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**Miami Beach Community Health Center Awarded \$150,000
from Health Foundation of South Florida**

Health center expands again to meet demand for high-quality, affordable health care

MIAMI, Fla. – Miami Beach Community Health Center (MBCHC) has been awarded a grant of \$150,000 from Health Foundation of South Florida to help expand capacity to provide primary health care services to low-income and medically underserved populations in Miami-Dade County. The funds will be used for the newly opened site in Suite 302/304 at the MBCHC North clinic located at 11645 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, FL 33181. The new site has 12 examination rooms and is staffed by three primary care providers, two LPNs, and six medical assistants.

“We are pleased to continue our successful partnership with Health Foundation of South Florida in increasing access to health care in the community,” said Trudy Pacheco, MBCHC’s Director of Grant and Project Development. The Foundation has previously supported expansions in primary care and dental services at MBCHC North. In recent years, the health center has experienced significant and sustained increases in the number of patients served.

MBCHC is a fully integrated ambulatory care medical facility which has been providing primary health care and specialty services, chronic disease management, and support services in Miami-Dade County since 1977. MBCHC is Joint Commission accredited for ambulatory care and laboratory services and certified as a Primary Care Medical Home. The National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) has certified MBCHC at the highest level as a Patient-Centered Medical Home. MBCHC is recognized by the Health Resources and Services Administration as a National Quality Leader for exceeding national clinical quality benchmarks for chronic disease management, preventive care, and perinatal/prenatal care. In 2016 MBCHC provided services to 42,133 unduplicated patients of whom 21.3% were covered by Medicaid, 26.2% were uninsured, and 93.2% had incomes 200% or less of the Federal Poverty Level.

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About Miami Beach Community Health Center: For more 40 years, the Miami Beach Community Health Center has been dedicated to helping the uninsured and underinsured in South Florida obtain affordable, quality medical care. The center has been able to carry out this mission with assistance from both public and private funding sources. For additional information on the Miami Beach Community Health Center, please call: 305.538.8835 or visit www.MBCHC.org.

About Health Foundation of South Florida: Health Foundation of South Florida, a nonprofit organization, improves health through community investments for health promotion and preventive services. With leadership and effective partnerships on a national, state and local level, the Foundation advances the ability of residents in Broward, Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties to lead healthier lives. Since its founding in 1993, the Foundation has worked with more than 400 organizations and awarded over \$120 million. For more information, please call 305.374.7200 or visit www.hfsf.org