Have you ever wondered what those folks in the Planning and Development Department actually do? Well, this is what they do. They bring in vital funding that allows our health center to continue providing needed, high-quality primary and preventive healthcare and supportive services to our Bronx Community. Not too bad for a day’s work, right?

As a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), MHHC receives grant funding from the Health Resources and Services Administration’s (HRSA) Bureau of Primary Health Care, under the Health Center Program, as authorized by Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act. So, what does all of that mean exactly?

This means that, as a funded health center, we are required to serve an underserved area or population, offer a sliding fee scale to users of our services, and provide a comprehensive range of services. It also means that we qualify for enhanced reimbursements from Medicare and Medicaid, receive cost savings of 20-50% on outpatient drug purchases through participation in the 340B Drug Pricing Program, are eligible for protection from claims or suits alleging medical malpractice through the Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA), as well as other crucial benefits.

How do we get funded, you ask? Every 3 years, all FQHCs must COMPETITIVELY apply for 330 funding dollars. Yes, the term “competitive” means that if we are not truly carrying out our mission and treating our patients with the utmost care and respect that they deserve, we could potentially lose this significant stream of funding—not to mention our FQHC status. Thus, on January 6, 2016, MHHC submitted a detailed and comprehensive application for continued Section 330 funding through HRSA’s Service Area Competition grant opportunity, and guess what? We got it!! Over the next three years, MHHC will receive $6,349,788 in year 1 and $6,442,124 in years 2 & 3, for a total of $19,234,036 over the three year grant period.

One hundred percent (100%) of the awarded amount goes toward personnel expenses and primarily covers all, or at least a portion of FTE for provider staff. Now, this doesn’t mean that everyone gets raises (unfortunately), but it does mean that we can continue being “The Caring Place.” The place where quality is more important than quantity. The place where staff lives matter. The place where we care about overall well-being as much as physical health. The place where “the patient is at the center of everything we do.” Let’s continue reaching farther, together.
Celebrating MHHC Professionals

Administrative Professionals

Nursing Staff

Front-Line Support Staff
Welcome to MHHC

“Where the patient is at the center of Everything we do”

New Additions to the MHHC Family
April, 2016

Catherine Vasquez
Family Support Worker
Healthy Families

Dara Herman
Nurse Practitioner
School Health

Irving Segarra
HIM Clerk
HIM

Elizabeth Cabrera
Community Liaison
Marketing

Jacquelyn Reyes
Care Manager
Health Home

Joyce Caeiro-Athayde
Executive Assistant
Operations

Lara Trevino
Nurse Practitioner
Adult Medicine

Yessenia Valentin
Referral Clerk
Operations

Mallelyn Reyes
Patient Navigator
Health Home

Natalie Reyes
Family Support Worker
Department

Pierre Stanton
Maintenance Worker
Facilities

Yoram Rodriguez
Event Planner
Community Based Service
New Additions to the MHHC Family
April, 2016

Rafaela De La Huerta
Nurse Practitioner
Family Medicine

Reyna Velasquez
School Health Asst.
School Health

Geneva Smith
Sterilization Coordinator
Performance Improvement

Lizanne Fontaine
Counsel & Compliance Officer
Compliance

Kristina Jean-Conte
Associate Counsel,
Privacy Officer
& Compliance Admin.
Compliance

Dr. Cheong Lee
Dentist
Dental
New Additions to the MHHC Family
May, 2016

Algenis Ramirez
Business Associate I
Behavioral Health

Archana Arora
Social Worker
School Health

Ceferina Gonzalez
Medical Assistant
Patient Care Services

Elecia O’Hara
Dental Assistant
Dental

Gillian Saunders
Operations Administrator
Operations

Yomaris Santos
Medical Assistant
Specialty Services

Kathryn Louissaint
Health Educator
Family Practice

Kathryn Doepp
Social Worker
School Health
MHHC HEALTH & WELFARE PLANS
Changes Effective July 1, 2016

Open Enrollment
- Medical
- Dental
- Vision NEW
- Voluntary Life Insurance
- Flexible Spending Accounts

Plan to Attend All-Staff Open Enrollment Benefits Meeting to Discuss MHHC Health Plans

Friday, June 3, 2016
8:30am to 9:30am
Via Video Conference Link to all sites

Open Enrollment Meetings will be scheduled at all MHHC sites between June 6 - 17

Contact: Human Resources Ext. 2335; 2327; 2325
Special consideration will be given for the ticket prices paid by staff. Staff can pay for their tickets in installments through payroll deductions. Installment contributions will begin with the April 22nd pay date to be completed by August 26th.

**Cost of Tickets:**

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If you wish to purchase your ticket by payroll deductions, please complete the attached Payroll Deduction Form and return it to Gillian Reyes in Human Resources – EXT. 2327; or Barbara Prevatt EXT. 1994