

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE
 Children Issues Committee Meeting
 Friday, February 17, 2023
 10:00am- 11:30am EST



TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (26)	<p><u>Virtual Microsoft Teams Meeting</u> Dr. Cristina Brito, West Kendall Baptist Hospital (Chair) Tenesha Avent, March of Dimes (Vice Chair) Heather Baker, HSCMD Eric Bello, MDCPS Marie Alexandra Cornelius, FIU Alexi Delagarza, CLT Business Solutions Gilda Ferradaz, DCF KeTia Harris, JTCHS Jeff Hurst, DCF Kindra Johnson, Arts A L, Inc. Debi La Belle, The Education Fund Cheryl Lorie, DOH-Miami-Dade WIC Jesus Medina, Galatea Bio Tamia Medina, UM Talli Menchion, Easterseals/Early Steps Suecia Mendez, Sunshine Health Imelda Moise, UM Carla Sabugo, DOH-Miami-Dade WIC Frantz Theodore, Center For Multicultural Wellness and Prevention Valoria Thomas, Gang Alternative Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade Sandra Echeverry-Varona, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade Imani Morgan, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade Jessica Mulroy, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade Rachel Roberts, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade (Committee Liaison)</p>	
Welcome and Introductions	<p>The February 2023 monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was brought to order by Dr. Cristina Brito and Tenesha Avent at 10:05 a.m. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.</p>	
Approval of Minutes	<p>There was a motion to approve the January 2022 Children Issues minutes by Heather Baker the motion was seconded by Tenesha Avent.</p>	

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<p>Executive Board Update</p>	<p>Dr. Cristina Brito provided updates to the committee on the last Executive Board meeting that was held on Monday, February 13th, 2023. Dr. Brito shared with the committee the results from the 2022 Consortium Executive Board Co-Chair election results. The two Co-Chairs for the Executive Board for the next 2-years will be Leyanee Perez with the American Healthy Weight Alliance and Dr. Cristina Brito with West Kendall Baptist Hospital. The Executive Board will have their leadership orientation during their March meeting. It was also announced to the members the Vice Chair position through the Health and the Built Environment Committee is vacant and this is a great leadership opportunity. Additionally, it was shared this year is the Consortium’s 20th Anniversary. The Board discussed they would like to host an outdoor in-person event during October or November for this important milestone. A reminder was shared if you are interested in helping plan this event, please join the Consortium Annual Event Taskforce and sign-up with your committee liaison.</p>	
<p>Healthy Baby Taskforce Update</p>	<p>The Healthy Baby Taskforce update was provided by Tenesha Avent. The Healthy Baby Taskforce is a sub-committee of the Children Issues committee. The Taskforce last met in January and had a presentation on <i>Green Cars for Kids</i> by Dr. Catherine Toms. Following the presentation, the partners were learning and discussing ways on how they could support this initiative. This relates back to the Taskforce’s new work plan strategy to promote and support action-oriented community processes working with groups to bring awareness of the important climate and environmental impacts linked to birth outcomes for pregnant people and expecting families. The Taskforce also reviewed the draft designs of the Healthy Baby, Healthy Corner Store Palm Card Initiative with the recommended changes from the partners. The Taskforce still has the Baby Safe Sleep Community Survey open to learn more about safe sleep in Miami-Dade. A reminder was shared to share the survey with your clients and partner organizations.</p>	
<p> Previous Action Items QR Code Resource Flyer HWK Heart Health & Tobacco </p>	<p>During this committee meeting a brief overview of the QR Resource Code Flyer initiative was shared with the members. This is an opportunity for partners to share any updates on the dissemination of the flyer to the community and if organizations have any updated materials to include on the Children Issues Resource Page. This page includes the resources which link families and children to health care services and programs in Miami-Dade County. An update was shared under the Clinical and Mental Health Service Section of the resources page, it now include UHealth Community Pediatrics Program with Pediatric Mobile Clinic and SHOTZ-2-GO!. It was also noted West Kendall Baptist Hospital (WKBH) will submit a flyer for the Autism Support Group that occurs every 2 weeks to share as an additional resource too.</p> <p>Dr. Brito shared an update on American Heart Month. She provided an update that Healthy West Kendall has hosted its first round of virtual Heart Health & Tobacco Cessation Presentation for schools this month. These trainings are in partnership with the American Heart Association, the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County’s Tobacco Prevention and Control Program, and the</p>	

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Cessation Presentations	Tobacco-Free Workgroup. These upcoming trainings aligns with the work plan activity: By September 30, 2024, the CI Committee will partner with the Tobacco Free Workgroup to improve health and quality in the community. During the March meeting, Dr. Brito will provide a more detailed update on the pre and post-test survey results. They have currently been able to educate a total of 75 students.	
Performance Measures in Need of Improvement (Work Plan Review)	<p>During this meeting, the Committee Liaison led the partners through an interactive activity using Poll Everywhere to discuss work plan activities that needed an update. The following indicators were discussed related to Access to Care and Communicable Diseases and Emergent Threats work plan priority areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will identify partners who provide immigrant access to health care and community-based services. • By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will share resources with identified partners who provide immigrant access to health care and community-based services. • By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will provide and distribute its educational resources in English, Spanish, and Creole. 	
Recognition of Improved Performance	During this meeting, for recognition of improved performance the strong membership of partners was highlighted. In 2022, the Children Issues committee had 49 new members join. As of this year to date, we have 8 new members. In 2022, the Healthy Baby Taskforce had 11 new members join. As of this year to date, we have 1 new member. A Poll Everywhere activity was led to think of opportunities to bolster and engage members to join and participate in the committee.	
<p>New Business</p> <p>Project UP-START Program, Miami-Dade County Public Schools Update</p> <p>West Kendall Baptist Hospital and Christ Fellowship Community Food Pantry</p>	<p>Dr. Brito shared an update on behalf of the Project UP-START Program. Project UP-START’s mission is to ensure a successful education experience for children and youth who are enrolled in M-DCPS living in unstable housing by collaborating with parents, schools, and community partners through opening the doors to academic opportunities, removing barriers, and promoting a healthy sense of self. The committee learned about this program and reviewed the program numbers available on different types of unstable housing. The data dashboard At a Glance from 2021-2022 was shared with the members. Dr. Brito shared this program is currently experiencing an influx of immigrant students entering Miami-Dade County Public Schools. She shared there is an opportunity to help support provide hygiene items to the program.</p> <p>Dr. Brito provided an update on a new food pantry that was launched by West Kendall Baptist Hospital and Christ Fellowship Church. It was launched on Saturday, February 4th, 2023 This pantry is also partnering with the American Heart Association as it aligns with the work they are doing to address food insecurity. At the launch, they served 110 families and 343 individuals. This will be open every first Saturday of the month. A flyer with the food pantry information was also shared. This is another opportunity the committee can help support and share with their community.</p>	

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<p>Partner Updates</p>	<p>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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Black Mothers Care Plan (BMCP): An update was shared by Dr. Cornelius. The BMCP will be hosting an upcoming FREE community workshop on Black Maternal Health and Wellness, “Sankofa for Haiti: Building Our Community, Reclaiming Our Health and Cultural Heritage” on Saturday, February 25, 2023 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Little Haiti Cultural Center. The event will be held in Haitian Kreyòl with simultaneous translation into English. - Center For Multicultural Wellness and Prevention (CMWP): An update was shared by Frantz Theodore. The CMWP offers Project W.O.K.E (Wisdom, Opportunity, Knowledge, and Empowerment) a financial literacy 4-session series course for 11th and 12th grade high school students. For information, please contact Frantz Theodore, Project Director, via email at FTheodore@cmwp.org or via phone at (954) 638-6235. - DOH-Miami-Dade WIC: An update was shared by Carla Sabugo. She shared last February all WIC agencies were given flexibilities on formula options due to the formula shortage. Beginning February 24, 2023, these waivers and flexibilities are set to expire. To ensure families transition as smooth as possible, the WIC program will be taking a phased approach. We want to ensure our partners are up to date to help with this transition by referring WIC families to our website or call center 786.336.1300 for assistance. - Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade: Heather Baker provided updates on behalf of the coalition. She shared the coalition is still offering hybrid visits until the public health emergency expires and then will resume all visits back in-person. She also shared they are expanding the Moving Beyond Depression program through funding they received. She shared to also visit the Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade’s (HSCMD) website to learn more about the available Fatherhood Initiative program positions. Please visit the HSCMD website here. The next Fetal Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) Community Action Group (CAG) scheduled for Wednesday, March 8th, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. To register, please click here. - Jessie Trice Community Health System: An update was shared by KeTia Harris. She provided an update on the success of the Black Women Do Breastfeed! a new Breastfeeding Cafe Support Group. This group was launched on Thursday, February 16, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. She also provided an update to increase our partnerships with faith-based organizations to work with Andrea Fletcher. She also shared she is interested in learning more from partners about the Pump Act. - March of Dimes: An update was shared by Tenesha Avent. She shared The Crisis! Black and Brown Maternal and Infant Mortality Panel Discussion will be hosted on Saturday, February 25, 2023 at 9 a.m. at Florida Memorial University. To RSVP, please click here. 	
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	- West Kendall Baptist Hospital (WKBH): An update was shared by Dr. Cristina Brito. Please see updates under New Business related to the food pantry launched by WKBH and Christ Fellowship Church.	
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. The next Children Issues Committee virtual meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 17, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams.	