

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

• TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Members Present	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Alina Becker, Alliance for Aging* 2. Andrew Bellison, Elder Resource 3. Betty Jimenez, Self 4. Brady Bennett, Health Council of South Florida 5. David Saltman , FIU 6. Elaine Pappas-Garber, AARP 7. Jose Fonseca, Walgreens 8. Leslie Santiago, Alliance for Aging* 9. Luis Mejer, 24/7 Nursing Care 10. Marsha Jenakovich, Alliance for Aging* 11. Mary Anne Sherman, FDOH 12. Michael Pearson, Alzheimer Association 13. Natalie Lopez, City of Miami Beach* 14. Valerie Turner, FDOH <p style="text-align: center;">*Indicates member participated via conference call</p>	
Welcome and Introductions	<p>Chair, David Saltman, welcomed everyone and started the meeting at 2:40 PM. Everyone introduced themselves. The meeting was held at the Stephen P. Clark Government Center, 111 NW 1 Street, Suite 29A, Miami, FL 33128.</p>	
Review and Approval of Minutes	<p>The minutes for September 27, 2016 were reviewed by the committee members. A motion was made to approve the minutes by all present and seconded by all present.</p>	

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<p>Executive Board Report</p>	<p>Valerie Turner gave a concise summary of what was discussed at October's Executive Board Meeting. Miami-Dade County won the Robert Wood Johnson Culture of Health Award. 8 entries out of 200 were selected for this prestigious award. The Committee also discussed updating the strategic plans, by-laws and the nomination and election processes for chairs and vice chairs. Nominations will be done electronically in November and the election will take place in December also done electronically by all registered members of the committee. Finally, the Initiatives from the PICH grant will be completed in June 2017.</p>	
<p>Presentation by Brady Bennett of Health Council of South Florida on Miami Matters</p>	<p>There was a much anticipated presentation on Miami Matters, given by Brady Bennett of Health Council of South Florida. The Health Council of South Florida maintains an unbiased data source website and analyze that data. This valuable website is available to the public. Brady demonstrated how Miami Matters is can be used to get important information by County or by Zip Code. HCSF has been appointed to assess the Hospital Needs Assessments for Nonprofit Hospitals which is done every 3 years. In the second assessment, the Hospital must prove that they have done what they said that they would do during the first assessment as far as policies and programs go. Miami Matters can also be used as a community assessment track falls among the elder population or as an advocacy platform that uses data to push policy forward. It can be used to correlate various indicators such as chronic disease and socio-economic need. This website can be used to find very valuable data to better serve the public. Sources of the data for this website are CDC, CMS, US Census, AHCA and our own PICH grants among others. The group used the Miami Matters to research Alzheimers. Disease. Many members expressed that they were excited about all the projects they could use Miami Matters for.</p>	<p>Thank you for your Presentation, Brady.</p>

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<p>Committee Updates</p>	<p>Old Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brady Bennett reported on the PICH grants' status for the close of its second year. He reported on Healthy Happens Here, our Healthy Restaurant Initiative has been a big success. We have signed up about 100 restaurants in the first 2 years and our goal was 75. We have a goal to sign up 52 more restaurants by the end of June 2017. The next PICH report was from Jan Ding of FDOH and read by our chair, David Saltman about the Smoke Free Housing initiative. Hialeah Housing Authority moving forward on a smoking policy for their public housing properties. Deedco Gardens was provided with a draft of a smoking policy and is in the process of revising it and is providing building signs. The study of Colorado's housing residents, before and after they went smoke-free was discussed. There was a significant decrease in breathing problems found after the policy was implemented, and 30 percent of residents who had smoked, quit smoking 15 months after policy implementation. All PICH Reports can be found on Miami Matters. <p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new program to train staff how to care for LGBT elders developed by SAGE and Jewish Community Services will be presented by Donna Dambrodt at our next meeting. Marsh Jenakovich reported that although it was estimated that \$3,000,000 was needed to process those waiting for Medicaid Waiver that were already on the waiting list, only 300,000 will be available in the budget. 	
<p>Legislative Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Florida is developing stronger laws against Elder Abuse. Both physical and financial abuse may become felonies if law makers take the lead from the Illinois Legislature and the University of Illinois. Betty Jimenez offered to discuss this further at our next meeting. 	



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Member Announcements/ Upcoming Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Valerie Turner of FDOH reminded our members that we can send announcements to the members of all the committee in the Consortium. 	
Next Meeting	The next Elder Issues Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 29, 2016 from 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM at the Stephen P. Clark Government Center, 111 NW 1 Street, Suite 29A, Miami, Fl. 33128.	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM by Chair, David Saltman.	