

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (43)	<p><b><u>Virtual Microsoft Teams Meeting</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cristina Brito, West Kendall Baptist Hospital (Chair)</li> <li>2. Heather Baker, HSCMD</li> <li>3. Marie-Carmelle Lindley, Arts A L</li> <li>4. Johanne Celestin, Center for Multicultural Wellness and Prevention</li> <li>5. Sofia De Izaguirre, Caring for Miami</li> <li>6. Kate Edelson, NAMI Miami-Dade</li> <li>7. Beatrice Gonzalez, Lotus House</li> <li>8. Britney James, Miami-Dade County CAHSD</li> <li>9. Ketia Harris, JTCHS</li> <li>10. Jeffrey Hurst, DCF</li> <li>11. Pearl James-Isler, JTCHS</li> <li>12. Leah Jayanetti, ICU Baby</li> <li>13. Dipak Joshi, Dental Clinique</li> <li>14. Debi La Belle, The Education Fund</li> <li>15. Indiana Lanzas, United Way Miami-Dade</li> <li>16. Omy Llaneras, Caring for Miami</li> <li>17. Teronna Maddox, UM Family Navigator Program</li> <li>18. Vanessa Madrazo, NAMI Miami-Dade</li> <li>19. Tamia Medina, UHealth</li> <li>20. Talli Menchion, Southernmost Coast Early Steps/Easterseals</li> <li>21. Suecia Mendez Padilla, Sunshine Health</li> <li>22. Bianca Montenegro, Christ Congregational Church</li> <li>23. Beverly Montgomery, Southernmost Coast Early Steps/Easterseals</li> <li>24. Tara Pawlikowski, Humana</li> <li>25. Darlene Ross, Cano Health</li> <li>26. Catherine Toms, Green Cars for Kids</li> <li>27. Frantz Theodore, Center for Multicultural Wellness and Prevention</li> <li>28. Nancy Torres, UM</li> <li>29. Paulina Wolff, UM Family Navigator Program</li> <li>30. Rachel, Community Member</li> <li>31. Leonor Auson, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</li> <li>32. Raquel Carvajal, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</li> <li>33. Cindy Deroy, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</li> </ol>	

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	<p>34. Sandra Echeverry-Varona, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>35. Luis Ferrer, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>36. Reyna Frias, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>37. Erica Louis Jean, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>38. Marie Ketty Etienne, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>39. Onelia Morales Pons, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>40. Imani Morgan, Florida Department of Health in Broward</p> <p>41. Dayamyra Perez Fernandez, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>42. Guoyan Zhang, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>43. Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade (Committee Liaison)</p>	
Welcome and Introductions	The August 2023 monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was brought to order by Cristina Brito 10:04 a.m. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.	
Approval of Minutes	There was a motion to approve the July 2023 Children Issues minutes by Marie-Carmelle Lindley, the motion was seconded by Vanessa Madrazo.	
Healthy Homes Lead Poisoning Prevention & Asthma Program Presentation	The committee had a presentation on the Healthy Homes Lead Poisoning Prevention & Asthma Home-Visit Program presented by Sandra Echeverry-Varona, Biological Scientist IV – SES, with the Florida Dept of Health in Miami-Dade County. This presentation relates back to the work plan activity: By September 30, 2024, there will be a presentation by the Florida Healthy Homes, Asthma and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program. The committee had this presentation as many partners were interested to learn about screening requirements as well as how to access these services for the community and clients they serve. Following the presentation, the committee had an insightful discussion and a gap in care was identified that there are not free home lead tests available for low-income families. The committee discussed it could be an opportunity to develop a partnership to subsidize these tests and distribute to the underserved families.	Share additional resources with committee
Executive Board Update	Dr. Cristina Brito provided the Executive Board update to the committee. She shared that the Board is currently seeking someone to take on the role of the Worksite Wellness committee Chair position and encouraged those interested to contact their liaisons. The Executive Board also discussed an increase in COVID-19 cases due to a new variant and emphasized the important of takin precautions, particularly as the school year begins. Furthermore, it was announced that the American Healthy Weight Alliance will open its fourth food pantry in the Homestead/Florida City community. The Consortium is celebrating its 20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the taskforce is working to secure the event date and venue at the Miami Dadeland Marriott.	
Healthy Baby Taskforce Update	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	

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<p>Previous Action Items</p> <p>Meeting Logistic Reminders</p> <p>CI QR Code Resource Flyer</p> <p>Elder Issues Collaboration Discussion</p>	<p>Dr. Cristina Brito, Committee Chair, celebrated that the first in-person and hybrid meeting will take place on Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at the United Way of Miami-Dade Ryder Room in the Ansin Building located at 3250 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Miami, FL 33129. The second meeting date the committee would also like to host an only in-person meeting is on Friday, November 17, 2023, to host the annual committee potluck. As previously agreed, the committee voted to cancel December’s committee meeting due to holiday dates.</p> <p>The committee will review the updated drafts of the Children Issues QR Code Resource Flyer during the September committee meeting. The drafts included the recommend changes from the July meeting. These items noted to include for the updates are mental health awareness, and expanded virus prevention to include cold, flu, and COVID-19. 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 specific roles and responsibilities for planning the event have not yet been solidified.</p>	
<p>Performance Measures in Need of Improvement (Work Plan Review)</p>	<p>The committee will discuss the following work plan activities during the next meeting in September. The following indicators are remaining activities that the committee prioritized earlier this year and still need to be completed. These will be further brainstormed next month.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will develop a strategy to increase the use of Telehealth and its services.</li> <li>• By September 30, 2024, will increase the use of the Healthy Kids and Healthy Future Curriculum.</li> <li>• By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will increase from 0 to 2 new Walking School Bus sites.</li> <li>• By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will increase education to childcare providers about food allergies.</li> </ul>	

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Recognition of Improved Performance	<p>During this committee meeting, the following work plan activity was supposed to be 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.</p>	
New Business SWOT Analysis Activity	<p>Dr. Cristina Brito shared the committee conducted the last Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT) Analysis during the Friday, October 21, 2022 committee meeting to review its progress for 2022. The SWOT is reviewed and conducted annually as a part of the work plan. During the committee’s October 20, 2023 virtual meeting, the SWOT Analysis activity will be conducted to review 2023.</p>	
Partner Updates	<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"> <li><b>City of Miami Beach:</b> An update was provided Bianca Montenegro. She shared that she will be transitioning into a new role outside of City of Miami Beach and will be joining Christ Congregational.</li> <li><b>DCF:</b> An update was provided by Jeff Hurst. He shared an update on Suzette’s retirement and Lori Josiel’s new appointment as Program Manager for the Southern Region for the Office of Licensing. In addition, Louis Hitchens and Yadira Hernandez were recently onboard as supervisors. He also shared the difficulty to onboard teachers in the Florida Keys areas and providing proper compensation for families to break-even and survive.</li> <li><b>The Education Fund:</b> Debi La Belle shared that Forest for Schools is hiring part-time educators centered on science, math, and environmental activities. The Education Fund is also seeking to occupy a full-time manager position that can help with the program’s rapid growth. A teaching certificate is preferred. Flyer was shared.</li> <li><b>Jessie Trice Community Health System:</b> Candice Schottenloher shared updates on behalf of Ketia Harris, regarding the BreastfeedMIAMI’s Art of Breastfeeding Brunch and Exhibition will be hosted on Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at Betty Ferguson Recreational Complex. Flyers were shared.</li> <li><b>Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade County:</b> Candice Schottenloher shared updates on behalf of Heather Baker, that a second fatherhood coach has been onboarded for the T.E.A.M. Dad program, in turn, allow the program to provide services to fathers in English, Spanish, and Creole. Visits are conducted in-home or at any location convenient for the father and are available in the evenings and weekends. The 24/7 Dad evidence-based curriculum is being utilized and dads receive an incentive after each completed session. They are actively seeking referrals, eligibility</li> </ul>	

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	<p>criteria include expecting father or father figure, or father of a child under three years of age, and a resident of Miami-Dade County. The consent form was shared with the partners too.</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>The meeting adjourned at 11:31 a.m. The next Children Issues Committee virtual meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 15, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the United Way of Miami-Dade Ryder Room in the Ansin Building located at 3250 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Miami, FL 33129.</p>	