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C. L. Brumback Primary Care Clinics Awarded Grants from HRSA, Delta Dental and Partnership for Aging

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) has awarded a \$167,000 grant to the C. L. Brumback Primary Care Clinics for its impactful behavioral health program. The Brumback Clinics have been at the forefront of providing outpatient mental health and substance use disorder treatment in Palm Beach County. The federal grant will help increase staffing and provide additional training to further integrate behavioral health with quality medical services.



“We are thrilled to be recognized for our evidence-based behavioral health program for adults and children,” said Belma Andric, MD, MPH, VP and Chief Medical Officer, VP and Executive

Director of Clinical Services, of the Health Care District of Palm Beach County. “Our team has worked hard to expand access to behavioral health services and provide Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) to combat the opioid epidemic.”

The Brumback Clinics are among the more the 1,200 health centers nationwide to receive the funding to expand mental health and substance use disorder services. HRSA, an agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is the primary federal agency for improving health care to people who are geographically isolated, economically or medically vulnerable.

Seniors in need of dental care as well as underserved adults and children will benefit from oral services and dental equipment thanks to two grants recently awarded to the Brumback Clinics for its four dental clinics in Belle Glade, Delray Beach, Lantana and West Palm Beach, Florida.

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“Good oral health is key to overall health,” said Tamara-Kay Tibby, DMD, MPH, Dental Director for the Brumback Clinics. “These generous grants support our initiatives to expand access to dental care for all Palm Beach County residents.”

On August 9th, the Palm Beach County Partnership for Aging (PFA) presented a \$1,000 grant to Terry Megiveron, Director of FQHC Business Development for the Brumback Clinics. The funds will be used for dental care for patients ages 65 and older.

The Partnership for Aging identifies the issue of dental needs of older adults as a priority in Palm Beach County. Many seniors go hungry and suffer nutritionally due to poor oral health and the inability to chew. Oral surgery, root canals, fillings, cleanings and x-ray exams are some of the services seniors need to stay healthy.

“Access to quality healthcare for seniors is a priority for our organization,” said Pam Wiener, Ph.D., immediate past President of Partnership for Aging. “We thank the Brumback Clinics of the Health Care District of Palm Beach County for their continued support and care for the senior community and their dental needs.”

The Delta Dental Community Care Foundation recently awarded Brumback Clinics a \$53,470 grant to purchase dental equipment and supplies for its four dental clinics.

The grant is one of \$9.6 million donated this past year to improve oral health and access to dental care in 15 states and the District of Columbia, focusing on underserved areas where many families and individuals have trouble accessing affordable care.

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“We’re delighted to collaborate with Brumback Clinics in improving the oral health of underserved children and adults in Palm Beach County,” said Kenzie Ferguson, Executive Director of the Delta Dental Community Care Foundation. “We look forward to building our partnership with the Brumback Clinics and appreciate all the great work they do for the community.”

The C. L. Brumback Primary Care Clinics provide quality medical, dental, behavioral health, and pharmacy services to adults and children with or without insurance. The nine clinic sites throughout Palm Beach County, Florida, along with a mobile health clinic serving the homeless, are Federally Qualified Health Centers owned and operated by the Health Care District of Palm Beach County.

“Our clinics are the front door of our public safety net system,” said Darcy J. Davis, CEO of the Health Care District of Palm Beach County. “We are grateful to HRSA, Delta Dental and the Partnership for Aging for their ongoing recognition of our efforts in providing patients with outstanding medical care.”

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