broward County workforce.

Nova Southeastern University

Nova Southeastern University (NSU) is one of the most well-known medical education centers in the United States, and its main campus is in Broward County, where both Allopathic Medicine (MD) and Osteopathic Medicine (DO) doctorate degrees are offered. In addition to these doctorate programs, NSU offers Physician Assistant programs in four locations throughout the state. Several Nursing programs are offered at NSU as well. Other medical education programs offered at NSU include Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD), Doctor of Optometry (OD), Doctor of Audiology (AuD), therapy programs, occupational therapy, physical therapy, and speech-language pathology programs. NSU's Public Health Program concentrates on training future leaders for community health planning.

Broward College

Broward College has several medical programs, including nursing, physical therapy, dental assisting, radiology training, health information technology, and more. Broward College is recognized as one of the most affordable colleges in Florida.

Florida Atlantic University

Florida Atlantic University (FAU), located in Palm Beach County, is another large medical education center with its own MD program. FAU partners with Broward Health North to provide research and training opportunities for MD students at FAU.

Healthcare Systems & Providers

Throughout Broward County, there are many different systems that work together to provide care throughout the community, reviewed in this section. These systems include the public health system, hospital systems, primary care system, behavioral health system, long-term care system, emergency medical services (EMS), specialty care providers (dental clinics, vision, specialty practices), veterans and military health facilities, academic research and institutions, and retail/on-demand care clinics. The long-term care system is comprised of nursing homes, long-term care hospitals, and hospice care. This section reviews the different systems and providers of healthcare, whereas the next section focuses more specifically on healthcare facilities.

Primary Care System

Primary care is the first point of contact between the healthcare system and individuals seeking medical care. Primary care has several components, including the providers of primary care (i.e. physicians, advanced practice providers), locations, and services (e.g. preventive care screenings, health education, diagnosis & treatment, vaccinations). Broward's primary care system is a comprehensive system that continues to expand to address the changing needs of residents.

The number of physicians per population reflects the healthcare system's capacity in a given area and is measured through the population-to-provider ratio, which helps identify Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs) in need of additional medical support. According to the 2023 *Florida Physician Workforce Annual Report*, of the 8,191 Family Medicine Physicians (MD or DO) in Florida, 634 are located within Broward County, making up 7.7% of the total family physicians practicing in Florida. Broward residents make up 8.7% of Florida's total residents (U.S. Census Bureau, 2023 ACS Estimates).

Figure 7 illustrates the rate of family practice physicians in Broward and Florida over the past ten fiscal years. There was an overall decrease in the rate of primary care providers relative to the population throughout Broward and Florida during this period. A factor that drives changes in this ratio is population change; both Broward and Florida have experienced large increases in population over the last 10 years. Florida has consistently had a higher rate of family practice physicians than Broward over the past 10 years.

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Broward Florida

Figure 7: Family Practice Physicians Rate (per 100,000), Broward & Florida Fiscal years 2013-2014 to 2022-2023

Source: Florida Health Charts. 2013-2023

Although Broward has a smaller rate of family practice physicians relative to the population than Florida, the rate of practicing physicians in all specialties per capita is higher in Broward than in Florida (2023 Florida Workforce Annual Report).

The primary care system in Broward is a collaborative effort among the Florida Department of Health in Broward County, Broward County Government, Federally Qualified Health Centers, the Memorial Healthcare System (MHS), and the Broward Health System. Broward County has several tax assisted centers for primary care, including two hospital districts (Memorial Healthcare System and Broward Health), several Federally Qualified Health Centers (Broward Community and Family Health Centers, Care Resource, and the North Broward Hospital Districts' Broward HealthPoint), and two local healthcare clinics (Light of the World Clinic, Inc., and Living Waters Care Center).

Florida Department of Health in Broward County

The Florida Department of Health is a state agency that partners with the local Broward County government to protect, promote, and improve the health of residents and visitors of Broward. The Department of Health (DOH) in Broward leads public health efforts to promote a safe and healthy community, including performing surveillance, leading prevention and detection efforts, and promoting treatment of significant environmental and health issues within the County. Table 3 displays the

six main services provided by the local health department and the programs under each.

Table 3: Broward County Department of Health Services & Programs, 2025

Service	Programs
Clinical and Nutrition Services	Dental services, family planning, Florida Breast and Cervical cancer early detection program, immunizations, medical records management, pharmacy, refugee health, school health, WIC
Community Health Planning and Statistics	Community coalitions, community health planning, data and statistics, healthy start, outreach planning group-speakers and community events, volunteer services
Emergency Preparedness and Response	Cities readiness initiative, hurricanes
Environmental Public Health	Biomedical waste, body piercing, drinking water, food safety and sanitation, group care, healthy beaches, indoor air, lead, mobile home/RV parks, onsite sewage disposal, pools and spas, rabies surveillance, Broward County health and sanitary control board, well surveillance, tanning, water well construction, sanitary nuisance, tattooing
Infectious Disease Services	Epidemiology and disease control, hepatitis, HIV/AIDS, Rabies prophylaxis, sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis
Wellness Programs	Drowning prevention, KidCare Outreach, Tobacco prevention, overdose data to action

Source: Florida Department of Health, 2025

The services provided encompass critical public health data collection and community management programs aimed at promoting the health and wellness of residents. This includes the recording of all births and deaths by the Vital Statistics section. The Epidemiology and Communicable Disease staff conduct surveillance, investigate reportable diseases and outbreaks, implement prevention and control measures, and offer education and technical assistance to both healthcare providers and the community. They also lead community outreach and health education efforts related to communicable diseases. The Environmental Health/Engineering section is responsible for inspecting and monitoring onsite sewage systems, public swimming pools, radiological health, biomedical waste, and certain facilities and food services, while also addressing public health complaints. Additionally, the Florida Department of Health in Broward County leads the Health and Medical Response (Emergency Support Function #8) at the Emergency Operations Center and manages medical operations in Special Needs Shelters.

Broward Health System

Broward Health is a public, non-profit hospital system governed by the North Broward Hospital District Board of Commissioners – a seven-member district board appointed by the Governor. The Board of Commissioners appoints the President/CEO and General Counsel. The President/CEO leads Broward Health's Executive Team.

Broward Health offers a full spectrum of healthcare services. The Broward Health System encompasses more than 50 healthcare facilities, including four hospitals: Broward Health Medical Center, Broward Health North, Broward Health Imperial Point, and Broward Health Coral Springs (Figure 8). Broward Health is a medical safety net for Broward residents, and its primary and secondary service areas make up 85% of Broward County's residents.

Broward Health provides a network of family primary health service sites offering affordable, comprehensive, quality primary and specialty health care. Broward HealthPoint, Broward Health's system of 10 Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), provides prenatal care, prevention, education, outreach, case/disease management, primary care, specialty care, urgent care, dental care, and outpatient diagnostic testing, making healthcare more reachable throughout the community.

Figure 8 shows a map of where Broward Health's four hospitals, one Urgent Care center, and their 13 outpatient/ambulatory centers (including all Broward HealthPoint locations) located throughout the County. This figure also highlights the zip codes where Broward Health's primary service area is located, which makes up all of North Broward, above Griffin Road.

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Figure 8: Broward Health Locations and Primary Service Area Throughout Broward County

Source: BRHPC Data Warehouse, 2025; Broward Health, 2025

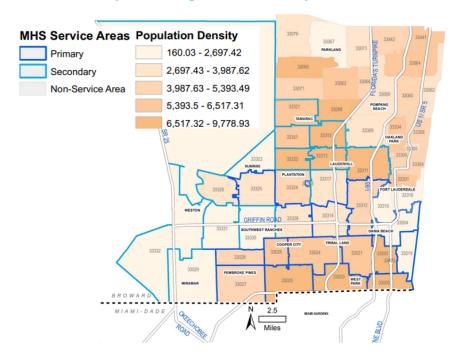
Memorial Healthcare System

The Memorial Healthcare System (MHS) is Broward's second main hospital system, which has five main hospital locations throughout Broward County. Memorial Health is a non-profit and provides primary care services for insured and uninsured residents within the South Broward to Miami-Dade County community. Memorial Healthcare System is a primary service area for 38% of Broward County, and a secondary service area to 25% of the County. Similar to Broward Health, Memorial Health has many locations throughout the county offering services including primary care locations, behavioral healthcare sites, outpatient healthcare sites, urgent care, and specialty care.

Memorial Healthcare System's adult and pediatric mobile medical units also provide medical services in the community. Adult primary medical care services provided through MHS, include medical care, specialty referrals, HIV counseling/testing, pharmacy, education, support groups, and social services. MHS's pediatric services provide well and sick care for newborns through age 17, including specialty referrals, counseling, nutrition, immunization, and pharmacy. MHS's Obstetrician/gynecology services include prenatal care, high-risk care, gynecology, specialty referrals, family planning, nutritional counseling, and educational classes.

Memorial Healthcare's mobile units are highly visible in the community. The MHS care team canvasses neighborhoods identified with patterns of healthcare gaps and provides education and community resources to address many of the needs throughout the community, to improve access to care. Figure 9 shows the MHS Primary and Secondary Service areas, primarily in South Broward, outlined by zip code. This data is layered on a County map displaying population density by zip code.

Figure 9: Memorial Health System Primary and Secondary Service Areas Throughout Broward County, with Population Density



Source: BRHPC Data Warehouse

Nova Southeastern University

Through education, research, and affordable patient care, Nova Southeastern University (NSU) is a major contributor to health and wellness in the Broward County community. NSU Health offers the full spectrum of health care services

through its many South Florida locations, where more than 250,000 patients benefited last year from first-class health services.

NSU's Health Professions Division runs community-service health programs and clinics in dentistry, optometry, audiology, physical and occupational therapy, family therapy, and mental health. Its Speech-Language Pathology Clinic serves the needs of children and adults suffering from communication disorders, and its Marilyn Segal Early Childhood Studies Center focuses on the well-being, education, and health of young children. NSU is one of the largest medical training hubs in the Florida community as well, with its main location centered in Fort Lauderdale. NSU's Public Health Program concentrates on training future leaders for community health planning. Students from across NSU's Health Professions Division—including those in medicine, public health, and allied health sciences—make a meaningful impact on the community through volunteerism, research, patient care, and outreach. They actively engage in experiential learning while providing high-quality education, training, and services that enhance the well-being of individuals and families throughout the region.

Behavioral Healthcare System

Broward County's behavioral health system is comprised of many entities, such as the Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC) which works with the Department of Children and Families (DCF), and various behavioral health institutions located throughout the County. These institutions provide a variety of services, including addiction recovery services, adolescent intervention services, mental health counseling, case management, life coaching, crisis stabilization, housing assistance, and psychiatric services. BBHC lists a variety of behavioral health resources located throughout the County for residents in need of behavioral health services, shown in Table 4.

Table 4: Broward County Behavioral Health Services & Links, 2025

Behavioral Health Program Service	
Archways, Inc.	Foot Print to Success Clubhouse, Inc.
Banyan Health Systems	Fort Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center
Broward Community and Family Health Centers	Gulf Coast Jewish Family & Community Services, Inc.
Broward County Addiction Recovery Center	Harmony Development Center

Broward County Crisis Intervention & Support Division	Henderson Behavioral Health, Inc.
Broward County Sheriff's Office	House of Hope, Inc.
Broward Health	Kids In Distress, Inc.
Broward House, Inc.	Memorial Healthcare System
Broward Housing Solutions	Mental Health America of Southeast Florida
Broward Partnership for the Homeless, Inc.	Multicultural Alliance Health Care Solutions, Inc. (MAHCS)
Camelot Community Care, Inc.	NAMI Broward County, Inc.
Care Resource	Our Children, Our Future, Inc.
Children's Harbor, Inc.	Silver Impact, Inc.
Citrus Health Network, Inc.	Smith Mental Health Associates, LLC.
Covenant House Florida, Inc.	South Florida Wellness Network, Inc.
Evolutions Treatment Center	West Care
Fellowship House	Taskforce Fore Ending Homelessness, Inc.
Fellowship Recovery Community Organization, Inc.	The Chrysalis Center, Inc.
Florida Initiative for Suicide Prevention, Inc.	United Way of Broward County, Inc.
Tomorrow's Rainbow	

Source: BBHC Resources, 2025

Retail Clinics

Retail care clinics are a relatively new method of receiving healthcare in the community, and these clinics are located within retail stores to address minor health issues. These centers are typically staffed by advanced practice providers to treat low-level health issues. These centers offer alternative methods to access healthcare, which are usually much more affordable than other similar care options and tend to have shorter waiting times than other clinic types (Definitive Healthcare, 2025).

Table 5 provides a list of retail clinic sites offered throughout Broward County.

Table 5: Retail Clinic Locations, Broward County

CVS Minute Clinic Locations	Walgreens Community Clinic Locations
4701 Flamingo Road, Cooper City	601 E Commercial Blvd, Oakland Park
2240 E Sunrise Blvd, Fort Lauderdale	11105 Stirling Road, Cooper City
5701 Coral Ridge Drive, Coral Springs	

1501 S Federal Hwy, Pompano Beach	1300 E Hallandale Beach Blvd, Hallandale
4610 South University Drive, Davie	Beach
5800 S University Dr, Davie	1751 Bonaventure Blvd, Weston
1700 South Federal Highway Fort	8790 West McNab Road, Tamarac
Lauderdale	
12401 Miramar Parkway, Miramar	
10241 West Broward Boulevard, Plantation	

Source: CVS, 2025; Walgreens, 2025

Veteran Affairs Outpatient Medical Centers

Broward does not have any military or Veteran Affairs (VA) hospitals. Broward residents utilize services at Miami-Dade and Palm Beach County facilities. However, Broward does have some outpatient VA facilities, including Deerfield Beach VA Clinic, William "Bill" Kling Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Sunrise, Pembroke Pines VA Clinic, Hollywood VA Clinic, and NSU Veterans Access Clinic.

Healthcare Facilities

This section provides a detailed overview of healthcare facilities throughout Broward County, highlighting the range of services available to residents. It covers the county's hospitals, nursing homes, and emergency medical service (EMS) providers, along with a listing of ambulatory surgical centers, cardiac catheterization facilities, and hospice care providers. Together, these facilities represent the county's core healthcare delivery system, supporting both routine and specialized medical needs across all stages of care.

Hospitals

Hospitals are healthcare centers that offer a range of services, including emergency services, to patients with acute or complex health conditions, or injuries. These locations are usually open 24/7 and offer a multidisciplinary team of medical professionals.

Throughout Broward County, there are 22 hospitals, including 2 locations that are primarily long-term care hospitals. Together, these locations offer just over 6,200 beds available for admission. Table 6 lists these hospitals and their addresses. There are two major hospital systems throughout the County – Broward Health and

Memorial Healthcare System. These systems are both non-profit and provide services throughout the Broward community based on needs assessments conducted every three years.

Table 6: Broward County Hospitals with Locations, 2025

Hospital	Location	
Broward Health Coral Springs	3000 Coral Hills Dr, Coral Springs	
Broward Health Imperial Point	6401 N Federal Hwy, Fort Lauderdale	
Broward Health Medical Center	1600 S Andrews Ave, Fort Lauderdale	
Broward Health North	201 E Sample Rd, Pompano Beach	
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	3100 Weston Rd, Weston	
Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of	4399 N Nob Hill Rd, Tamarac	
Sunrise		
Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center	5757 N Dixie Hwy, Oakland Park	
HCA Florida University Hospital	3476 S University Dr, Davie	
HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	7201 N University Dr, Tamarac	
Holy Cross Health	4725 N Federal Hwy, Fort Lauderdale	
Larkin Community Hospital Behavioral Health	1201 N 37th Ave, Hollywood, FL 33021	
Services		
Memorial Hospital Miramar	1901 SW 172nd Ave, Miramar	
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	7800 Sheridan St, Pembroke Pines	
Memorial Hospital West	703 N Flamingo Rd, Pembroke Pines	
Memorial Regional Hospital	3501 Johnson St, Hollywood	
Memorial Regional Hospital South	3600 Washington St, Hollywood	
North Shore Medical Center - Florida Medical	5000 W Oakland Park Blvd, Fort	
Center (FMC) Campus	Lauderdale	
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida	2801 N State Rd 7, Margate	
Northwest)		
St. Anthony's Rehab Hospital	3487 NW 30th St, Lauderdale Lakes	
Westside Regional Medical Center	8201 W Broward Blvd, Plantation	
Long Term Care Hospitals		
Kindred Hospital – Ft. Lauderdale	1516 E Las Olas Blvd, Fort Lauderdale	
Kindred Hospital – Hollywood	1859 Van Buren St, Hollywood	

Table 7 shows the total number of beds available throughout Broward County hospitals by type of facility and bed type. The number of hospital facilities offering each type of bed is also listed. The majority of admission beds are for acute care. Acute care admission beds are offered at 16 facilities. Table 8 displays which hospital locations offer specific bed types, including acute care, medical surgical, and more.

Table 7: Licensed Healthcare Facilities and Bed Allocation by Type, Broward 2025

	Licensed Beds#	Facilities#
Type of Facilities		
Hospitals	6011	20
Long-term Care Hospitals	191	2

Type of Beds Allocated		
Acute Care	4,823	16
Long Term Care Acute Care	180	2
Medical Surgical Services	2,734	16
Long Term Care Medical Surgical	163	2
Critical Care	528	15
Long Term Critical Care	17	2
Other Acute Care	970	10
Pediatric Services	222	5
Obstetrical	367	8
Newborn Services (Bassinets)	275	8
Level II NICU	117	8
Level III NICU	141	5
Rehabilitative Services	361	8
Adult Psychiatric	452	7
Child/Adolescent Psychiatric	81	4
Adult Substance Abuse	46	1

Table 8 reviews the different levels of care provided at each hospital throughout Broward County. Acute care, medical surgical and critical care are offered at most hospitals throughout Broward, and at all Broward Health and Memorial Health hospital locations. Two hospital locations offer rehabilitative services only – Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Sunrise, and St. Anthony's Rehab Hospital.

Table 8: Services Offered by Hospital, Broward 2025

Hospital	Acute Care	Medical Surgical	Critical Care	Other Acute Care	Pediatric Services	Obstetrical	Newborn Services	Level II NICU	Level III NICU	Rehabilitative Services	Adult Psychiatric	Child/Adolescent Psych.	Adult Substance Abuse
Broward Health Coral Springs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Broward Health Imperial Point	X	X	X	X							X		
Broward Health Medical Center	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Broward Health North	X	X	X	X						X			
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	X	X	X	X									
Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Sunrise										X			
Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center											X	X	X
HCA Florida University Hospital	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X				

HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	X	X	X	X						X	X	X	
Holy Cross Health	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		X			
Kindred Hospital- Ft.										X			
Lauderdale													
Larkin Community Hospital											X	X	
Behavioral Health Services													
Memorial Hospital Miramar	X	X	X			X	X	X	X				
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	X	X	X	X									
Memorial Hospital West	X	X	X			X	X	X					
Memorial Regional Hospital	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Memorial Regional Hospital	X	X								X			
South													
North Shore Medical Center -	X	X	X								X		
Florida Medical Center (FMC)													
Campus													
Northwest Medical Center (HCA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Florida Northwest)													
St. Anthony's Rehab Hospital										X			
Westside Regional Medical	X	X	X	X									
Center													

Table 9 reviews the types of procedures offered at each hospital location in Broward. This provides an overall view of the different therapies, radiologic procedures, and other operations provided to patients throughout Broward County hospital locations. Only three hospitals throughout Broward provide adult transplants.

Table 9: Procedures Offered by Hospital, Broward 2025

Hospital	Surgical Operations	Physical Therapy	Occupational Therapy	Speech Therapy	Laboratory	CT Scans	MRI	Ultrasound	Nuclear Medicine	PET Scans	Mammography	Shock Wave Lithotrip.	Adult transplants
Broward Health Coral Springs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Broward Health Imperial Point	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Broward Health Medical Center	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Broward Health North	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Sunrise													
Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center													
HCA Florida University Hospital	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	

HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Holy Cross Health	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Kindred Hospital- Ft. Lauderdale	X	X	X	X	X	X		X					
Kindred Hospital- Hollywood	X					X		X	X				
Larkin Community Hospital Behavioral Health Services													
Memorial Hospital Miramar	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Memorial Hospital West	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X
Memorial Regional Hospital	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X
Memorial Regional Hospital South	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
North Shore Medical Center - Florida Medical Center (FMC) Campus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
St. Anthony's Rehab Hospital													
Westside Regional Medical Center	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		

Nursing Homes

Nursing homes are another integral part of the healthcare system and are primarily residential facilities that provide long-term care for individuals who need daily support due to factors such as age, chronic illness, or injury/disability. There are 31 locations throughout Broward with over 4,100 available beds. These locations have multidisciplinary medical teams to assist patients with daily living or through medical intervention. Table 10 lists all 31 nursing homes and their locations.

Table 10: Broward County Nursing Homes with Locations, 2025

Nursing Home	Location
Aviata At the Sea – Harbor Beach	1615 Miami Rd, Fort Lauderdale
Aviata At the Sea – Pompano Beach	2401 NE 2nd St, Pompano Beach
Broward Nursing & Rehab Center	1330 S Andrews Ave, Fort Lauderdale
Covenant Village Care Center of Fl	9215 W Broward Blvd, Plantation
Deerfield Beach Health and Rehab Center	401 E Sample Rd, Pompano Beach
(Formerly Broward Institute for Long Term Care)	
Emerald Nursing and Rehabilitation Center	4200 Washington St, Hollywood
Ft. Lauderdale Health & Rehab	2000 E Commercial Blvd, Ft Lauderdale
Glades West Rehabilitation & Nursing Center	15955 Bass Creek Rd, Miramar
Golfcrest Health Care Center	600 N 17th Ave, Hollywood
John Knox Village Health Center	651 SW 6th St, Pompano Beach
Lifecare Center Of Inverary	4300 Rock Island Rd, Lauderhill

Margate Healthcare	5951 Colonial Dr, Margate
Memorial Manor Nursing Home	777 S Douglas Rd, Pembroke Pines
Nspire Healthcare of Lauderhill	2599 NW 55th Ave, Lauderhill
Nspire Healthcare Plantation	6931 W Sunrise Blvd, Plantation
Nspire Healthcare Tamarac	5901 NW 79th Ave, Tamarac
Palms Care Center and Rehab	3370 NW 47th Terrace, Lauderdale
	Lakes
Plantation Nursing & Rehab Center	4250 NW 5th St, Plantation
Pompano Rehab	51 W Sample Rd, Pompano Beach
Regents Park Sunrise	9711 W Oakland Park Blvd, Sunrise
Savoy At Fort Lauderdale Rehabilitation and	2121 E Commercial Blvd, Fort
Nursing Center	Lauderdale
Solaris Healthcare Coconut Creek	4125 W Sample Rd, Coconut Creek
Springtree Rehab &Nursing Center	4251 Springtree Dr, Sunrise
St. John's Rehabilitation Hospital & Nursing	3075 NW 35th Ave, Lauderdale Lakes
Center	
Sunrise Health & Rehab Center	4800 N Nob Hill Rd, Sunrise
Tamarac Rehab & Health Center	7901 NW 88th Ave, Tamarac
The Pearl at Fort Lauderdale Rehabilitation &	1701 NE 26th St, Fort Lauderdale
Nursing Center	
West Broward Care Center	7751 W Broward Blvd, Plantation
Westlake Nursing Home & Rehab Center	440 Phippen Waiters Rd, Dania Beach
Wilton Manors Health & Rehab Center	2675 N Andrews Ave, Ft Lauderdale

Emergency Medical Services

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) play a critical role in protecting the health and safety of the community by providing immediate care in emergency situations. These pre-hospital services are designed to respond to sudden illnesses or injuries, offering rapid assessment, stabilization, and life-saving treatment. EMS also includes emergency medical transportation for individuals who are sick, injured, or otherwise incapacitated. Table 11 lists the EMS facilities and Fire rescue facilities currently operating in the County.

Table 11: Broward Emergency Medical Services and Fire Rescue Facilities, 2025

Emergency Medical Services (EMS)	Fire Rescue
American Medical Response (AMR)	Sheriff of Broward County, Florida Dept. of
City of Coconut Creek EMS	Fire Rescue
Hatzalah South Florida Emergency	Coconut Creek Fire Rescue
Medical Services	Coral Springs-Parkland Fire Department
MCT Express, Inc	Davie Fire Rescue
National Health Transport, Inc.	Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue
RG Ambulance Service, Inc. (All County	Hollywood Fire Rescue
Ambulance)	Lauderhill Fire Rescue
	Lighthouse Point Fire

Margate Fire Rescue
Miramar Fire Rescue
North Lauderdale Fire Rescue
Oakland Park Fire Dept.
Pembroke Pines Fire Rescue
Plantation Fire Rescue
Pompano Beach Fire Rescue
Sunrise Fire Rescue
Tamarac Fire Rescue

Source: Broward County Trauma Management Agency, 2025

Ambulatory Surgery Centers

An ambulatory surgical center (ACS) is a facility whose primary purpose is to provide elective surgical care, in which the patient is admitted to and discharged from the facility within the same working day and is not permitted to stay overnight. These centers are not part of a hospital. Ambulatory surgical centers can either perform surgeries in a variety of specialties or focus their services to one specialty. Table 12 lists the ambulatory surgical centers in Broward; note that this is not a comprehensive list of all ambulatory surgical centers throughout the County.

Table 12: Ambulatory Surgical Centers with Locations, Broward 2025

Ambulatory Surgical Center	Location
Azura Surgery Center Plantation	6766 W Sunrise Blvd Suite 100, Plantation
Baptist Eye Surgery Center at Sunrise	3737 N Pine Island Rd, Sunrise
Baptist Health Endoscopy Center at	3001 Coral Hills Dr Suite 200, Coral
Coral Springs	Springs
Baptist Health Surgery Center at	1228 S Pine Island Rd Ste 220, Plantation
Plantation	
Broward Outpatient Medical Center	150 Southwest 12th Ave, Pompano Beach
Broward Specialty Surgical Center	7261 Sheridan Street, Hollywood
Cardiovascular Surgical Suites	825 Coral Ridge Drive Coral Springs
Carlos E. Spera, MD, PA Plastic Surgery	12575 Orange Drive, Davie
Cleveland Clinic Coral Springs Family	5701 N University Dr, Coral Springs
Health and Ambulatory Surgery Center	
Coral Ridge Outpatient Center	5301 North Dixie Highway, Oakland Park
Cypress Creek Outpatient Surgical	2122 W Cypress Creek Rd, Fort Lauderdale
Center	
Deerfield Beach Outpatient Surgical	250 SW Natura Ave, Deerfield Beach
Center	
Digestive Disease Endoscopy Center	3001 Coral Hills Dr # 250, Coral Springs
Eye Care and Surgery Center of Fort	2540 Northeast 9th Street, Fort Lauderdale
Lauderdale	
Ft. Lauderdale Heart & Rhythm Surgery	1925 NE 45th St, Fort Lauderdale
Center	

Baptist Eye Surgery Center	3737 North Pine Island Road, Sunrise
Gulfstream Ambulatory Surgery Center	1460 North University Drive, Coral Springs
Hallandale Outpatient Surgical Center	306 East Hallandale Beach Blvd,
	Hallandale
Hollywood Regional Surgery Center	3475 Sheridan St Suite 104, Hollywood
Holy Cross Outpatient Center	4725 North Federal Hwy, Fort Lauderdale
Memorial Same Day Surgery Center	501 North Flamingo Road, Pembroke Pines
Outpatient Surgical Services	301 Northwest 82nd Avenue, Plantation
ParkCreek Surgery Center	6806 North State Road 7, Coconut Creek
Rand Eye Institute Surgical Pavilion	5 West Sample Road, Pompano Beach
South Broward Endoscopy	11011 Sheridan Street, Cooper City
Surgery Center at Coral Springs	967 University Drive, Coral Springs
Surgery Center of Weston, LLC	2300 North Commerce Parkway, Weston
SurgiCare of Miramar	14601 Southwest 29th Street, Miramar
Take Shape Surgery Center, LLC	4161 Northwest 5th Street, Plantation
Tamarac Endoscopy Center	7481 North University Drive, Tamarac
The Surgery Center of Fort Lauderdale	4485 North State Rd 7, Lauderdale Lakes
Weston Outpatient Surgical Center	2229 North Commerce Parkway, Weston

Cardiac Catheterization Facilities

Cardiac catheterization is an invasive diagnostic procedure in which a thin, flexible tube (catheter) is inserted into an artery and guided to the heart to obtain detailed images of its structure and function. This allows physicians to diagnose congenital defects, structural abnormalities, or issues with blood flow. Based on the results, providers can develop an appropriate treatment plan—one possible next step being angioplasty, a procedure used to open narrowed or blocked arteries and restore proper blood flow (Cleveland Clinic, *Cardiac Catheterization* 2025).

While cardiac catheterization can often be performed on an outpatient basis—allowing patients to return home the same day—Broward County currently has no stand-alone outpatient facilities for this procedure. However, several hospitals in the county offer both inpatient and outpatient cardiac catheterization services. Notably, Broward Health Coral Springs recently opened a state-of-the-art Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory. Table 13 lists the twelve hospital locations in Broward that provide these services, along with the number of procedures performed in 2024.

Table 13: Inpatient and Outpatient Cardiac Catheterization Procedures by Hospital, Broward County, 2024

Hospital	# Cardiac Catheterizations				
	Inpatient	Outpatient			
Broward Health Coral Springs	337	395			
Broward Health Imperial Point	108	113			

Broward Health Medical Center	1,211	675
Broward Health North	430	234
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	841	1,193
HCA Florida University Hospital	116	105
Holy Cross Health	949	842
Memorial Hospital West	1,387	623
Memorial Regional Hospital	1,560	1,280
North Shore Medical Center - FMC Campus	302	57
Northwest Medical Center (HCA Florida Northwest)	849	639
Westside Regional Medical Center	1,390	769
Total	9,480	6,925

Hospice Facilities

Hospice facilities offer comprehensive care for terminally ill patients and their families, including nursing, physician, social work, pastoral support, nutritional counseling, and bereavement services. Staff are specially trained to support patients and families coping with end-of-life issues. Services may be delivered in the patient's home, a hospital, or a dedicated hospice facility. A list of hospice facilities is provided in Table 14.

Table 14: Hospice Facilities with Locations, Broward 2025

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Hospice Facility	Location(s)
AccentCare Hospice & Palliative	1. Memorial Regional Hospital South
Care	(Inpatient)
	2. Memorial Hospital Pembroke (Inpatient)
	3. North Shore Medical Center (Inpatient)
Catholic Hospice at Holy Cross	4725 N Federal Hwy 5th Floor, Fort Lauderdale
Hospital Inpatient Care Center	
Continuum Care Hospice of	7771 W. Oakland Park Blvd., Suite 150 Sunrise
Florida	
Heartland Hospice	150 S. Pine Island Road, Suite 540, Plantation
VITAS Innovative Hospice Care	1. Broward Health Coral Springs (Inpatient)
	2. Broward Health North (Inpatient)
	3. Broward Health Medical Center (Inpatient)
	4. Sunrise Health and Rehabilitation Center
	5. Florida Medical Center (Inpatient)

Community-Based Health & Support Services

Community-based health & support services play a vital role in improving health outcomes by meeting individuals where they are—within their communities. These

services address a wide range of needs, from health education and screenings to case management and supportive care, improving access for all.

Light of the Word Clinic, Inc.

The Light of the World Clinic (LOTWC) is a nonprofit, volunteer-run medical clinic providing free primary and specialty healthcare to low-income residents of Broward County. Services include screenings, diagnostics, treatment, and counseling. By serving uninsured individuals, families, and seniors, LOTWC works to improve health throughout the community. The clinic offers care for children, adults, and seniors with chronic conditions and special needs. According to LOTWC, their mission is to help populations in need, particularly the working poor, to improve their health, knowledge, and quality of life through access to care and support for healthy lifestyle changes.

LOTWC currently provides a wide range of specialties and services to eligible patients, including General Medicine, Pediatrics, Cardiology, Dermatology, Ophthalmology, Gynecology, Endocrinology, Certified Diabetes Education, Infectious Disease, Nephrology, Pulmonology, Acupuncture, Urology, Dental, Neurology, prescription medications (as available), and laboratory testing. According to its 2024 Community Impact Report, LOTWC recorded 18,125 clinic visits and 7,567 outreach encounters, resulting in an estimated return on investment (ROI) of over \$3 million for community benefit. This ROI reflects savings from reduced emergency room visits and hospital admissions, as well as the value of volunteer hours, donated services, and medical equipment.

The LOTWC office is located in Oakland Park and operates five days a week, from Tuesday through Saturday. The clinic offers comprehensive medical services, including intervention, risk reduction, and preventive health education. Services are provided by volunteer doctors, nurses, and medical professionals in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and Creole. For additional language needs, certified translation services are available. LOTWC also supports community education by offering healthcare training and medical internships to students and volunteers from many medical disciplines through partnerships with the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Barry University, Florida Atlantic University, and Nova Southeastern University.

Living Waters Care Center

The Living Waters Care Center, affiliated with the Gulf Stream Baptist Association, provides medical care, a food pantry, and referral services for low-income residents. It operates at two locations: the North Care Center, which features a vision clinic, and the South Care Center, which includes a dental operatory. Vision and dental services are offered based on the availability of volunteer providers.

Children's Diagnostic and Treatment Center (CDTC)

Established in 1983, the Children's Diagnostic and Treatment Center (CDTC) provides comprehensive services to infants, children, youth, and families, including primary and specialty medical care, dental care, early intervention, HIV/AIDS services, and home-based support. CDTC serves children with chronic illnesses or developmental disabilities. The center also supports homeless children, those involved in the child welfare system, and high-risk newborns. In partnership with all Broward birthing hospitals, CDTC conducts newborn screenings and operates as a subsidiary of Broward Health, receiving both administrative and financial support. Its operations are primarily funded through federal, state, and local grants.

CDTC offers a range of programs focused on promoting the health and well-being of children and families. Table 15 highlights key initiatives and achievements.

Table 15: CDTC Community Programs & Impact, 2022

Program & Description	Program Statistics
Early Steps Program	2,489 Evaluations performed7,346 Infants & toddlers enrolled
Targeted Outreach Program for Pregnant Women Act (TOPWA)	 Linked 535 pregnant mothers identified as at-risk with prenatal care & services
Comprehensive Family AIDS Program (CFAP)	• 1,886 women, infants & children supported
Pediatric Primary Care & Family Medicine Center	• Treated 1,635 children and 424 Adults
Medical Home Programs – Provides support as families navigate healthcare 1. Extraordinary Children, Healthy Outcomes 2. Lift a Child to Health 3. Transitioning Adolescents Forward into Tomorrow	 Children/Youth assisted by Each Program: 676 Children 181 Children 180 Young Adults
Pediatric Dental Clinic	• 314 Healthy Smiles

Source: 2022 Impact Report, CDTC

Broward Healthy Start Coalition, Inc.

Incorporated on February 14, 1992, the Broward Healthy Start Coalition, Inc. is the lead agency for maternal and child health policy and programming in Broward County. Funded by the Florida Department of Health and the Agency for Health Care Administration through the Healthy Start MomCare Network, the Coalition manages the local Healthy Start system, including subcontract oversight, service delivery for pregnant women and children up to age three, and program monitoring through quality assurance and improvement. Over time, the Coalition has expanded its funding from federal, state, and local sources to offer services beyond the original Healthy Start model, providing comprehensive support for families.

The primary goals of Healthy Start are to:

- 1. Reduce fetal and infant mortality and morbidity
- 2. Decrease low birth weight and preterm births
- 3. Improve maternal and child health and developmental outcomes

Table 16 reviews the number of referrals received at BHSC, as well as the number of intakes and clients referred to programs for all and for prenatal.

Table 16: Healthy Start Coalition Referral Data, Fiscal Year 2024-2025

	#	Broward %
Number of Referrals Received	22,898	
Prenatal	13,552	
Number of Intakes Completed	17,458	76%
Prenatal	8,606	64%
Number of Clients Referred to a HV Program	9,968	57%
Prenatal	5,872	28%
Clients who resulted in No Further Services	6,653	38%
Needed Data from WFS Service Report		
Prenatal	2,417	28%
Clients who Declined Services Data from WFS Service	806	5%
Report		
Prenatal	316	4%

Source: Broward Healthy Start Coalition, referrals data, FY 2024-25

Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition of Broward County, Inc.

Founded in 1987 in response to high infant mortality rates, Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition of Broward County, Inc. (HMHB/Broward) has spent over

35 years supporting low-income pregnant mothers and parenting families in high-risk areas. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, HMHB/Broward works to strengthen families and improve birth outcomes through education, comprehensive programming, and access to essential services in Broward County communities. Table 17 outlines the Coalition's programs, services, and impact throughout Broward.

Table 17: Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition of Broward Programs & Impact Statistics, Fiscal Year 2020/21

Program & Description	Program Statistics
Mothers Overcoming Maternal Stress (M.O.M.S) A volunteer home visiting program for pregnant women, or	\$561,323 in Funding206 Participants
women with a child (<1 year old). Women receive homebased counseling, education, and post-partum support.	• 1,283 Counseling Hours
Emergency Basic Needs Program (EBN) Provides emergency financial services for basic needs (rent/housing, food) to assist with long-term stability.	\$80,269 in Funding194 Participants409 Applications
Healthy Families A family support and coaching program to help parents provide a safe environment for their children's needs throughout growth and development.	\$332,562 in Funding159 Participants
Mahogany Program Education program that targets high-risk pregnant women in the following zip codes: 33311, 33309, 33313, 33319, and 33068. Mothers learn how to monitor and improve their health and the health of their baby.	 \$222,200 in Funding 53 Participants 1,365 Health Education Hours
Fatherhood Mentorship Program Program that provides fathers and male caregivers in Broward with individual/group education, mentorship, case management, and family therapy to create a positive family influence.	\$150,000 in Funding82 Participants
Closing the gap Program that provides education, testing, public service announcements, and referral services for eligible individuals on HIV/AIDS.	\$50,000 in Funding794 Educated

Source: FY 20/21 HMHB Broward Annual Report

Nurse Family Partnership

The Nurse-Family Partnership was first launched in the U.S. in the 1970s with the goal of improve outcomes for low-income mothers and their children. The program has shown success in reducing developmental delays, increasing breastfeeding, reducing emergency department visits, reducing behavioral and emotional problems in the child, reducing substance abuse among children, and improving academic

achievement for the child. Additionally, maternal health during and after pregnancy among NFP mothers has improved compared to at-risk non-NFP mothers.

The NFP program works with high-risk mothers of the community and pairs mothers with a nurse who will visit them throughout their pregnancy. The program is aimed at improving prenatal care, decreasing the infant mortality rate, and promoting breastfeeding in the community. NFP works with both at-risk first-time mothers and mothers with multiple births. The goal of NFP is to implement early interventions for these women. NFP strives to empower these mothers with support for the child's health and development and to increase the economic sustainability of the families. Some of the qualifying events for the program include:

- Economic adversity
- Any form of high-risk behaviors
- Education levels
- Less than 28 weeks of pregnancy
- Living in Broward County in one of the following zip codes 33311, 33313, 33319, 33023, 33024, 33025, 33060, 33064, 33069

All participants for the program are screened through a collaboration with Broward Healthy Start Coalition and its funding providers. The program has grown from just assisting first-time mothers, to now including any potentially high-risk mother.

The Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) Program was launched in Broward County in partnership with Healthy Start Coalition, Holy Cross Health, and the Broward Health System. Broward Regional Health Planning Council, Inc. (BRHPC) was awarded funding to implement the NFP program (NFP Literature Review; BRHPC, 2025). NFP services are delivered through a partnership between BRHPC and the two hospital districts in Broward: Broward Health and Holy Cross Health. The hospital districts directly employ the nurse home visitors for the program, who are trained and report to the Program Nurse Supervisor, who is employed directly through BRHPC. NFP has eight (8) nursing positions total; four (4) from each hospital system. The NFP program is funded by the Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting Initiative (MIECHV), which is administrated by the Florida Association of Healthy Start Coalitions. Oversight of model fidelity is provided by the NFP National Service Office.

Broward Community & Family Health Centers (BCOM), Inc.

BCOM delivers a comprehensive, integrative model of care that combines primary care and behavioral health to support the whole person. This coordinated approach addresses both physical and mental health needs under one umbrella, ensuring patients receive personalized, holistic care. Services are offered both onsite and via telehealth, and include family medicine, internal medicine, obstetrics, and gynecology. Other services provided include laboratory testing, immunizations, diagnostic screenings (e.g., EKGs, vision, and hearing), basic nutritional counseling, HIV testing and treatment, and STI screening and management.

Additionally, BCOM offers oral health services which include dental screenings, oral hygiene instruction, and preventive education. Clinical offerings include gum treatment, extractions, oral prophylaxis, topical fluoride applications, sealants, and diagnostic x-rays to detect carries and periodontal disease. Dental care is provided both at BCOM's health center and through their mobile dental unit, which helps serve patients in underserved communities.

BCOM offers a range of enabling services such as community outreach, case management, assistance with insurance enrollment, transportation, and translation services. In addition, their mobile health van delivers select preventive screenings, testing, and vaccinations directly to the community removing barriers for individuals who may have difficulty accessing care.

Care Resource

Care Resource offers comprehensive services including primary care, dental care, pediatric care, behavioral health, and a variety of support services for individuals from all backgrounds. An on-site pharmacy provides added convenience for patients. Committed to accessibility, Care Resource offers discounted service rates to those who qualify. To better serve the community, their online resources are available in multiple languages, including Spanish and Creole (Care Resource, 2025).

Home Health Agencies

Home Health Agencies (HHAs) deliver a wide range of medically necessary and supportive services directly in a patient's home or residence, allowing individuals to receive care in a familiar and comfortable environment. These services include skilled nursing care; physical, speech, occupational, and respiratory therapies; intravenous

(IV) therapy; and home health aide assistance. In addition, HHAs provide homemaker and companion services, nutritional counseling, medical social work, and access to durable medical equipment. This coordinated, in-home approach supports recovery, chronic condition management, and quality of life for individuals with acute or long-term health needs. As of 2025, there are 243 licensed home health agencies operating in Broward County (Home Healthcare in Florida, healthfinder.fl.gov).

Community Resources

The community resources section highlights support services that extend beyond direct medical care, helping residents navigate the broader healthcare system. These include tools to find local providers and insurance coverage, as well as homeless assistance centers that address housing instability and related health challenges.

Assistance Finding a Provider or Insurance

Broward County, a major urban center, offers a wide array of healthcare services and resources to support residents in finding both providers and insurance coverage. Multiple tools are available to assist with navigating the healthcare system, including online directories from health systems and insurance providers that allow users to search for doctors and specialists by location, specialty, and accepted insurance. Government websites also offer comparison tools for healthcare facilities, quality ratings, and nearby service options. In addition, community health centers and nonprofit organizations provide referral services, sliding-scale care, and support for individuals who are uninsured or underinsured. Collectively, these resources make it easier for residents to access the care they need. Table 18 highlights specific resources available to Broward County residents for help finding insurance or a local healthcare provider, including direct links to relevant webpages for easy access.

Table 18: Resources for Finding a Provider & Insurance, Broward 2025

Florida Health Department of Health (FDOH)

The FDOH provides search tools and resource directories for certain specialties that can be found within Broward County.

Links: <u>Dental Providers</u>; <u>Practitioner Profile Search Tool</u>; <u>Children's Medical Service</u> (CMS) Health Providers Search Tool

Florida Agency for Health Care Administration's (AHCA) Health Finder Florida Tool — This governmental resource offers a <u>Proximity Search Tool</u> to find providers near a specific location and to compare them.

Broward Health Find a Doctor Tool – provides a <u>Directory to Broward Health</u> physicians, allowing users to search by specialty and zip code.

Care Resource – Provides a <u>Directory To Care</u> for their primary care, behavioral, dental, and pediatric care support services in Broward. Further, Care Resource offers services such as client support and a pharmacy. Their website lists accepted insurances and provides care on a sliding-scale fee for some services.

Memorial Healthcare System – Provides a <u>Provider Search Tool</u> on their website that allows clients to search for providers by location and specialty.

HealthCare.gov — This Governmental Website offers options for open enrollment into insurance plans. These plans are often more affordable and include enrollment options for individuals who qualify as low-income.

Individual Health Insurance Websites — Those enrolled in a specific insurance plan can either review eligible providers on their insurance's website or call the number on the back of their insurance card to obtain more information.

Sources: FDOH, AHCA, Broward Health, Care Resource, Memorial Health System, Health Care.gov

Homeless Assistance Centers

Homelessness is closely linked with poor health outcomes and limited healthcare access. There are several homeless assistance centers throughout Broward County to assist individuals in obtaining housing. Table 19 outlines these resources and provides contact information for these services. There is a coordinate hotline for emergency shelter assessment and aid.

Emergency housing shelters offer short-term, immediate accommodation for individuals or families in crisis, providing basic needs like food and shelter while helping connect them to support services. There are 3 main emergency housing shelters listed below — Central, North and South Homeless Assistance Centers — which require a screening process for eligibility. Additionally, Covenant House, The Lippman Family Center, and Women in Distress offer emergency shelter services without prior screening.

Transitional housing provides longer-term housing (typically 6–24 months) paired with supportive services to help individuals and families move toward stable, permanent housing. There are 5 resources for transitional housing in Broward, listed in Table 19.

Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA) program provides case management and housing assistance for individuals with HIV/AIDs. There are four HOPWA funded programs operate within Broward, Table 19.

Table 19: Homeless Resources of Broward County and Contact Information, 2025

Homeless Resources Contact Number/Address
Coordinated & Entry Housing

Homeless Helpline - Coordinated Entry and Assessment Screening, Information and Referral (CEASIR) Process	954-563-HELP (4357)		
Emergency Housing Shelter			
Central Homeless Assistance Center (CHAC)	920 NW 7th Ave, Fort Lauderdale		
operated by:			
1. Broward Partnership for the Homeless, Inc	954-779-3990		
2. Hope South Florida (Family Day Respite)	954-563-HELP (4357)		
North Homeless Assistance Center (NHAC)	1700 Blount Rd, Pompano Beach		
operated by:			
1. Broward Partnership for the Homeless, Inc	954-779-3990		
2. Salvation Army (Individual Day Respite)	954-524-6991		
South Homeless Assistance Center (SHAC)	2056 Scott St, Hollywood		
operated by:			
1. Broward Outreach Center	954-926-7417		
CHAC, NHAC, & SHAC are accessed through the Coordinated Entry and Assessment			
Screening, Information and Referr			
Emergency Housing Shelter that does no			
Covenant House	733 Breakers Avenue, Fort		
	Lauderdale		
	954-561-5559		
The Lippman Family Center	221 NW 43rd Court, Oakland Park		
	954-568-2801		
Women In Distress	954-761-1133		
Transitional Housing			
Broward House Supportive Housing and Social	954-568-7373		
Services			
Covenant House	954-561-5559		
Salvation Army	954-524-6991		
Adult Rehabilitation Center	954-463-3725		
West Care Foundation			
The Village South-Pembrook Pines	305-573-3784 (ext.2)		
Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA)			
Broward Regional Health Planning Council	954-561-9681		
Care Resource	954-567-7141		
House of Hope	954-524-8989		
SunServe	954-764-5150		

Source: City of Fort Lauderdale, Homeless Resources. 2025

(https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/government/departments-a-h/city-manager-s-office/office-of-neighbor-support/homeless-resources-housing)

Quality Oversight and Accreditation

The Quality Oversight and Accreditation section highlights how performance standards are used to assess and maintain the quality of care across Broward

County's medical centers. Various accrediting organizations establish and evaluate best practices to ensure that medical facilities operate safely, effectively, and in alignment with industry benchmarks. Through regular program and facility evaluations, these standards promote accountability, guide continuous improvement, and support the delivery of high-quality care.

National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA)

The National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) is a private, not-for-profit organization dedicated to assessing and reporting on the quality of managed care plans. NCQA is governed by a board of directors that includes employers, consumer and labor representatives, health plans, quality experts, policy makers, and representatives from organized medicine. NCQA's mission is "to provide information that enables purchasers and consumers of managed health care to distinguish among plans based on quality, thereby allowing them to make more informed health care purchasing decisions." NCQA is organized around two activities: accreditation and performance measurement. These activities have been integrated under NCQA's Accreditation '99 program, which includes selected performance measures in such key areas as member satisfaction, quality of care, access, and service.

Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC)

The Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC) is a private, notfor-profit organization formed in 1979 to assist ambulatory health care organizations in improving the quality of care they provide to their patients. It accomplishes this by setting standards, measuring performance, providing consultation, and education where needed, and ultimately, by awarding accreditation to those organizations found to be comply with its standards. AAAHC history spans more than twenty-five years of independent and cooperative efforts by many national organizations, all dedicated to high quality ambulatory health care.

Since its founding, AAAHC has conducted hundreds of accreditation surveys of all types of ambulatory care organizations including ambulatory surgical facilities, college and university health centers, single and multi-specialty group practices, and health networks. Over 1,300 organizations nationwide are currently accredited by AAAHC. AAAHC has conducted surveys in nearly every type of ambulatory health care organization including: ambulatory clinics and surgery centers, single- and multi-specialty group practices, health maintenance organizations, independent physician associations, birthing centers, college and university health services, faculty medical practices, community health centers, Indian health centers, hospital-

sponsored ambulatory health services, urgent and immediate care centers, office based surgery centers and practices, pain management clinics, podiatry offices, and networks and groups of ambulatory care organizations.

AAAHC has surveyed managed care organizations over the years as a part of their regular accreditation activity. These standards focus on system-wide mechanisms for evaluating providers of care functioning within managed care systems, and for assuring standards of compliance. The standards address such critical issues as the organization's communication mechanisms to patient members; grievance resolution systems; consumer information; appeals procedures; and utilization management. In addition, AAAHC has undertaken specialized reviews for state agencies and in conjunction with state regulatory requirements which have resulted in extensive involvement in external reviews of managed care organizations. AAAHC has also been named as an approved HMO accrediting body in Florida where legislation requires HMOs be accredited as a condition of licensure.

The Joint Commission

The Joint Commission is a non-profit organization that sets and maintains healthcare quality and safety standards by developing accreditation guidelines and ensuring that organizations meet these high standards. The Joint Commission evaluates hospitals to determine whether they meet various standards for healthcare quality and safety. If a hospital is accredited, it shows the hospital is committed to meeting and upholding safety and quality measures. Hospitals that receive accreditation hold it for three years. Accreditation status is beneficial for hospitals as it allows them to demonstrate safety and quality standards to their patients and their families. Table 20 lists the hospitals in Broward County and their accreditation status. Accredited hospitals can display their "Gold Seal of Approval" from the Joint Commission to show patients their accreditation status.

Table 20: Joint Commission Accreditation Status, Broward County Hospitals 2025

Hospital	Accreditation Status	Accreditation Date
Broward Health Coral Springs	Accredited	8/9/2024
Broward Health Imperial Point	Accredited	5/18/2024
Broward Health Medical Center	Accredited	8/31/2024
Broward Health North	Accredited	9/27/2024
Cleveland Clinic Hospital	Accredited	7/10/2024
Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Sunrise	Accredited	2/12/2025
Ft. Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center	Accredited	2/24/2024
HCA Florida University Hospital	Accredited	9/27/2024

HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital	Accredited	5/23/2025
Larkin Community Hospital Behavioral Health	Accredited	6/3/2023
Services		
Memorial Hospital Miramar	Accredited	3/24/2023
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	Accredited	12/23/2022
Memorial Hospital West	Accredited	7/26/2024
Memorial Regional Hospital	Accredited	5/25/2024
St. Anthony's Rehab Hospital	Accredited	8/2/2024
Westside Regional Medical Center	Accredited	7/3/2024
Long Term Care Hospitals		
Kindred Hospital – Ft. Lauderdale & Hollywood	Accredited	3/15/2025

Source: The Joint Commission, 2025 (https://www.jointcommission.org/who-we-are/who-we-work-with/find-accredited-organizations/#numberOfResults=25)

In addition to accreditation status, these hospital locations may seek further evaluation for certification. Certifications given by the Joint Commission indicate that the hospital is meeting heightened standards for caring for patients with certain illnesses or injuries. One of the major certification types evaluated is for Stroke care. The Joint Commission's Primary Stroke Center Certification Program is based on the Recommendations for Primary Stroke Centers published by the Brain Attack Coalition and the American Stroke Association's statements for stroke. Programs seeking "Primary Stroke Center Certification" must meet eligibility requirements outlined in the *Disease-Specific Care Certification Manual* and use a standardized method of delivering clinical care based on evidence-based guidelines (i.e., Brain Attack Coalition's Recommendations for Primary Stroke Centers and guidelines developed by the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association).

The Joint Commission and the In September 2012, American Heart Association/American Stroke Association launched the Advanced Certification for Comprehensive Stroke Centers (CSCs). This new level of certification recognizes the significant resources in infrastructure, staff, and training that comprehensive stroke centers must have to provide state-of-the-art complex stroke care. There are two Hospitals in Broward that hold this certification, Memorial Regional Hospital and Broward Health Medical Center. Table 21 highlights the facilities that received "The Gold Seal of Approval from the Joint Commission" for stroke care and which certification type was received.

Table 21: Stroke-Certified Hospitals & Certification Types, Broward 2025

Hospital	Certification Type
Broward Health Medical Center	Advanced Comprehensive Stroke Center
Broward Hearth Medical Center	Certification
Broward Health Coral Springs	Primary Stroke Center Certified
Broward Health Imperial Point	Primary Stroke Center Certified

Broward Health North	Stroke Rehabilitation Certified
Encompass Health Rehabilitation	Stroke Rehabilitation Certified
Hospital of Sunrise	
HCA Florida University Hospital	Primary Stroke Center Certified
Cleveland Clinic Florida	Ventricular Assist Device Certified
Memorial Hospital Miramar	Primary Stroke Center Certified
Memorial Hospital Pembroke	Primary Stroke Center Certified
Memorial Regional Hospital	Advanced Comprehensive Stroke Center
	Certification
	Ventricular Assist Device Certified

Source: The Joint Commission, 2025 (https://www.jointcommission.org/who-we-are/who-we-work-with/find-accredited-organizations#numberOfResults=25)

Stroke care is just one of the many types of certifications offered for evaluation by the Joint Commission, and it is the most common disease-specific certification received among Broward County hospitals. Non-stroke related certifications received by Broward County hospitals are included in Table 22. This demonstrates other areas of medical excellence recognized by the Joint Commission.

Table 22: Other Certifications Received by Broward Accredited Hospitals, 2025

Hospital	Advanced Certifications Received
Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Sunrise	Brain Injury Rehabilitation Hip Fracture Rehabilitation Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation
Memorial Hospital West	Advanced Total Hip and Total Knee Replacement
Long Term Care Hospitals	
Kindred Hospital – Ft. Lauderdale & Hollywood	Respiratory Failure Sepsis

Source: The Joint Commission, 2025 (https://www.jointcommission.org/who-we-are/who-we-work-with/find-accredited-organizations#numberOfResults=25)

Certifications are also offered to locations where accreditation is not available for that specific clinical setting, but requirements are met upon evaluation, such as behavioral health centers, ambulatory healthcare centers, home care centers, and nursing homes.

The Broward Community and Family Health Centers, Inc. is accredited by the Joint Commission in Comprehensive Ambulatory Health Care and is certified as a Primary Medical Care Home.