

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE
 Children Issues Committee Meeting
 Thursday, May 22, 2014

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (7)	<p>Alfie Leon- Committee Vice Chair, Florida International University Shanika Watson, Florida Health in Miami Dade County Jeff Hurst, Department of Children & Families/ CCR Catherina Chang, Florida International University</p> <p><u>TELECONFERENCE:</u> Dr. Ruby Natale, University of Miami Mailman Center Mayra Garcia, Florida Health in Miami Dade County Mariella Gomez, Main Street Children’s Denistry</p>	
Welcome and Introductions	<p>The monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was brought to order by Alfie Leon at 10:25A.M.</p> <p>All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.</p>	
Approval of Minutes	<p>There was a motion to approve the April 2014 Children Issues minutes by Jeff Hurst; the motion was seconded by Alfie Leon.</p>	
Work Plan Status Update	<p>Consortium Childcare Initiative teams provided updates:</p> <p>Oral Health – Team visited Camelot preschool and had a wonderful experience. This is the first month where all oral health partners were able to go to the childcare visit. Colgate, DentaQuest, Healthy Matthew and the Florida Institute for Health Innovation are the partners. Saw 60 kids and about 30 families. Many parents had more than one child at the center. Colgate provided dental screenings and dental kits for kids. Oral health education was also provided. Healthy Matthew provided stimulating activities for the children, such as song and dance, a giant size toothbrush, staff dressed as huge teeth. DentaQuest provided literature to the parents on milestones of</p>	

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gum disease, cavities and myths of fluoride varnish. FIHI collected surveys that build off improvements for oral health in Miami-Dade and Florida. Alfie mentioned he is unable to attend the June childcare center visit and will make arrangements.

Nutrition Education & Physical Activity- On behalf of Anthony, Dr. Natale mentioned the component was not well attended at Acadekids. Only 3 families attended.

Access to Care- Jeff mentioned the staff at Kiddy Academy was not aware of the visit and contacted the director. Space was a challenge. From that point on, parents were directed to the childcare initiative. The parents appeared to be in their 20's. Jeff mentioned other centers are inquiring, "What about us?" "When are you going to get to us?" "What do we have to do to get our parents involved too?" in the West Kendall, Miller, Sunset, and South Miami area. For future reference, Jeff recommended surveys be given to the childcare centers on those that want to participate in a childcare initiative.

Dr. Natale agreed with Jeff and added that there need to be a minimum number of participants in order to continue.

Nutrition/Cooking Demonstration- Shanika mentioned she joined Short Chef at My Little World preschool. Started off with a small crowd, then more parents became involved with the help of the director. The director was very thankful and grateful to receive these services. She also had her children participate with the cooking demonstration. One highlight that took place was a little girl that never ate vegetables decided to eat vegetables after the encouragement from Short Chef.

Committee Suggestions:

- To have by in from the providers.
 - To have a post survey completed by the parents of what services they are looking for.
 - To have a packet of materials from all teams disseminated to the childcare centers.
- This way the childcare centers can continue to disseminate the materials to parents and become an arm for the Consortium. The childcare centers can continue the work of the Consortium Childcare piloting program. The packet can be stamped with, "Brought to you by the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues committee."

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	<p>Nutrition Education ~ Catherina visited Little Big Planet preschool. The owner was dynamic and engaged the parents. There was face painting for the kids. 15 families were seen. The sugar shock activity was conducted.</p> <p>Upcoming Consortium Childcare visits:</p> <p>June 26, 2014 July 31, 2014</p>	
<p>Partner Updates</p>	<p>Shanika mentioned that Team C (Oral Health) component will take place on May 29th at Acadekids at 3:30pm.</p> <p>Jeff (DCF) Mentioned a news release that just came out from Tallahassee U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is to get parents and affiliates to teach their children how to swim in 2014. And also to take a pool safety pledge. Drownings remain the leading cause of unintentional death for children ages 1-4.</p> <p>Alfie (FIU) Mentioned Dr. Rivera, FDOH Miami-Dade Administrator invited him to a new center in Liberty City that FDOH Miami-Dade is opening. They are going to have WIC, Jessie Trice, and the FIU medical college to service special practice needs. Legal services will be available for the community in this center.</p> <p>Catherina (FIU) Mentioned she is getting ready to defend her proposal. It consists of using a survey in childcare centers to measure the social determinants in the home environment. What social support do parents have and how they are helping, linking it with the obesity status in children.</p>	

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<p>Executive Board Update</p>	<p>Consortium Annual Event comments/suggestions from the Executive Board was discussed. Chairs of the committees will create a “What’s Healthy In Miami” list to go on the Miami Matters website.</p>	
<p>New Business</p>	<p>Jackson Memorial Hospital is on the pathway of becoming a Baby Friendly designation.</p> <p>Alfie mentioned for future reference, if an individual RSVP’s for the Consortium Annual event, they need to make the effort to go. If the individual makes a commitment to go to the event, he/she needs to be there. By the individual not attending, it disables the opportunity for another to attend. Some people that wanted to attend could not, due to the limited space.</p> <p><u>Committee Suggestions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Dr. Natale suggested collaboration between the Children Issues and Elder Issues committee and having quarterly or yearly meetings. - Worksite Wellness collaboration with the Children Issues committee on physical activities for the providers and parents at the childcare centers. <p>For those that are taking pictures at the childcare centers, hold on to them for the end of the Consortium Childcare Initiative.</p>	
<p>Old Business</p>	<p>Newsletter – CI committee members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o If anyone is interested in submitting any information for the newsletter, please e-mail shanika_watson@doh.state.fl.us or to amelinda_loddo@doh.state.fl.us 	

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<p>Upcoming Events</p>	<p>Marketing & Membership Committee presentation Health Foundation of South Florida by the President and CEO June 4, 2014 3pm-4pm CBS4 News location 8900 NW 18 Terrace Miami, FL 33172</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>The next meeting will be held on Thursday, June 26, 2014 at the United Way Center Ansin building Conference Room C at 3250 SW 3rd Ave Miami, FL 33129. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45AM.</p>	