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**SUMMARY OF REQUEST**

**DATE:** April 24, 2024

**FACILITY:** Broward Health Medical Center

**SUBJECT:** Medical Staff Board Items

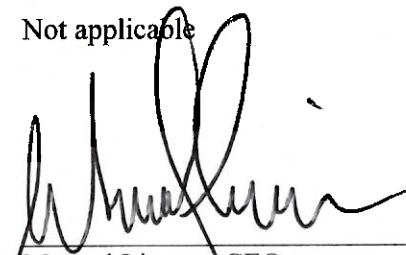
**REQUEST:** Approve recommendations as exhibited from the Medical Executive Committee of Broward Health Medical Center


**FISCAL IMPACT:** Not applicable


**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** See Attached

**LEGAL REVIEW:** Not applicable

**APPROVED:**

 4/15/24  
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Manuel Linares, CEO Date  
Regional Chief Executive Officer

  
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Janice Benggio  
04/17/2024 15:36 EDT Date  
Janice Benggio, FACHE  
Medical Staff Director

  
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Shane Strum  
04/18/2024 06:21 EDT Date  
Shane Strum  
President and CEO

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Board of Commissioners  
**FROM:** Sunil Kumar, MD  
**DATE:** April 24, 2024  
**SUBJECT:** Medical Staff Board Items

The Medical Executive Committee at Broward Health Medical Center, at its monthly meeting on April 9, 2024, approved the recommendations as exhibited for the following:

Medical Staff appointments and modifications  
Medical Staff reappointments

Allied Health appointments and modifications  
Allied Health reappointments

Medical Staff Committee Appointment / Changes

I, Sunil Kumar, MD, Chief of Staff at Broward Health Medical Center, do hereby attest that all pertinent and required information has been received and verified for providers being submitted to the Board of Commissioners for approval.

**Therefore, it is requested that the Board of Commissioners of the North Broward Hospital District approve these recommendations as submitted by the Medical Executive Committee at Broward Health Medical Center.**

Chief of Staff: \_\_\_\_\_



Date: \_\_\_\_\_

4/11/2024

**BROWARD HEALTH REPORT TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MEDICAL STAFF AND ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Broward Health Coral Springs                        X   Broward Health Medical Center  
\_\_\_\_\_ Broward Health Imperial Point                      \_\_\_\_\_ Broward Health North

**The following Medical Staff Committees:**

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE: April 2, 2024, MEDICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: April 9, 2024

**Approved MEC New Business:**

The MEC approved reports presented for Focused Professional Practice Evaluation (FPPE) and Ongoing Professional Practice Evaluations (OPPE).

**Recommended the following New Members - Medical Staff:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Primary</u>
1. Sumair Husain, MD	Medicine	Telemedicine Neurology	BHMC
2. Julie Jacobs, MD	Emergency Medicine	Pediatric Emergency Medicine	BHMC
3. Edgar Pereira, MD	Medicine	Interventional Neurology	BHN
4. David Romero-Fischmann, MD	Medicine	Pulmonary Medicine	BHIP

**Recommended the following New Members – Advance Practice Providers:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Primary</u>
1. Cassandra Chitopoulos, PA-C	Medicine	Physician Assistant	Yared Aklilu, MD	BHCS
2. Katherine Gillespie, CNM	ObGyn	Nurse Midwife	Nadia Mileo, MD	BHMC
3. Marsc Mertilus, CRNA	Surgery	Nurse Anesthetist	Edward Czinn, MD	BHCS
4. Bethany Vigroux, PA-C	Surgery	Physician Assistant	Maria De La Pena, MD	BHMC

**Recommended the following Medical Staff for Broward HealthPoint:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Requested Privilege(s)</u>
1. Katina Brown-Burgess, DO	ObGyn	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Obstetrics & Gynecology

**Recommended the following Allied Health for Broward HealthPoint:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Sponsor(s)</u>
1. Nancy Gavilanes, APRN	ObGyn	Nurse Practitioner	Katina Brown-Burgess, DO

**Recommend the following Addition of Privileges:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Requested Privilege(s)</u>
1. Ashley Buono, CNM	ObGyn	Nurse Midwife	BrowardHealth Point CNM
2. Melissa Caparrelli, CNM	ObGyn	Nurse Midwife	BrowardHealth Point CNM
3. Najee Holmes, CNM	ObGyn	Nurse Midwife	BrowardHealth Point CNM
4. Imelda Jean-Pierre, CNM	ObGyn	Nurse Midwife	BrowardHealth Point CNM
5. Michelle Roachford, CNM	ObGyn	Nurse Midwife	BrowardHealth Point CNM
6. Elisa Wolfe, CNM	ObGyn	Nurse Midwife	BrowardHealth Point CNM

**Recommended the following Deletion of Privileges:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Deleted Privilege(s)</u>
1. None			

**Recommended the following Status Changes:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Current Status</u>	<u>Status Requested</u>
1. Burton Danoff, MD	ObGyn	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Sr. Active	Honorary
2. Harry Moon, MD	Surgery	Plastic Surgery	Courtesy	Consulting

**Recommended the following Addition of Sponsor:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Sponsor Added</u>
1. Sajini Binoy, APRN	Surgery	Nurse Practitioner	Shaye Moskowitz, MD; Carlos Casas-Reyes, MD; Ali Ghods, MD
2. Elizabeth Elliott, PA-C	Medicine	Physician Assistant	Sandeep Jain, DO
3. Magalie Pierre, APRN	ObGyn	Nurse Practitioner	Katina Brown-Burgess, DO

**Recommended the following Deletion of Sponsor:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Sponsor Deleted</u>
1. Sajini Binoy, APRN	Surgery	Nurse Practitioner	Sunil Kumar, MD
2. Magalie Pierre, APRN	ObGyn	Nurse Practitioner	Maxine Hamilton, MD

**Recommended the following Change in Primary Region:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>New Primary Region</u>
1. None			

**Recommended the following Medical Staff Reappointments and Status Changes:  
Reappointment Cycle: 04/24/2024 – 03/31/2026**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Current Status</u>	<u>Recommended Status</u>
1. Marcelle Abell-Rosen, MD	Medicine	Internal Medicine	Active	Active
2. Sultana Alkon, MD	Pediatrics	Pediatrics	Active	Active
3. Noel Alonso, MD	Emergency Medicine	Pediatric Emergency Medicine	Active	Active
4. Cheryl Atherley-Todd, MD	Family Medicine	Family Medicine	Affiliate	Affiliate
5. Brian Auster, MD	Radiology	Radiology/Interventional Radiology	Active	Active
6. Tye Barber, DO	Family Medicine	Family Medicine	Active	Active
7. Arlene Boykin, MD	Pediatrics	Neonatology/Pediatrics	Consulting	Consulting
8. Jerry Capote, MD	Medicine	Pulmonary/Critical Care Medicine	Provisional	Active
9. Joseph Catino, MD	Surgery	Trauma/General Surgery	Active	Courtesy
10. Judith Cornely, DO	Pediatrics	Pediatrics	Active	Courtesy
11. Sidney Coupet, MD	Medicine	Internal Medicine	Active	Active
12. Venu Devabhaktuni, MD	Pediatrics	Pediatric Critical Care	Active	Active
13. Youmna Distefano, MD	Surgery	Pain Management	Courtesy	Courtesy
14. Eduardo Fernandez-Vicioso, MD	Medicine	Radiation Oncology	Consulting	Consulting
15. Enzo Garcia, MD	Pediatrics	Pediatric Critical Care	Courtesy	Courtesy
16. Jason Gould, MD	Surgery	Orthopaedic Surgery	Courtesy	Courtesy
17. Sun Hsieh, MD	Surgery	Plastic Surgery	Provisional	Courtesy
18. Mudit Jain, MD	Medicine	Endocrinology	Courtesy	Active
19. Scott Jordan, MD	ObGyn	Gynecologic Oncology	Active	Active
20. Daniel Klinger, MD	Surgery	Neurosurgery	Provisional	Active
21. Isidoro Lezcano, MD	Surgery	Anesthesiology	Courtesy	Courtesy
22. Viviana Lorda Seijo, MD	Pathology	Pathology	Active	Courtesy
23. Mazhar Majid, MD	Medicine	Cardiology/Interventional Cardiology/Internal Medicine	Active	Active
24. Barry Mark, MD	Medicine	Allergy/Immunology	Consulting	Consulting
25. David Mateo, MD	ObGyn	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Active	Courtesy
26. Harry Moon, MD	Surgery	Plastic Surgery	Courtesy	Consulting
27. *Barrington Murray, MD	ObGyn	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Active	Active *04/24/2024 – 03/31/2025*
28. Stephane Otmezguine, MD	Surgery	Anesthesiology	Active	Active
29. Yordanka Reyna, MD	Medicine	Cardiology	Active	Active
30. Gary Richmond, MD	Medicine	Pulmonary Medicine	Sr. Active	Sr. Active
31. Raghav Seth, MD	Medicine	Cardiology/Interventional Cardiology/Internal Medicine	Courtesy	Courtesy
32. Amy Sonnenblick, MD	ObGyn	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Courtesy	Active
33. Mario Tano, MD	Pediatrics	Pediatric Gastroenterology	Provisional	Active
34. Kenneth Taylor, MD	Surgery	Orthopaedic Surgery/Sports Medicine	Courtesy	Courtesy
35. Ruben Vallejo, MD	Psychiatry	Psychiatry	Sr. Active	Sr. Active
36. Tiffannie Walker-Reddick, MD	ObGyn	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Provisional	Active

**Recommended the following AHP Reappointments and Status Changes:  
Reappointment Cycle: 04/24/2024 – 03/31/2026**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Sponsor(s)</u>
1. Ann Emmonette, APRN-CNM	ObGyn	Nurse Midwife	J. Hechtman, MD; G. Abel-Bey, MD; M. Spence, MD
2. Erin Gilbert, APRN-CNM	ObGyn	Nurse Midwife	D. Skeete-Henry, MD
3. Jonathan Gildin, PA-C	Surgery	Physician Assistant	K. Herskowitz, MD; F. Catinella, MD
4. Wanda Silva, APRN	Medicine	Nurse Practitioner	S. Satija, MD; J. Nieves, MD

**Recommended the following Medical Staff Leave of Absence:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Current Status</u>	<u>Recommended Status (LOA I or LOA II)</u>
1. None				

**Recommended the following Allied Health Professional Leave of Absence:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Current Status</u>	<u>Status (LOA I or LOA II)</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
1. None					

**Accepted the following Resignations – Medical Staff:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Specialty</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
1. Darian Arman, MD	Emergency Medicine	Emergency Medicine	04/10/2024
2. Cindy Davis, MD	Pathology	Pathology	10/01/2023
3. Hilda De Gaetano, MD	Pediatrics	Pediatrics	03/18/2024
4. Bryant Mauri, DO	Medicine	Internal Medicine	03/20/2024
5. Hung Nguyen, MD	Psychiatry	Psychiatry	04/24/2024
6. Lata Santa Ines, MD	ObGyn	Obstetrics & Gynecology	03/28/2024

**Accepted the following Resignations – Allied Health Professional:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Specialty</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
1. Stacy Dorado, PA-C	Surgery	Physician Assistant	03/18/2024
2. Laura Paglia, CRNA	Surgery	Nurse Anesthetist	03/01/2024
3. Monique Stewart, PA-C	Surgery	Physician Assistant	03/19/2024

**Medical Staff Committee Appointment / Changes:**

**Medical Peer Review Committee**

**Added:** Ndubuisi Okafor, MD

**Removed:** Stanley Linder, DO

**Medical Staff Department Officers Appointments:**

**Department of Family Medicine**

Chair: France Occy, DO

Vice Chair: Rebecca Cherner, DO

**Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology**

Chair: Katina Brown-Burgess, DO

Vice Chair: Sasha Davidson, MD

Secretary: Scott Jordan, MD

**Medical Staff Leadership Officers**

Chief of Staff: Michael Ruddy, MD

Vice Chief of Staff: Ruchir Chokshi, MD

Secretary/Treasurer: Kenneth Zelnick, MD

## Broward Health – Credentialing Abstract – Medical Staff Applicant

**Name:** Sumair Husain, MD

**Date of Birth:** 03/23/1982

**Citizenship:** US

**Primary Facility:** Broward Health Medical Center

**Other Broward Health Facilities:** Broward Health Coral Springs  
Broward Health North

**Specialty(ies)** Telemedicine Neurology

**Dept. at Primary Facility:** Medicine

**Secondary Facility Depts.:** Medicine

**Practice Name:** Specialty Care  
Website: [www.specialtycareus.com](http://www.specialtycareus.com)

**Primary Address Information:** 3 Maryland Farms  
Suite 200  
Brentwood, TN 37027-5005  
Phone: 615-345-5450  
Fax: 888-468-6603  
Email: [rnpcredentialing@specialtycare.net](mailto:rnpcredentialing@specialtycare.net)

**ECFMG:** Number: 0-706-368-8  
Date Issued: 10/03/2011

**Medical/Professional School:** International Medical and Technological University (IMTU)  
Dar es Salaam, Tanzania  
From: 12/01/2000  
To: 09/05/2005  
Degree: MBBS

**Foreign Hospital Affiliations/Work History:** Jaffer Shariff Clinic/Medwin Hospital  
Amberpet, Hyderabad, India  
From: 10/01/2005  
To: 05/31/2011  
Specialty: General Medical Officer

**Gap:** Volunteer clinical research while studying and preparing for ECFMG  
From: 06/01/2011  
To: 06/30/2014

**Residency:** Wayne State University/Detroit Medical Center  
Detroit, MI  
From: 07/01/2014  
To: 06/30/2015  
Specialty: EEG/Epilepsy Pediatric Neurology

**Research:** Thomas Jefferson University Hospital/Nemours Childrens Hospital  
Wilmington, DE  
From: 07/01/2015  
To: 05/31/2017  
Specialty: Epilepsy/Europhysiology

Sumair Husain, MD

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**Residency:** Thomas Jefferson University Hospital/Nemours Childrens Hospital  
Wilmington, DE  
From: 06/22/2017  
To: 06/30/2019  
Specialty: Pediatrics

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital/Nemours Childrens Hospital  
Wilmington, DE  
From: 08/06/2019  
To: 08/05/2022  
Specialty: Child Neurology

**Fellowship:** Thomas Jefferson University Hospital/Nemours Childrens Hospital  
Philadelphia, PA  
From: 08/06/2022  
To: 08/05/2023  
Specialty: Clinical Neurophysiology

**Gap:** Studying for boards and preparing for new employment.  
From: 08/06/2023  
To: 11/04/2023

**Hospital Affiliations/Work History:** Specialty Care  
Brentwood, TN  
From: 11/05/2023  
To: Present  
Specialty: Telemedicine Neurology

HCA Florida Mercy Hospital  
Miami, FL  
From: 12/12/2023  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida University Hospital  
Davie, FL  
From: 12/13/2023  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida Trinity Hospital  
Trinity, FL  
From: 12/14/2023  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital  
Tamarac, FL  
From: 12/14/2023  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida St. Lucie Hospital  
Port St. Lucie, FL  
From: 12/18/2023  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

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### Hospital Affiliations/Work History: (cont'd)

South County Mental Health Center  
Delray Beach, FL  
From: 01/01/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida West Hospital  
Pensacola, FL  
From: 01/09/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida Fort Walton-Destin Hospital  
Fort Walton Beach, FL  
From: 01/16/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida Lake Monroe Hospital  
Sanford, FL  
From: 01/16/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida Memorial Hospital  
Jacksonville, FL  
From: 01/22/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida Orange Park Hospital  
Orange Park, FL  
From: 01/22/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida Twin Cities Hospital  
Niceville, FL  
From: 01/22/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida Gulf Coast Hospital  
Panama City, FL  
From: 01/23/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

West Boca Medical Center  
Boca Raton, FL  
From: 01/23/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

Delray Medical Center  
Delray Beach, FL  
From: 01/24/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology



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### Hospital Affiliations/Work History: (cont'd)

HCA Florida Palms West Hospital  
Loxahatchee, FL  
From: 01/24/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

StoneSprings, Hospital Center  
Dulles, VA  
From: 01/24/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

Lee Health - Cape Coral Hospital  
Cape Coral, FL  
From: 02/09/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

Lee Health – Golisano Childrens Hospital of Southwest Florida  
Fort Myers, FL  
From: 02/09/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

Lee Health – Health Park Medical Center  
Fort Myers, FL  
From: 02/09/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

Skyline Medical Center  
Nashville, TN  
From: 02/13/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

Centennial Medical Center – HCA  
Nashville, TN  
From: 02/15/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

First Coast Surgery Center  
Jacksonville, FL  
From: 02/15/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

Blue Ridge Surgery Center - HCA  
Salem, VA  
From: 02/20/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Hendersonville Medical Center  
Hendersonville, TN  
From: 02/20/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

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### Hospital Affiliations/Work History: (cont'd)

Southern Hills Medical Center  
Nashville, TN  
From: 02/20/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

CJW Medical Center – HCA  
Richmond, VA  
From: 02/21/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida Aventura Hospital  
Aventura, FL  
From: 02/22/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

HCA Florida Osceola Hospital  
Kissimmee, FL  
From: 02/22/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

Henrico Doctor's Hospital  
Richmond, VA  
From: 02/28/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

Tri Cities Hospital  
Hopewell, VA  
From: 02/28/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

Spotsylvania Regional Medical Center  
Fredericksburg, VA  
From: 03/06/2024  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neurology

### Board Certification:

Board: American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology  
Specialty: Neurology  
Eligible Date: 08/05/2023  
MSO Reverification Date: N/A  
Eligible Expiration: 08/05/2030

Board: American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology  
Specialty: Clinical Neurophysiology  
Eligible Date: 08/05/2023  
MSO Reverification Date: N/A  
Eligible Expiration: 08/05/2030

## Broward Health – Credentialing Abstract – Medical Staff Applicant

**Name:** **Julie Jacobs, MD**

**Date of Birth:** 05/20/1980

**Citizenship:** US

**Primary Facility:** Broward Health Medical Center

**Other Broward Health Facilities:** None

**Specialty(ies)** Pediatric Emergency Medicine

**Dept. at Primary Facility:** Emergency Medicine

**Secondary Facility Depts.:** None

**Practice Name:** Envision Physician Services  
Website: [www.envision.com](http://www.envision.com)

**Primary Address Information:** 1600 S. Andrews Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316  
Phone: 954-355-5710  
Fax: 954-712-7948  
Email: [Kim.Durcan@envisionhealth.com](mailto:Kim.Durcan@envisionhealth.com)

**ECFMG:** N/A

**Medical/Professional School:** Georgia Regents University – Medical College of Georgia  
Augusta, GA  
From: 08/18/2008  
To: 05/10/2013  
Degree: MD

**Residency:** Augusta University  
Augusta, GA  
From: 07/01/2013  
To: 06/30/2016  
Specialty: Pediatrics

**Residency:** Augusta University  
Augusta, GA  
From: 07/01/2016  
To: 06/30/2019  
Specialty: Pediatric Emergency Medicine

**Fellowship:** N/A

**Hospital Affiliations/  
Work History:** Ascension Florida Sacred Heart Pensacola  
Pensacola, FL  
From: 07/24/2019  
To: Present  
Specialty: Pediatric Emergency Medicine

**Board Certification:** Board: American Board of Pediatrics  
Specialty: Pediatrics  
Certification Date: 10/20/2016  
MOC Reverification Date: 02/15/2025  
Certification Expiration: N/A

Julie Jacobs, MD

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**Board Certification: (cont'd)**

Board:	American Board of Pediatrics
Specialty:	Pediatric Emergency Medicine
Certification Date:	04/06/2021
MOC Reverification Date:	02/15/2025
Certification Expiration:	N/A

## Broward Health – Credentialing Abstract – Medical Staff Applicant

**Name:** **Edgard Pereira, MD**

**Date of Birth:** 07/20/1955

**Citizenship:** US

**Primary Facility:** Broward Health North

**Other Broward Health Facilities:** Broward Health Medical Center

**Specialty(ies)** Neurology

**Dept. at Primary Facility:** Medicine

**Secondary Facility Depts.:** Medicine

**Practice Name:** Broward Health Physician Group

**Primary Address Information:** 1801 W Sample Road  
Suite 101  
Deerfield Beach, FL 33064  
Phone: 954-888-3800  
Fax: 954-888-3808

**ECFMG:** Number: 0-486-616-6  
Date Issued: 04/15/1983

**Medical/Professional School:** Foundation Federal Faculty of Medical Sciences of Porto Alegre  
Porto Alegre, Brazil  
From: 03/03/1975  
To: 03/03/1982  
Degree: MD

**Gap:** Attending physician at multiple hospital in Porto Alegre Brazil  
From: 04/16/1983  
To: 12/31/1991

SUNY at Buffalo **\*\*Unable to verify – Record unavailable\*\***  
Buffalo, NY  
From: 07/01/1991  
To: 06/30/1993  
Specialty: Physiology

**Research Fellow:** University of Arizona  
Tucson, AZ  
From: 07/01/1993  
To: 06/30/1994  
Specialty: Clinical Neurophysiology (EMG)

**Internship:** University of Arizona  
Tucson, AZ  
From: 07/01/1994  
To: 06/30/1995  
Specialty: Internal Medicine

**Residency:** Albert Einstein College of Medicine  
Bronx, NY  
From: 07/01/1995  
To: 06/30/1998  
Specialty: Neurology

Edgard Pereira, MD

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**Fellowship:** New York University Medical Center  
New York, NY  
From: 07/01/1998  
To: 06/30/2000  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

**Gap** Relocated from New York to Virginia  
From: 07/01/2000  
To: 02/28/2001

**Hospital Affiliations/  
Work History:** Winchester Medical Center  
Winchester, VA  
From: 03/16/2001  
To: 09/24/2001  
Specialty: Neurology

**Gap:** Traveling abroad, change of visa status, medical licensing, and credentialing  
From: 10/30/2001  
To: 04/01/2002

**Hospital Affiliations/  
Work History:** University of Louisville  
Louisville, KY  
From: 04/01/2002  
To: 03/31/2006  
Title: Instructor

University of Louisville Hospital  
Louisville, KY  
From: 08/01/2002  
To: 04/30/2010  
Specialty: Radiology

Norton Hospital Healthcare  
Louisville, KY  
From: 01/01/2007  
To: 10/01/2009  
Specialty: Staff Physician

HCA Florida JFK Hospital  
Atlantis, FL  
From: 08/27/2009  
To: 11/22/2011  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

HCA Florida Northwest Hospital  
Margate, FL  
From: 01/19/2010  
To: 11/15/2011  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

HCA Florida Aventura Hospital  
Aventura, FL  
From: 07/12/2011  
To: 10/21/2021  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

HCA Florida Mercy Hospital formerly Plantation General Hospital  
Miami, FL  
From: 04/18/2012  
To: 04/19/2018  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

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### Hospital Affiliations/ Work History (cont'd):

HCA Florida Westside Hospital  
Plantation, FL  
From: 12/13/2012  
To: 11/01/2018  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

HCA Florida Kendall Hospital  
Miami, FL  
From: 02/26/2014  
To: 09/04/2020  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

Mount Sinai Medical Center  
Miami Beach, FL  
From: 11/24/2014  
To: 03/15/2016  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

University of Missouri Health Care  
Columbia, MO  
From: 06/22/2018  
To: 04/30/2019  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

Research Medical Center  
Kansas City, MO  
From: 07/20/2018  
To: 07/31/2021  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

HCA Florida Orange Park Hospital  
Orange Park, FL  
From: 08/08/2018  
To: 12/08/2018  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

HCA Florida Lawnwood Hospital  
Fort Pierce, FL  
From: 08/08/2018  
To: 08/07/2020  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

HCA Florida North Florida Hospital  
Gainesville, FL  
From: 01/25/2019  
To: 01/11/2021  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

HCA Florida Ocala Hospital  
Ocala, FL  
From: 03/27/2019  
To: 03/26/2021  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

HCA Florida Fawcett Hospital  
Port Charlotte, FL  
From: 08/26/2020  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

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**Hospital Affiliations/  
Work History (cont'd):**

HCA Florida Blake Hospital  
Bradenton, FL  
From: 09/16/2020  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

HCA Florida Bayonet Point Hospital  
Hudson, FL  
From: 06/28/2023  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

Research Medical Center  
Kansas City, MO  
From: 08/01/2023  
To: Present  
Specialty: Neuroradiology

**Board Certification:**

Board: American Board of Psychiatry & Neurology  
Specialty: Neurology  
Certification Date: 09/19/2022  
MOC Reverification Date: 03/01/2025  
Certification Expiration: N/A



## Broward Health – Credentialing Abstract – Medical Staff Applicant

**Name:** David Romero-Fischmann, MD

**Date of Birth:** 10/25/1956

**Citizenship:** US

**Primary Facility:** Broward Health Imperial Point

**Other Broward Health Facilities:** Broward Health Coral Springs  
Broward Health Medical Center  
Broward Health North

**Specialty:** Pulmonary Disease  
Critical Care Medicine

**Dept. at Primary Facility:** Medicine

**Secondary Facility Depts.:** Medicine  
Medicine  
Medicine

**Practice Name:** George Azar, MD PA  
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**Medical/Professional School:** School of Medicine (Facultad de Medicina - USFX)  
Sucre, Bolivia  
From: 03/01/1983  
To: 07/31/1990  
Degree: MD

**ECFMG:** Number: 0-501-105-1  
Date Issued: 10/25/1995

**Research:** Albert Einstein Medical Center  
Philadelphia, PA  
From: 01/01/1992  
To: 04/30/1995  
Specialty: Internal Medicine

**Gap:** Studied and prepared for ECFMG. Awaiting the start of residency program.  
From: 05/01/1995  
To: 05/31/1996

**Residency:** Mount Sinai Medical Center  
Miami, FL  
From: 06/01/1996  
To: 06/30/1999  
Specialty: Internal Medicine

**Hospital Affiliations/  
Work History:** Internal Medicine Private Practice  
Melbourne, FL  
From: 06/01/1999  
To: 06/30/2000  
Specialty: Internal Medicine

David Romero-Fischmann, MD

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### Fellowship:

University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Hospital  
Miami, FL  
From: 07/01/2000  
To: 06/30/2003  
Specialty: Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine

Mount Sinai Medical Center  
Miami, FL  
From: 07/01/2003  
To: 06/30/2004  
Specialty: Sleep Medicine

### Hospital Affiliations/ Work History:

Baptist Health South Florida  
Coral Gables, FL  
From: 08/23/2005  
To: 05/09/2008  
Title: Per Diem Physician

HCA Florida Aventura Hospital  
Aventura, FL  
From: 03/16/2006  
To: 10/31/2008  
Specialty: Internal Medicine and Critical Care Medicine

HCA Florida Kendall Hospital  
Miami, FL  
From: 03/06/2009  
To: 02/25/2011  
Specialty: Pulmonary Disease and Critical Care Medicine

Mount Sinai Medical Center of Florida  
Miami, FL  
From: 11/01/2011  
To: 10/01/2018  
Title: Assistant Clinical Professor

HCA Florida Mercy Hospital  
Miami, FL  
From: 03/05/2013  
To: Present  
Specialty: Pulmonary Disease and Critical Care Medicine

Baptist Health – Homestead Hospital  
Homestead, FL  
From: 09/28/2016  
To: 12/31/2017  
Specialty: Critical Care Medicine

Baptist Health – Mariners Hospital  
Tavernier, FL  
From: 01/26/2017  
To: 08/01/2019  
Specialty: Critical Care Medicine

University of Miami  
Miami, FL  
From: 10/01/2018  
To: 05/31/2021  
Title: Assistant Clinical Professor

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### Hospital Affiliations/ Work History:

HCA Florida Kendall Hospital  
Miami, FL  
From: 05/26/2021  
To: Present  
Specialty: Pulmonary Disease and Critical Care Medicine

Baptist Health – South Miami Hospital  
Miami, FL  
From: 07/29/2021  
To: 09/27/2022  
Specialty: Critical Care Medicine

Baptist Health – Baptist Hospital of Miami  
Miami, FL  
From: 10/27/2021  
To: Present  
Specialty: Critical Care Medicine

### Board Certification:

Board: American Board of Internal Medicine  
Specialty: Critical Care Medicine  
Certification Date: 11/12/2018  
MOC Reverification: 04/01/2025  
Certification Expiration: N/A

Board: American Board of Internal Medicine  
Specialty: Pulmonary Disease  
Certification Date: 11/05/2003  
MOC Reverification: 04/01/2025  
Certification Expiration: N/A

## Broward Health – Credentialing Abstract – Allied Health Professional Applicant

**Name:** **Cassandra Chitopoulos, PA-C**

**Date of Birth:** 09/19/1990

**Citizenship:** US

**Primary Facility:** Broward Health Coral Springs

**Other Broward Health Facilities:** Broward Health North  
Broward Health Medical Center  
Broward Health Imperial Point

**Specialty:** Physician Assistant

**Dept. at Primary Facility:** Medicine

**Secondary Facility Depts.:** Medicine

**Physician Sponsorship:** Luis M Barcena Blanch, MD  
Andrew Ryan Martin, MD  
Yared Akililu, MD

**Practice Name:** Akililu and Cobian Infectious Diseases LLC  
Website: <http://akililuandcobian.com/>

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**Professional School:** Nova Southeastern University Physician Asst Program  
Fort Lauderdale, FL  
From: 05/26/2015  
To: 08/31/2017  
Degree: Masters of Medical Science  
Major: Physician Assistant

**Hospital Affiliations/  
Work History:**

Spadafora Slush Shoppe Plus  
Malden, MA  
From: 06/04/2013  
To: 05/17/2018  
Title: Associate

ID Associates of Broward  
Tamarac, FL  
From: 11/29/2017  
To: 08/28/2020  
Title: Physician Assistant

Health South Sunrise Rehabilitation Hospital  
Sunrise, FL  
From: 12/12/2017  
To: 08/29/2020  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

Memorial Hospital Miramar  
Miramar, FL  
From: 01/24/2018  
To: 10/28/2020  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

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**Hospital Affiliations/  
Work History: (cont'd)**

Memorial Hospital West  
Pembroke Pines, FL  
From: 01/24/2018  
To: 10/28/2020  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

HCA Florida Woodmont Hospital  
From: 01/25/2018  
To: 09/16/2020  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

CareWell Urgent Care  
Quincy, MA  
From: 11/19/2020  
To: 01/18/2021  
Title: Physician Assistant

HCA Florida Northwest Hospital  
Margate, FL  
From: 02/17/2021  
To: Present  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

Broward Health Coral Springs  
Coral Springs, FL  
From: 04/28/2021  
To: Present  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

Broward Health North  
Deerfield Beach, FL  
From: 05/26/2021  
To: Present  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

**Board Certification:**

N/A

## Broward Health – Credentialing Abstract – Allied Health Professional Applicant

**Name:** **Katherine Gillespie, CNM**

**Date of Birth:** 03/24/1972

**Citizenship:** US

**Primary Facility:** Broward Health Medical Center

**Other Broward Health Facilities:** None

**Specialty:** Nurse Midwife

**Dept. at Primary Facility:** OBGYN

**Secondary Facility Depts.:** None

**Physician Sponsorship:** Nadia Mileo, MD

**Practice Name:** Feminas OBGYN, LLC  
Website: <https://nadiamileoombogyn.com/>

**Primary Address Information:** 915 Middle River Drive  
#305  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304  
Phone: 954-909-4566  
Fax: 800-694-5921  
Email: [KGillespie@gmail.com](mailto:KGillespie@gmail.com)

**Professional School:** Frontier Nursing University  
Hyden, KY  
From: 04/06/2020  
To: 06/29/2023  
Degree: MSN  
Major: Nurse – Midwifery

**Hospital Affiliations/ Work History:** Broward Health Coral Springs  
Coral Springs, FL  
From: 07/20/2021  
To: Present  
Title: Registered Nurse

**Board Certification:** N/A

## Broward Health – Credentialing Abstract – Allied Health Professional Applicant

**Name:** **Marsc Mertilus, CRNA**

**Date of Birth:** 03/02/1983

**Citizenship:** US

**Primary Facility:** Broward Health Coral Springs

**Other Broward Health Facilities:** Broward Health Imperial Point  
Broward Health Medical Center  
Broward Health North

**Specialty:** Nurse Anesthetist

**Dept. at Primary Facility:** Surgery

**Secondary Facility Depts.:** Surgery

**Physician Sponsorship:** Gladys Cardenas, MD  
Manuel Longo-Llenin, MD  
Edward Czinn, MD  
John Valdes, MD

**Practice Name:** Anesco, LLC  
Website: [www.drivinghp.com](http://www.drivinghp.com)

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**Professional School:** Inter American University of Puerto Rico  
Guayama, PR  
From: 05/30/2016  
To: 12/17/2020  
Degree: MS  
Major: Anesthesia

**Hospital Affiliations/ Work History:** Favorite Healthcare Staffing Inc.  
Overland, KS  
From: 05/27/2020  
To: 11/26/2021  
Specialty: Registered Nurse

United Regional  
Witchita Falls, TX  
From: 08/26/2021  
To: 07/31/2022  
Specialty: Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist

HCA Florida JFK Hospital  
Atlantis, FL  
From: 05/26/2022  
To: 08/12/2022  
Specialty: Certified Nurse Anesthetist

North County Surgicenter  
Palm Beach Gardens, FL  
From: 06/07/2022  
To: 11/15/2022  
Specialty: Certified Nurse Anesthetist

Marsc Mertilus, CRNA

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**Hospital Affiliations/  
Work History (cont'd):**

Broward Health Coral Springs  
Coral Springs, FL  
From: 11/30/2022  
To: Present  
Specialty: Nurse Anesthetist

**Board Certification:**

N/A



## Broward Health – Credentialing Abstract – Allied Health Professional Applicant

**Name:** **Bethany Vigroux, PA-C**

**Date of Birth:** 12/03/1986

**Citizenship:** US

**Primary Facility:** Broward Health Medical Center

**Other Broward Health Facilities:** Broward Health Imperial Point  
Broward Health North  
Broward Health Coral Springs

**Specialty:** Nurse Practitioner

**Dept. at Primary Facility:** Surgery

**Secondary Facility Depts.:** Surgery  
Surgery  
Surgery

**Physician Sponsorship:** Maria De La Pena, MD

**Practice Name:** Spine and Wellness Centers of America  
Website: <https://spinewellnessamerica.com/>

**Primary Address Information:** 4800 NE 20<sup>th</sup> Terrace  
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Fax: 305-974-5553  
Email: [credentialing@spinewellnessamerica.com](mailto:credentialing@spinewellnessamerica.com)

**Professional School:** Stony Brook University  
Stonybrook, NY  
From: 08/01/2009  
To: 06/30/2011  
Degree: Master of Science  
Major: Physician Assistant

**Gap:** Studying for boards, interviewing for jobs, and going through credentialing process.  
From: 07/01/2011  
To: 09/05/2011

**Hospital Affiliations/ Work History:** New York Presbyterian Hospital  
New York, NY  
From: 09/06/2011  
To: 08/17/2013  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

**Gap:** Moved from New York to Florida for a new opportunity.  
From: 08/18/2013  
To: 03/12/2014

**Hospital Affiliations/ Work History:** Memorial Regional Hospital  
Hollywood, FL  
From: 03/13/2014  
To: 02/26/2020  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

**Gap:** Moved from Florida to Massachusetts for a new opportunity. Position put on hold due to COVID.  
From: 02/27/2020  
To: 10/11/2020

Bethany Vigroux, PA-C

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**Hospital Affiliations/  
Work History:** Boston Medical Center  
Boston, MA  
From: 10/12/2020  
To: 03/29/2021  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

**Gap:** Moved from Massachusetts back to Florida for a new opportunity.  
From: 03/30/2021  
To: 09/26/2021

**Hospital Affiliations/  
Work History:** Holy Cross Hospital  
Fort Lauderdale, FL  
From: 09/27/2021  
To: Present  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

Memorial Hospital Pembroke  
Pembroke Pines, FL  
From: 12/20/2023  
To: Present  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

Memorial Hospital West  
Pembroke Pines, FL  
From: 12/20/2023  
To: Present  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

Memorial Regional Hospital  
Hollywood, FL  
From: 12/20/2023  
To: Present  
Specialty: Physician Assistant

**Board Certification:** N/A

## Broward Health – Credentialing Abstract – Allied Health Professional Applicant

**Name:** **Nancy Gavilanes, APRN**

**Date of Birth:** 09/05/1978

**Citizenship:** US

**Primary Facility:** Broward Health Medical Center (Broward HealthPoint)

**Other Broward Health Facilities:** None

**Specialty:** Nurse Practitioner

**Dept. at Primary Facility:** OBGYN

**Secondary Facility Depts.:** None

**Physician Sponsorship:** Katina Brown-Burgess, DO

**Practice Name:** Broward HealthPoint Lauderdale Lakes Women Health Center  
Website: [www.browardhealth.org](http://www.browardhealth.org)

**Primary Address Information:** 3736 W Oakland Park Blvd  
Lauderdale Lakes, FL 33311  
Phone: 954-759-7557  
Fax: 954-733-9155

**Professional School:** Nova Southeastern University  
Fort Lauderdale, FL  
From: 04/01/2014  
To: 08/19/2016  
Degree: MSN  
Major: Family Nurse Practitioner

**Hospital Affiliations/ Work History:**

Memorial Hospital Miramar  
Miramar, FL  
From: 01/06/2011  
To: 11/23/2016  
Title: RN Specialty II

Faris A Hanna MD PA  
Hollywood, FL  
From: 11/28/2016  
To: 09/15/2017  
Specialty: Nurse Practitioner

Living Well OBGYN LLC  
Pembroke Pines, FL  
From: 10/01/2017  
To: 09/14/2022  
Specialty: Nurse Practitioner

Comprehensive Women's Center Corp (Alpha Staff)  
Miramar, FL  
From: 10/03/2022  
To: Present  
Specialty: Nurse Practitioner

**Board Certification:** N/A

Nancy Gavilanes, APRN