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Mr. Brodie was raised in Miami and graduated from Miami Palmetto High School. After graduating from State University at Winona, Minnesota, he served in the U.S. Navy. Following military service, he earned a Master's Degree via the GI Bill.

He returned to South Florida and worked for six years at the University of Miami as Assistant Dean of Students. He later founded *American Medical Training Institute*, a nationally accredited, post-secondary health education school and served for nearly 20 years as its Chief Executive Officer.

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