

**CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE**  
 Children Issues Committee Meeting  
 Friday, November 22, 2013

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (19)	<p>             Alina Soto- Committee Chair, Department of Children and Families              Alfie Leon, Vice-Chair, Florida International University Law              Shanika Watson, Florida Health in Miami Dade County              Mayra Garcia, Florida Health in Miami Dade County              Jeff Hurst, Department of Children &amp; Families/ CCR              Joanne Palenzuela, University of Miami              Dr. Ruby Natale, University of Miami              Anthony Rouzier, Henry Gets Moving              Laura Vallejo, Nova Southeastern University              Lisa Stuart, University of Miami Pediatrics              Catherina Chang Martinez, Florida International University              Monica Hernandez, Florida Health in Miami Dade (WIC)              Sandra Johnson, Florida Health in Miami Dade (WIC)              Victor Bernal, Healthy Matthew              Jael Rodriguez, South Miami Hospital              Maria M. Schrack, University of Miami              Imelda Medina, Familias Unidas              Helga Goebel, Helga Goebel business           </p> <p> <u>TELECONFERENCE:</u>              Tyler Miller, Barry University           </p>	
Welcome and Introductions	<p>             The monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was brought to order by Alina Soto at 10:14A.M.           </p> <p>             All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.           </p>	
Approval of Minutes	<p>             There was a motion to approve the October 2013 Children Issues minutes by Dr. Ruby Natale; the motion was seconded by Alfie Leon.           </p>	

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<p>Work Plan Status Update</p>	<p>From the previous October meeting, the Children Issues committee discussed the process of creating a work plan. Members want to get involved in helping the community. They want to share their gifts and talents with community members that need our services.</p> <p>Dr. Natale, Lisa, Joanne (UM), Jeff (DCF) have put together a suggested child care center list. The technical assistance and committee services will be shared with 5 child care centers, in which the committee voted these centers will be down south. University of Miami and DCF Licensing team are in the child care centers every day and put together the suggested list. Jeff looked at the conditions of the centers. Lisa and Joanne explained how the 5 child care centers down south were chosen. The centers were chosen based on those that participated with the Communities Putting Prevention to Work grant (2010-2013) in which a relationship was already established. Jeff mentioned five child care centers in the South area that were chosen to work with: <b>Little Big Planet Learning Center, Acadekids Preschool #2, Little Steps II Inc., Small Fry Educational Day Care Center, Camelot Preschool.</b></p> <p>In November's Children Issues committee meeting, The final 5 child care centers were revisited and the new centers are:  <b>Camelot Preschool, Academy Kids, Little Big Planet, My Little World, Kiddie Academy</b> all in the Palmetto Bay/ Cutler Ridge area. It was mentioned that the other child care centers, such as Glendale Baptist Childcare will serve as back up. These 5 child care centers serve as the resource for access to care, technical assistance, reading, dental, nutrition, physical activity, parent activity. The goal is to find out what the child care centers needs are.</p> <p>One of the CI committee members is a health care provider and would like to contribute to the health care education piece. This is an oral health component. Alina mentioned Oral Health is part of the Affordable Health Care Act. Alfie mentioned that Janice (DentaQuest) has more of the tangibles such as curriculums, one-pagers, and things that are important for the assessment. Parents will be asked about dental insurance and if they do not have access to it, they can receive it through Medicaid, KidCare, or the Affordable Care Act. This would be a service we would bring to them as well as child care licensing, technical assistance compliance, making sure the centers are participating in Best Practices. The Counselors in the south area are Gabriella P. and Michael W. None of these centers have an issue being placed on</p>	<p>Health Assessment to be done in March 2014 in 5 separate child care centers. Health Fair to be done at the centers as well.</p>
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revocation or in any way facing any stringent disciplinary actions from child care regulations. Alina suggested when it comes to technical assistance, to make sure their files are in order from DCF's stand point, and maintain their files. Those centers having issues would benefit from the technical assistance.

Alina recommended that the Florida Department of Health conduct a health fair as a contribution to this piloting process (a nurse coming in to conduct a health check that consists of blood pressure screenings, diabetes screenings, etc.) This piloting program is to begin in March 2014, where the child care providers will tell the CI committee what their needs are, instead of the CI committee telling them their needs.

Alina expressed that the Injury Prevention Training, is to be done on a Wellness Day. She also mentioned the oral health component should be its own focus on a separate day, that would consist of the Healthy Matthew dental van. There will be a group discussion about the different components and everyone would take a lead on what that will require. Short Chef has also accepted the offer to help with cooking a healthy and affordable meal, cooking demonstration for the parents.

The Children Issues Committee has come up with the following list of services:

**Nutrition & Physical Activity**- University of Miami team: Dr. Natale, Joanne, Lisa, Maria; Henry Gets Moving- Anthony Rouzier

**Access to Care**- DentaQuest: Janice; Sunshine Health: Nakia

**Health Fair**- Florida Department of Health

**Technical Assistance**- Florida Department of Children and Families.

Safety Prevention topic was also discussed as a component to include in the piloting process.

Alfie mentioned summer programs would be beneficial because parents will need to transition their kids out of the child care centers to a school in the future. Identifying resources is needed to create this plan. Showing the parents an alternative while their child is out of school.

Alina stated, the Children Issues committee's vision was to highlight the work that

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	<p>everyone is doing in the committee and then create a work plan. A report will be created that will say, this is the intervention the partnership has done and these are the outcomes.</p> <p>Alina asked the committee what are the next steps...</p> <p>Defining what the committee's contributions would be. For the January 2014 meeting, everyone is to be prepared with what they want to contribute: design it, draw it, and see what it looks like.</p> <p>Maria – UM and another CI committee member will be the persons to introduce this piloting program to the child centers. The goal is to do this the first couple of weeks in December 2013.</p>	<p>Alina will prepare Letter of Invitation draft with prospective dates and times.</p>
<p>Partner Updates</p>	<p>Jeff (DCF) mentioned DCF had a provider meeting. Coral Gables police was at the meeting to tell the centers how to act. They came up with things that had never been done before. There is nothing currently in the Florida statutes. They want to get all the child care centers to register with the Law Enforcement agencies so they can have a relationship in case of any emergencies. To give Law Enforcement the names of children in case of emergencies, so they can respond immediately and to educate the providers. They are working with child care centers on having a Disaster Preparedness Plan.</p> <p>Anthony (Henry Gets Moving)        Mentioned Henry Gets Moving mascot is now here. The book inspires children to live healthy lives. Teaches kids about the positivity of eating healthy, not eating junk food and playing video games. There was an event in which Discovery channel bought 150 books. Team Henry conducted a reading at Central Matar. Henry received recognition by James H. Bright school at the school board meeting.</p>	

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Executive Board Update	November Executive Board meeting was cancelled due to a holiday observance.	
New Business	The Children Issues committee discussed having the January 2014 meeting in another venue, possibly the United Way Building.	
Old Business	Newsletter – CI committee members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ If anyone is interested in submitting any information for the newsletter, please e-mail <a href="mailto:shanika_watson@doh.state.fl.us">shanika_watson@doh.state.fl.us</a> or to <a href="mailto:amelinda_loddo@doh.state.fl.us">amelinda_loddo@doh.state.fl.us</a></li> </ul>	
Upcoming Events	<p>Marketing &amp; Membership Committee Workshop          Public Speaking          (Presenter: Greg Barnes, Professor of Communications at Broward College)          December 4, 2013 3pm-4pm          CBS4 News location          8900 NW 18 Terrace          Miami, FL 33172</p> <p>Community Health Improvement Plan final review process          December 17, 2013 8:00am- 12:00pm          United Way Building, The Ansin Building Ryder Room          3250 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave          Miami, FL 33129</p>	
Adjournment	The next meeting will be held on <b>Thursday, January 23, 2013</b> . The meeting was adjourned at 11:30AM.	