

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE

Children Issues Committee Meeting

Friday, November 17, 2023

10:00am-12:30pm EST



TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (19)	<p><u>Joined In-person Meeting</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Cristina Brito, West Kendall Baptist Hospital (Chair) 2. Esther McCant, Metro Mommy Agency (Co-Chair) 3. Tara Auclair, United Way Miami 4. KeTia Harris, JTCHS 5. Jeff Hurst, DCF 6. Emily Jones, University of Florida 7. William Kelly, More Too Life 8. Marisol F., More Too Life 9. Indiana Lanzas, United Way Miami 10. Andrea Medina, CHS – Healthy Families 11. Suecia Mendez, Sunshine Health 12. Hayly Ojeda, Hope for Miami 13. Stacy Saez, Hope for Miami 14. Frantz Theodore, CMWP 15. Rocio Velazquez, The Children’s Movement of Florida 16. Melody Velez, United Healthcare 17. Wanda Walker, CHI 18. Mary Aquino, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade (Intern) 19. Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade (Committee Liaison) 	
Welcome and Introductions	The November 2023 monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was brought to order by Dr. Cristina Brito and Esther McCant. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.	
Approval of Minutes	There was a motion to approve the September 2023 Children Issues and the October 2023 Healthy Baby Taskforce meeting minutes by Candice Schottenloher, the motion was seconded by Tara Auclair.	
Executive Board Update	Dr. Cristina Brito provided the Executive Board update to the committee. The Executive Board met virtually on Monday, October 2nd, 2023. The Board has voted to cancel their November meeting in preparation for the Consortium’s 20th Anniversary event. A reminder was shared the Consortium is celebrating its 20 th Anniversary which will be hosted at the Miami Dadeland Marriott on Friday, December 1, 2023. Please remember to register for this important milestone event. There has been a total of 35 contracts executed for the Health Equity grant and will be completed in May 2024. It was announced that the American Healthy Weight Alliance opened its fourth food pantry in the Homestead/Florida City community on Saturday, October 14, 2023. This led to the discussion of	

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	<p>Caring for Miami getting ready to launch their mobile food pantry. The committee discussed potential future sites for this mobile food pantry to participate in to serve communities in need in Miami-Dade. Additionally, it was shared the 4th Annual Bounty of Health event will be hosted on Friday, December 15th, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the West Perrine Health Center. This event is free to the community at a first come, first served basis. There will be a free food distribution by Farm Share, health education information and resources available. For more information, please follow us on social media, visit our website, or contact the committee liaison. It was also noted to please share this event with your networks and clients you serve.</p>	
<p>Healthy Baby Taskforce Update</p>	<p>The Healthy Baby Taskforce update was provided by Esther McCant. The Healthy Baby Taskforce is a sub-committee of the Children Issues committee. During this meeting, Esther McCant presented on the Healthy Baby Taskforce Highlights for FY 22-23 as well as the work of Metro Mommy Agency with the MOMCHA Program. Other updates were shared the Taskforce last met in October. During the October Taskforce meeting, they had an insightful presentation for Maternal Mental Health Awareness Month and Pregnancy & Infant Loss Awareness Month. The Taskforce has also received approval with recommended changes for both designs of the Healthy Baby, Healthy Corner Store initiative. The palm card and business wallet card were translated in English, Spanish, and Creole. Currently working to update and have Taskforce vote to approve the recommended changes. The Baby Safe Sleep Community Survey is also still active and continues to be shared with the community.</p>	
<p> Previous Action Items Meeting Logistic Reminders Elder Issues Collaboration Discussion </p>	<p>Dr. Cristina Brito led the discussion with the committee members on the 2024 meeting schedule for the committee. The members present discussed they would like to continue to have virtual meetings via Microsoft Teams from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and have once a quarter in-person meetings hosted at the United Way Miami. It was discussed for the in-person meeting to be only in-person and expanded to 2 hours from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. The in-person dates that were voted on include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday, February 16th, 2024 • Friday, June 21st, 2024 • Friday, September 20th, 2024 • Friday, November 15th, 2024 <p>Once these dates have been reserved, updates will be shared with the committee via calendar invites. Additionally, a reminder was shared the Children Issues committee and Healthy Baby Taskforce voted to cancel their December’s meeting due to holiday dates.</p> <p>As previously discussed, Elder Issues Committee is collaborating with the Children Issues Committee to host an inter-generational community walk. The Elder Issues Committee has identified 16 zip codes of interest to host the walk. The Elder Issues Committee conducted a site visit to Deerwood Bonita Lakes Park, which is a park that is within the identified zip codes and already has an older adult program. It was shared to Save the Date for Saturday, January 13, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. It was</p>	

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	noted the committee would have West Kendall Baptist Hospital, United Healthcare, and WIC support at this event. More details will be shared as they become available.	
Performance Measures in Need of Improvement (Work Plan Review)	<p>The committee will further discuss the following work plan activities in 2024. The following indicators are remaining activities that the committee prioritized earlier this year and still need to be completed. These will need to further be discussed and completed by the members. Notes were taken on each of these items discussed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will develop a strategy to increase the use of Telehealth and its services. • By September 30, 2024, will increase the use of the Healthy Kids and Healthy Future Curriculum. • By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will increase from 0 to 2 new Walking School Bus sites. • By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will increase education to childcare providers about food allergies. • By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will fund a children’s book related to Alzheimer’s Disease and related dementias. 	
Recognition of Improved Performance	During this committee meeting, the overall committee work plan progress was highlighted and recognized for its success. This will be further discussed in 2024 as the committee develops their priorities based on the status of the work plan activities.	
Partner Updates	The committee members were able to share and briefly discuss their current work, initiatives, events, and projects as it aligns with the committee goals and work plan activities during the potluck.	
Annual Potluck	The Children Issues Oral Health Committee and Healthy Baby Taskforce members came together to host their annual potluck. During this time partners were able to connect and network. Additionally, during the potluck Esther McCant provided a presentation on the Healthy Baby Taskforce Highlights as well as the work of Metro Mommy Agency with the MOMCHA Program.	
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m. The next Children Issues Committee virtual meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 19, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams. The next Healthy Baby Taskforce virtual meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 19, 2024, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. via Microsoft Teams.	