Medical Care Subcommittee Meeting
Behavioral Science Research Corporation
2121 Ponce de Leon Boulevard, Suite 240
Coral Gables, FL 33134

July 24, 2026, Minutes

Approved August 28, 2026

#	Members	Present	Absent
1	Dougherty, James		X
2	Friedman, Lawrence	X	
3	Gonzalez, Yvette		X
4	Miller, Juliet	X	
5	Rojas, Vanessa	X	
6	Romero, Javier	X	
7	Serrano-Irizarry, Yendi		X
8	Ysea, Cristhian A.	X	
Quorum: 3			

Guests	
Gonzalez de Obando, Tivisay	
Palacios, Carlos	
Staff	
Ladner, Robert	Meizoso, Marlen

All documents referenced in these minutes were accessible to both members and the general public prior to and during the meeting, at https://partnershipmiami.org/partnership/#mcsc1.

I. Call to Order *Cristhian Ysea*

Cristhian Ysea, the Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. He introduced himself, provided an overview of the work for the day's meeting, and welcomed everyone.

II. Introductions *All*

Mr. Ysea requested that members, guests, and staff introduce themselves.

III. Meeting Housekeeping *Cristhian Ysea*

Mr. Ysea reviewed the streamlined meeting housekeeping summary.

IV. Floor Open to the Public *Dr. Lawrence Friedman*

Dr. Lawrence Friedman, Vice Chair, read the following:

"Pursuant to Florida Sunshine Law, I want to provide the public with a reasonable opportunity to be heard on any item on our agenda today. If there is anyone who wishes to be heard, I invite you to speak now. Each person will be given three minutes to speak. Please begin by stating your name and address for the record before you talk about your concerns. BSR has a dedicated phone line and email for statements to be read into the record. No statements were received."

There were no comments, so the floor was closed.

V. Review/Approve Agenda *All*

The Subcommittee reviewed the agenda and made one change. Tivisay Gonzalez de Obando will provide the Part A report in place of Carla Valle-Schwenk. Dr. Friedman indicated he needed to leave early so any items with his name would be addressed by the chair.

Motion to accept the agenda as discussed.
Moved: Dr. Lawrence Friedman   Seconded: Dr. Javier Romero   Motion: Passed

VI. Review/Approve Minutes of May 15, 2026 *All*

Members reviewed the minutes of May 15, 2026, and no changes were requested.

Motion to accept the minutes of May 15, 2026, as presented.
Moved: Dr. Lawrence Friedman   Seconded: Dr. Vanessa Rojas   Motion: Passed

VII. Reports

- **Ryan White Program** *Tivisay Gonzalez de Obando*

Tivisay Gonzalez de Obando referenced the May 2026 FY 2026 Ryan White Program utilization report , which was posted online. In addition, final utilization and expenditures for FY 2025 were included in meeting materials. Contracts are being finalized, and a few have been executed, but no expenditure reports have been generated. Carla Valle-Schwenk, Clarisol Nielsen, and Trevor Cunningham from the Recipient's office will be attending the Ryan White Conference in August. The Ryan White Part A/MAI Requests for Proposals for direct services and quality management and staff support, are under development and will be released soon for services to start March 1, 2027.

- **ADAP Report** *Dr. Javier Romero*

Dr. Javier Romero reviewed the June 2026 ADAP report, which indicated enrollments, pharmacy expenditures and utilization. A new data element was noted on the report, "ee", which indicates eligibility expiration. Expenses are half of what was expended last year. The number of copay clients is down to 1,778 since only copays/deductibles are being paid. Case managers need to update any insurance information on clients. As previously reported, additional funding was allocated to ADAP by the state. A cap of 21,000 direct dispense clients for the whole state was also instituted. As of last week, there were a total of 18,400 direct dispense clients. Clients must ensure that they are not closed in the program and must re-enroll on time. Clients with a Caremark card must use it to keep their eligibility in the program. A budget review study is going to be conducted on the ADAP program by the state with results due in January. Biktarvy® and Descovy® are back on the ADAP formulary.

- **Vacancy Report** *Marlen Meizoso*

Marlen Meizoso reviewed the current vacancies, which indicated several membership opportunities on the Partnership and the Subcommittee. Currently, on the Subcommittee, there are vacancies for a pharmacist, physician, mental health professional, and members living with HIV. An application was received for Carlos Palacios, pharmacist, who was a former member interested in rejoining. Mr. Palacios expressed his interest and elaborated on his background. The Subcommittee voted to recommend his membership.

Motion to recommend Carlos Palacios as a member of the Medical Care Subcommittee.
Moved: Dr. Lawrence Friedman Seconded: Dr. Vanessa Rojas Motion: Passed

- **Partnership Report** *Dr. Lawrence Friedman*

The Partnership Report was shared and detailed the motions approved at this month's Partnership meeting.

VIII. <u>Standing Business</u>

- **Oral Health Care Items**

All

- **Request of Codes D0602, D0603, D9110, and D0171**

A request was received to add four oral health codes to the Ryan White Oral Health Care F.ormulary:

1. D0602 – caries risk assessment (moderate risk)
2. D0603 – caries risk assessment (high risk)
3. D9110 – palliative treatment of dental pain, and
4. D0171 – post operative re-evaluation.

Codes D0602 and D0603 are preventive codes; code d09110 is an adjunctive general service; and code D0171 is a diagnostic code. The former Oral Health Care Workgroup was asked to review these proposed new dental codes and indicated the "codes are useful in our formulary". The Subcommittee was provided with the tentative cost for each code: D0171 would be $82, D0602 would be $82, D0603 would be $83, and D9110 would be $155. The Subcommittee felt that codes D9110 and D0171 would be a good enhancement for the oral health care clients and made a motion to approve those codes. They questioned the need for codes D0602 and D0603. Additional information was requested on codes D0602 and D0603 including:

- What components comprise each code that another assessment could not cover?
- When were the codes originally approved by the American Dental Association (ADA)?

- **Implants Utilization and Feasibility**

The Recipient has indicated that there are issues with providing implants. Some clients require additional procedures which the current provider cannot perform. The current provider of implant services was invited to today's meeting, but did not respond. Staff will invite them to next month's meeting.

- **Allowable Conditions Response to “Dear Colleague” Letter Continued** *All*

The Subcommittee continued its structured review of the allowable conditions for items from Ear, Nose, and Throat (ENT) Otolaryngology to Hematology and Oncology specialty using the Open Evidence AI generated literature review and updating the review tool. The remaining conditions for review will be presented at the next meeting and are expected to be completed by the September meeting.

- **Ryan White Prescription Drug Formulary** *All*

This item was being reviewed as one of the components of contingency planning and was deferred last month. The Subcommittee reviewed an updated version of the formulary with the ARV’s (in pink) where placed on top of the document, and remaining items sorted as indicated on the header. The Subcommittee requested additional edits to the document removing the bolded items, adding notations on the red and blue items, and removing the highlighting. A revised draft will be presented at the next meeting.

- **2026 Calendar of Activities** *All*

Staff reviewed the latest version of the calendar of activities based on the tasks from today. Oral health care items and other items will be updated for next month’s agenda.

IX. New Business

There were no new business items.

X. Announcements and Open Discussion *All*

Staff projected the latest HRSA program letter regarding nutritional services supporting Ryan White clients.

There were no open discussion items.

XI. Next Meeting *Cristhian Ysea*

The next meeting is now scheduled for Friday, August 28, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. at the BSR conference room.

XII. Adjournment *Cristhian Ysea*

Mr. Ysea thanked everyone for participating and adjourned the meeting at 11:23 a.m.