

# Florida Department of Health

Biomedical Research
Advisory Council (BRAC)
Update

## Fiscal Year 2024-25 Appropriations

- James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program \$7.85 million
- Bankhead-Coley Cancer Research Program \$10 million (Includes \$500,000 appropriated annually to the McKnight Brain Institute paid for through this fund)
- Live Like Bella Pediatric Cancer Research Initiative \$3 million



# FY 2024-25 Applications

Program	<b>Applications Received</b>	Recommended for Funding
Bankhead-Coley	142	13
James and Esther King	59	10
Live Like Bella	26	9
Total	227	32



#### The Florida Cancer Centers of Excellence

- Applications for initial or redesignation were received for the following:
  - Mayo Clinic Florida
  - Memorial Cancer Institute and Florida Atlantic University
  - Mount Sinai Medical Center
  - Orlando Health
  - Tampa General Hospital
- Evaluation of the applications is ongoing.



### **Current Cancer Centers of Excellence**

- Moffitt Cancer Center
- University of Miami Sylvester Cancer Center
- UF Health Cancer Center (includes UF Shands Hospital, UF Health Proton Therapy Institute and Orlando Health's Orlando Regional Medical Center)
- Mayo Clinic Jacksonville
- Memorial Cancer Institute and Florida Atlantic University
- Cleveland Clinic Florida Maroone Cancer Center



## **BRAC Strategic Planning:2026-2036**

- Current Strategic Plan for BRAC priorities completed in 2015
- New planning process initiated in Fall, 2024
  - Selection of priorities
  - Plan for adaptability as technology/new treatments emerge
  - Alignment with CCRAB and State Health Improvement Plan Objectives
- Plan expected to be completed by June 2026



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