

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE

Children Issues Committee Meeting

Friday, July 21, 2023

10:00am- 11:30am EST



TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
<p>Membership Total (27)</p>	<p><u>Virtual Microsoft Teams Meeting</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cristina Brito, West Kendall Baptist Hospital (Chair) 2. Heather Baker, HSCMD 3. Marie-Carmelle Lindley, Arts A L 4. Patricia Dufane, Common Threads 5. Kate Edelson, NAMI Miami-Dade 6. Maria Victoria Ferraris, UM 7. Beatrice Gonzalez, Lotus House 8. Britney James, Miam-Dade County CAHSD 9. Kristin Guerin, Buddy System MIA 10. Jeffrey Hurst, DCF 11. Indiana Lanzas, United Way Miami-Dade 12. Isabel Maldonado, UM 13. Vanessa Madrazo, NAMI Miami-Dade 14. Talli Menchion, Southernmost Coast Early Steps/Easterseals 15. Suecia Mendez Padilla, Sunshine Health 16. Bianca Montenegro, Office of Housing and Community Services City of Miami Beach 17. Beverly Montgomery, Southernmost Coast Early Steps/Easterseals 18. Luis Moreno, Epilepsy Alliance of Florida 19. Alicia Nuby-Powell, Lotus House 20. Carla Sabugo, DOH-Miami-Dade WIC 21. Catherine Toms, Green Cars for Kids 22. Frantz Theodore, Center for Multicultural Wellness and Prevention 23. Melody Velez, United Healthcare 24. Rachel, Community Member 25. Luis Ferrer, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade 26. Reyna Frias, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade 27. Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade (Committee Liaison) 	
<p>Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>The July 2023 monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was brought to order by Cristina Brito 10:05 a.m. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.</p>	
<p>Approval of Minutes</p>	<p>There was a motion to approve the June 2023 Children Issues minutes by Jeffrey Hurst, the motion was seconded by Beverly Montgomery.</p>	

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<p>Executive Board Update</p>	<p>Dr. Cristina Brito provided the Executive Board update to the committee. She shared the Board met virtually on Monday, July 10, 2023. She highlighted some challenges that the American Healthy Weight Alliance is experiencing to establish a food pantry in the South-Dade/ Homestead/ Florida City community due to fear of the new immigration laws and ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) encounters/raids in areas of congregation. In response, members Carla Sabugo, Bianca Montenegro, Heather Baker, Jeffrey Hurst mentioned partnering with the <i>WIC Center in Homestead, Feeding South Florida, We Care of South-Dade, and Children's Alliance of Florida</i> along with many others. Cristina then shared that for the Consortium's 20th Annual Event, the taskforce is leaning towards contracting with Dadeland Marriott due to its proximity to the Dadeland South Metrorail Station. In addition, she shared that there will be sponsorship opportunities available.</p>	
<p>Healthy Baby Taskforce Update</p>	<p>The Healthy Baby Taskforce update was provided by Candice Schottenloher on behalf of Esther McCant and Tenesha Avent. The Healthy Baby Taskforce is a sub-committee of the Children Issues committee. The Taskforce last met in June in which they continue the discussion on the importance of doulas, climate crisis, and proper compensation for this work in this arena being done in maternal child health. The work with the Human Rights Watch (HRH) was also shared on this matter and that they are working on a report with Taskforce partners to launch. The Healthy Baby, Healthy Corner Store initiative that the Taskforce has been working on is currently working on both a Spanish and Creole translation for the Palm Card and Business Wallet Card designs. Other updates were provided on the Black Health Summit that was hosted by the Health Foundation of South Florida. The Baby Safe Sleep Community Survey is also still active and to be shared with the community.</p>	
<p> Previous Action Items CI QR Code Resource Flyer Elder Issues Collaboration Discussion </p>	<p>During the last committee meeting, the committee was presented with the opportunity to update the QR Resource Code Flyer since the National Public Health Emergency for COVID-19 has expired. The current QR Code Resource Flyer focused on COVID-19 and the committee discussed they would like to update since the flyer was created in October 2021. During the July meeting, the items noted to include for the updates are mental health awareness, and expanded virus prevention to include cold, flu, and COVID-19. The committee liaison presented updated data on these topics and confirmed. Other data was also shared by NAMI Miami-Dade and recommendations were noted and will be included in the draft. The committee agreed to move forward with these recommended changes to edit the flyer. More updates will be shared at the next meeting.</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. Elder Issues have been working with Children Issues leadership, Miami-Dade Parks, AARP, and NAMI Miami-Dade. The walk is tentatively scheduled to be on Saturday, January 13, 2024, but</p>	

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	<p>specific roles and responsibilities for planning the event have not yet been solidified. Partners discussed and shared their interest in this event. Draft event flyer was shared and once approved, it would be shared with the committee to promote the event.</p>	
<p>Performance Measures in Need of Improvement (Work Plan Review)</p>	<p>The committee discussed they are working with the Florida Healthy Homes, Asthma and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program to have a presentation at a future committee meeting. National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week is in October. Information shared this summer may be shared during that awareness campaign in October. This is tied to the workplan goal “By September 30, 2024, there will be a presentation by the Florida Healthy Homes, Asthma and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program.” This goal is technically behind but is not overdue. Florida Healthy Homes, Asthma and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program will be presenting at the upcoming committee meeting on Friday, August 18, 2023.</p>	
<p>Recognition of Improved Performance</p>	<p>During this committee meeting, the following work plan activity was highlighted and recognized for its success. This activity included: By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will increase education for children on healthy communities, nutrition, and physical activity. The committee members present had the opportunity to share upcoming summer events they may need support with and sharing with their clients in which they serve too. The following events were highlighted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Children’s Trust Family Expo Events: 1.) Central Family Expo - Saturday, July 22nd, 2023 at Booker T. Washington Senior High School, 2.) South Family Expo - Saturday, July 29th, 2023 at Miami-Dade College, Kendall Campus, and 3.) North Family Expo – Saturday, August 5th, 2023 at Florida Memorial University. • <i>12th Annual Breastfeeding Awareness Family Day</i> will be hosted on Saturday, August 5, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Doral Legacy Park Community Center. There are about 1,300 registered attendees. • <i>Christ Fellowship’s Back to School</i> Event will be hosted on August 5, 2023. • <i>Farm Workers Back to School</i> Event will be held on August 10th, 2023 in Homestead. • <i>KidCare Coalition</i> Event will be hosted on Saturday, August 12th, 2023, at Goulds Parks. More details will be shared once available. • 3rd Annual Art of Breastfeeding Brunch & Exhibition will be hosted on Saturday, August 19th, 2023, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Betty T. Ferguson Recreational Complex. • Two successful baby showers with nearly 25 Sunshine Health, AmBetter, and ObamaCare members were present at both events. • <i>Minority Mental Health Music and Mood Boards Resource Fair</i> will be hosted on August 29th, 2023. • <i>University of Miami’s Foreign-Born Latina Mothers with Children Aged Three to Five Years Old</i> pilot study was approved. It will focus on discrimination of mothers and its effect on child immune responses and will be conducted in the family’s homes. 	

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<p>New Business</p> <p>Future Meeting Logistics Discussion</p>	<p>Dr. Cristina Brito, Committee Chair, presented to the committee the idea of returning to hosting in-person meetings at the United Way of Miami-Dade with a virtual option available too. Indiana Lanzas shared she would work with the Committee Liaison to secure the meeting rooms. It was discussed and agreed upon the committee members to host the first in-person hybrid meeting on Friday, September 15th, 2023. The second meeting date they would like to host an only in-person meeting is on Friday, November 17, 2023, to host the annual committee potluck. Additionally, the committee voted to cancel December's committee meeting due to holiday dates.</p>	
<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"> - City of Miami Beach: An update was provided Bianca Montenegro. She provided the following contact info to the following partners interested and who are working to address food insecurity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buddy Systems MIA: This agency does a LOT in the community. They provide food for homebound people, run food distributions and of course have multiple community fridges throughout the County. Email: info@buddysystemmia.com or Phone: (305) 799-6990 • enFAMILIA, Inc.: enFamilia is a very well established and known agency that has a great and SAFE reputation for the migrant, transient and undocumented community. Email: info@enfamiliafla.com or Phone: (305) 245-7288 • Florida Immigrant Coalition (FLIC): FLIC providers Know Your Rights workshops, Citizenship Drives as well as promote civic engagement. Email: info@floridaimmigrant.org or Phone: (305) 571-7254 - DCF: An update was provided by Jeff Hurst. He shared an update on the mandate reporter trainings. He also shared about see something, say something. Please reach out to him with any questions or to schedule a training. - DOH-Miami-Dade WIC: Carla Sabugo in addition to the National Breastfeeding Month events, shared a Q-flow update that there is a Video Chat option on the clients' appointment day to be implemented on October 1st, 2023. - Kendall Baptist Hospitals: Military Appreciation Dinner will be hosted on Thursday, August 3, 2023. Veterans, military personnel, and families are welcomed to join. Dr. Cristina Brito shared the invitation in the chat, please reach out to her to RSVP. This will also be shared via email. 	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>The meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m. The next Children Issues Committee virtual meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 18th, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams.</p>	