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New FAU Medical School to partner with three Tenet Hospitals in Palm Beach County.

FAU's Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine and Five Palm Beach County Hospitals Form Consortium for Graduate Medical Education



(l-r) Roger Kirk, Executive Vice President and COO, Bethesda Memorial Hospital; Mitch Feldman, CEO, West Boca Medical Center; Marsha Powers, Tenet Florida Senior Vice President of Operations; Dick Schmidt, Schmidt Family Foundation; Jerry Fedele, President and CEO, Boca Raton Regional Hospital; FAU President Mary Jane Saunders; Dr. Michael L. Friedland, Vice President of Medical Programs and Dean, Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine; Dr. Michael T.B. Dennis, Chair, Advisory Board, Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine; Mark Bryan, CEO, Delray Medical Center; and Davide Carbone, CEO, St. Mary's Medical Center during the GME Consortium agreement signing at FAU.

Officials from Bethesda Memorial Hospital, Boca Raton Regional Hospital, and Tenet's Delray Medical Center, St. Mary's Medical Center and West Boca Medical Center recently signed an agreement to form a Graduate Medical Education Consortium with Florida Atlantic University's Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine. The establishment of this consortium of healthcare providers furthers the University's commitment to increase much needed medical residency positions in Palm Beach County, to ensure that the region will continue to have an adequate and well-trained physician workforce. Medical residencies take between three to seven years to complete depending on the specialty, and are required as part of the training for medical school graduates to become board-certified physicians.

The consortium will provide access to clinical settings for healthcare education, research and patient care services to support and enhance the college's clinical training programs for residents. The consortium will also help ensure that all FAU medical students have the opportunity to interact with residents, a requirement of the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, the national organization that accredits U.S. and Canadian medical schools.