

**CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE**  
 Children Issues Committee Meeting  
 Thursday, June 26, 2014

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (14)	<p>             Alina Soto, Chair, Department of Children and Families              Shanika Watson, Florida Health in Miami Dade County              Dr. Ruby Natale, University of Miami Mailman Center              Shanika Watson, Florida Health in Miami Dade County              Catherina Chang-Martinez, Florida International University              Christine Hom, Florida Innovation of Health Institute              Sybill Holly-Charles, Prestige Health Choice              Daniella Orihuela, Florida Institute for Health Innovation              Nancy Roberts, Miami Lakes United Methodist Church              Krista Yoder-Latortue, Baptist Health              Silvana Tchorbadjian, Colgate Bright Smiles, Bright Futures           </p> <p> <u>TELECONFERENCE:</u>              Mayra Garcia, Florida Health in Miami Dade County              Jeff Hurst, Department of Children &amp; Families/ CCR              Liza Ortega, Molina Healthcare           </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 10:05A.M.           </p> <p>             All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.           </p>	
Approval of Minutes	<p>             There was a motion to approve the May 2014 Children Issues minutes by Catherina Chang-Martinez; the motion was seconded by Daniella Orihuela.           </p>	
Work Plan Status Update	<p>             Consortium Childcare Initiative teams provided updates:           </p> <p> <a href="#">Access to Care</a>              Mayra (FDOH)              Mentioned that her supervisor, Suzanne Johnson went to the last child care visit on           </p>	

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her behalf. Eight blood pressure screenings were conducted. The center was very receptive. The assistant director was good and everything flowed smoothly.

Jeff (DCF)

They have been working with many foster and adopted kids 0-5 years of age. Jeff spoke to the families about the Consortium, child care centers and licensed homes. Working with foster care and adopted kids is a future topic for the committee to discuss as possibly a next Consortium initiative.

**Nutrition Education & Physical Activity**- Dr. Natale (UM)

A make-up training was done for Nutrition & Physical Activity at My Little World. A child was crying to go home with Henry the hamster from Henry Gets Moving. Kids loved everything. Dr. Natale is collecting all of the team's data for reporting purposes.

**Nutrition Education** - Shanika (FDOH)

Child care visit took place on a rainy day. Not many parents stayed for the nutrition education component. Maggie and her assistant conducted a sugar shock activity that entailed a discussion of sugary drinks vs. water. Nutrition was briefly discussed and a Latin Cookbook was given to a family on healthy eating. Handouts were given to some parents on eating on a budget, nutrition facts, and how to read a nutrition label.

**Committee Suggestions from 5/22/14 meeting:**

- For future reference, Jeff recommended surveys be given to the childcare centers on those that want to participate in a child care initiative.

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

-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 child care centers.

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	<p>-To have buy- in from the providers.</p> <p>-To have a post survey completed by the parents of what services they are looking for.</p> <p>-To have a packet of materials from all teams disseminated to the childcare centers. This way the child care centers can continue to disseminate the materials to parents and become an arm for the Consortium. The child care centers can continue the work of the Consortium Child Care pilot program. The packet can be stamped with, “Brought to you by the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues committee.”</p> <p><b><u>Post Consortium Child Care Initiative suggestions:</u></b></p> <p>-Have a potluck</p> <p>- Committee discussion of Plan-Do-Check-Act (what worked/did not work/ what we would like to see differently, lessons learned)</p> <p>Dr. Natale suggested committee discuss all of the suggestions when there is greater attendance, possibly next meeting.</p> <p><b>Upcoming Consortium Childcare visit:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>July 31, 2014</b></p>	
<p>Catherina’s proposal</p>	<p>The proposal is targeted to epidemiology related determinants. Catherina would like to do a randomization. Taking some child care centers from Miami-Dade County neighborhood clusters to survey the parents. The focus is on obesity and physical activity related indicators. These indicators include birth weight, maternal smoking, tv in a bedroom, physical activity during the week, accessibility to the park, etc. In the child care settings they do not know the amount of structured time spent in physical activity. Catherina would like to survey the parents at the child care centers and measure the children’s height and weight to determine the prevalence of overweight and obesity. At the end of the pilot program, she would like to conduct a workshop where providers get exposure to nutrition education and physical activity. With this</p>	

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	<p>education, providers will know how to prevent obesity in their center. Dr. Natale and Alina offered Catherina some suggestions.</p>	
<p>Partner Updates</p>	<p>Christine Hom (Florida Institute for Health Innovation)        They are providing the Komen Foundation with a qualitative evaluation . FIHI is also doing work on the health effects of climate change. They are always looking for strategic partnerships to form collective impact. Oral health work is being done in the regional, state and local arenas. Regionally, they have been awarded a grant from Kellogg and they are working with the Mississippi Department of Health and Georgia Morehouse School of Medicine. FIHI is expanding their community engagement to continue to identify barriers in oral health. They are conducting a survey of dental providers in order to identify the barriers they see when it comes to providing services in underserved populations. FIHI will be looking at barriers in terms of low reimbursement levels, bureaucratic burden and attitudes serving the underserved. Alina went to Nashville to the Southern Regional DentaQuest Foundation meeting where 12 states join together to begin to strategically plan around how they can eradicate dental disease in children and improve oral health throughout the life span. FIHI is working towards the year 2020. Their next step is to widen their network of oral health stakeholders. At the state level, they have been working with the Oral Health Coalition and have finalized a first draft of a state strategic plan- The Roadmap to Oral Health which will be taken to Tallahassee to get some buy-in from state leaders. The next step is to form a Florida Oral Health Alliance, which will be a group of leaders who will affect policy change. This is according to how FIHI will strategically implement the roadmap. At the local level, they would like to also help build local coalitions throughout the state.</p> <p>Daniella discussed the preliminary trends and results through the work done with the Consortium: There are a total of 40 responses from their Consumer Engagement Survey. This survey asks parents what are the barriers/difficulties they are facing when accessing dental care for their children. <b>57% of parents responded that their children do not have a dentist they regularly see. The reported reason is parents cannot find a dentist who takes their insurance. The most dominant reason is scheduling- unavailable after working hours and the weekend.</b></p>	

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Alina mentioned during the Pediatric Oral Health meeting DentaQuest Foundation is focusing on access to care and health equity. Medicaid and HeadStart was on the statewide panel. Medicaid has now gone to Managed Care.

Nancy (Miami Lakes United Methodist Church)- Have an interest in health ministry outreach to children through health fairs. They are partnering with FIU School of Medicine and have a walk-in-clinic van in Hialeah. August 23, 2014 there will be a Health Fair. Shanika explained the CHOP form procedures for events and health fairs on the Consortium website. Nancy also mentioned she has information on access to care for children. Would like to have immunizations given at the Health Fair on Aug. 23. Mayra(DOH) mentioned there will be free immunizations for children ages 2mos.- 18years for Back-to School at most of the clinics in the community. This will be offered by the Florida Dept. of Health in Miami-Dade.

Krista (Baptist Health)- Pediatric Dietician who wants to find out what is going on in the different organizations. Baptist has a community health department that is active now. They are interested in filling gaps where there are gaps in services.

Sybil (Prestige Health Choice)- Just opened an outreach committee. Big change with Medicaid coming up. Trying to find different community resources. Currently working on ten initiatives, especially for children. Want to make sure children are receiving their childhood check-ups, immunizations, preventive care for mothers and prenatal care for pregnant women. Mostly work with health centers. Their mission is to help the underserved.

Catherina (FIU)

Mentioned she is getting ready to defend her proposal. It consists of using a survey in child care centers to measure the social determinants in the home environment. The area of focus is childhood obesity. She is looking at social factors and barriers to physical activity in the child care centers and home environment. Catherina spoke about the last child care visit at Camelot. The child care providers had their blood pressure screened. The families were interested in the literature given to them, such as, MyPlate program information and the right child care center to select. Small story

Shanika will send the Back to School free immunization flyer to the CI committee.

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	<p>books were also given to kids, in which they were well received. The challenges were that some parents were picking up their kids from the playground, and were unable to stay for the access to care component. The parents were grateful to receive Affordable Care Act information.</p> <p>Silvana (CBFBS)        Mentioned Colgate offers free dental screenings for kids 12 years old and under. They are collecting a lot of information from the parents and the child care centers as far as preferences of the visits. Very excited about the current Consortium Child Care pilot program regarding oral health. CBFBS provides the families with a dental provider list. Mentioned Miami Dade College, Nova University, Broward College offers low costs for sealants, cleanings, and examinations.</p> <p>Alina (DCF)        Asked committee suggestions on what they can do to get child care providers physical active in regards to the Tallahassee program office. This would be an awareness campaign that will be taped. Committee will brainstorm some ideas. Alina will be having an interview this afternoon at CBS4 on the Consortium and the Child Care Initiative. It will broadcast on Sunday morning on CBS4.</p>	
<p>Executive Board Update</p>	<p>None discussed</p>	
<p>New Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A new online module was developed for child care providers on obesity prevention July 1, 2014. This was written by Dr. Natale , Alina and three other colleagues. This is also a policy change in education from the previous Communities Putting Prevention to Work grant that Dr. Natale and Alina worked on.</li> <li>○ September is Childhood Obesity Awareness Month so committee is to think</li> </ul>	

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	<p>about what they would like to do. Alina suggested the committee participate in the Children’s Trust Family Expo.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Committee would like to have an Appreciation Day for the child care providers who participated in the Consortium Child Care Initiative. This can be a highly designed proclamation or certificates for the child care centers that they made healthy happen. Shanika suggested that the certificates be presented to the child care providers at the potluck. Alina mentioned that they can also have the opportunity to talk about what worked and what did not work. This will tentatively take place in August.</li> <li>○ Summer Break- Committee discussed not having a summer break since there will be planning and preparation for September Childhood Obesity Awareness month.</li> </ul>	
Old Business	<p>Newsletter – CI committee members:</p> <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@flhealth.gov">Shanika.Watson@flhealth.gov</a> or <a href="mailto:Amelinda.Loddo@flhealth.gov">Amelinda.Loddo@flhealth.gov</a>.</li> </ul>	
Upcoming Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Miami Dade College North Campus Health Fair- July 19</li> <li>- Children’s Trust Family Expo- September 19, 2014</li> </ul>	
Adjournment	<p>The next meeting will be held on <b>Thursday, July 24, 2014 at the United Way Center for Excellence in Early Education at 3250 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave Miami, FL 33129.</b> The meeting was adjourned at 11:45AM.</p>	