



**CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE**

**Executive Board**

**Monday, February 13, 2023**

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION NEEDED</b>
<p>Members present (13)</p>	<p>Dr. Cristina Brito, West Kendall Baptist Hospital (Executive Board Co-Chair)  Leyanee Perez, The American Healthy Weight Alliance (Executive Board Co-Chair)  Marjorie Epstein Aloni, Tri County Senior Resource Referral Network  Susan Holtzman, Older Adult and Special Needs Advocate, Office of Mayor Daniella Levine Cava, Miami-Dade County  Jeanette Martin, BankUnited  Barbara Martinez-Guerrero, Dream in Green  Bernadette Morris, Sonshine Communications  William Sanchez, City of Hialeah  Dr. Richard Thurer, UM  Catherine Wilhelm, West Kendall Baptist Hospital  Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade  Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade (Committee Liaison)  Karen Weller, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p>	
<p>Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>The Executive Board of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade’s February meeting was brought to order by Leyanee Perez and Dr. Cristina Brito at 10:05 A.M.</p> <p>All members of the committees introduced themselves at the beginning of the meeting.</p>	
<p>Approval of Minutes</p>	<p>The committee approved the January meeting minutes with a motion from Dr. Richard Thurer and a second from Marjorie Epstein Aloni.</p>	
<p>Previous Action Items</p> <p>Executive Board Co-Chair Election Updates</p>	<p>Mrs. Weller provided to the Executive Board an update on the status of the Executive Board Co-Chairs nomination and final elections process. She shared the nominations survey was launched on Monday, January 9, 2023, and closed on Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023. This nomination survey was to nominate two Co-Chairs to lead the Consortium’s Executive Board. We received a total of 5 nominations. The Executive Board Co-Chairs final election survey was open from January 20<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Mrs. Weller presented the results from the Executive Board Co-Chair Elections survey. A total of 8 Board members voted in the elections. The Co-Chairs of the Executive Board will be Dr. Cristina Brito and Leyanee Perez for the next 2-year term until December 2024. It was also announced during the March Executive Board meeting, the Chairs and Vice Chairs will have a formal orientation presentation. Please see final election survey results that were shared during this meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Cristina Brito – 8 votes</li> </ul>	

<p>Board's Role with COVID-19 &amp; Health Equity</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leyanee Perez – 6 votes</li> <li>• Tenesha Avent – 1 vote</li> <li>• William Sanchez – 1 vote</li> <li>• Marjorie Epstein Aloni – 1 vote</li> </ul> <p>The Executive Board Co-Chairs led the Executive Board on the continued discussion with its role related to Health Equity and COVID-19. Dr. Brito shared updates on the status of COVID-19 in our community. She shared a reminder with the upcoming holidays to be mindful of event locations that are safe. Leyanee Perez provided a few new updates on the food pantry initiative to address food insecurity in Miami-Dade County. She shared the next Grand-Opening of the food pantry in the Hialeah community will be on Saturday, February 25, 2023. Dr. Cristina Brito also shared an update on the new food pantry that was launched on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 by West Kendall Baptist Hospital and Christ Fellowship. At the launch, they served 110 families and 343 individuals. This will be open every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month located at 9353 SW 152<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Miami, FL 33196. It was also highlighted a brief was shared with the state and the Lieutenant Governor of Florida on the work we are all doing to address food insecurity in Miami-Dade County. Additionally, the Board also discussed ways to involve volunteers in rescuing food items for the food pantries. It was shared through United Way, Miami-Dade College, and Miami-Dade County there are volunteer services available to share these events to gain support needed for these efforts.</p>	
<p>20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Consortium Annual Event Planning</p>	<p>Leyanee Perez, Co-Chair of the Executive Board, shared a recap on what the Board discussed last meeting with beginning to plan for the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Consortium Annual Event. It was shared the Board will be hosting an in-person outdoor event in late October or early November. She led the discussion with the Board members on some key next steps. She announced to the Board we needed members to join the Consortium Annual Event Taskforce (CAET) to help us plan for this important milestone. We had 4 Board members sign-up to be part of the CAET. A Doodle Poll will be sent out to schedule the first CAET meeting. Other logistics were also discussed by the Board such as possible venue locations like the Milander Center and McDonald Aquatic Center, a possible hybrid option, Save the Date and sponsorship packages that will need to be developed for this event.</p>	<p>Send Doodle Poll for CAET meeting.</p>
<p>New Business Children Issues Oral Health</p>	<p>Dr. Cristina Brito and Candice Schottenloher presented a spotlight update on the Children Issues Oral Health Committee. A high-level overview was provided on the status of the committee's work plan by priority area. It was shared the committee had reviewed its SWOT Analysis and conducted several interactive activities to address efforts that were behind or there</p>	

<p>Committee Spotlight Presentation</p>	<p>was an opportunity for improvement. From these quality improvement tools; the committee was able to develop a list of priorities they will focus on for 2023 and 2024. During this presentation there were also key highlights shared for the work they are doing for Health Equity and Maternal Child Health. They shared the <a href="#">QR Code Resource Flyer</a> and process they created and continue to share out in the community. Additionally, they shared the committee needs further support with promoting the <a href="#">Baby Safe Sleep Community Survey</a>. They would like to increase the survey response rate and gain a minimum of 200 survey responses to be able to compare to the Miami-Dade Community. Further updates will be shared on the committee’s progress as they begin to work on the priority activities.</p> <p>A reminder was shared that we would like to spotlight a committee at each monthly meeting to learn more about the status of each committee and the activities they are working towards and may need support with to achieve. This is an opportunity to build linkages, stronger cross-collaboration in the Consortium, and build more synergy among the partners.</p>	
<p>Marketing &amp; Membership Updates</p>	<p>Bernadette Morris provided a brief Marketing &amp; Membership update to the Executive Board on behalf of Sonshine Communications work with the CDC COVID-19 and Health Equity grant. She highlighted February is American Heart Month and Black History Month. She shared they participated in the Give Kids a Smile Day with the Jessie Trice Community Health System. She also shared they will be attending the Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) Community Health Fair on Wednesday, February 15, 2023, to promote the <i>Optimize Your Health</i> campaign. Additionally, she shared there is a story running in the Miami Times on the food pantry initiatives taking place in Miami-Dade County.</p>	
<p>DOH Programmatic Updates</p>	<p>Mrs. Ann-Karen Weller provided DOH Programmatic Updates to the Executive Board. She shared we are currently working with 33 contracted providers through the CDC COVID-19 and Health Equity grant. She also shared they are working to on board 2 more contracted providers. The Health Equity Office has been conducting site visits with providers and working to review evaluation and sustainability plans. The CDC COVID-19 and Health Equity grant was approved for a no-cost extension until May 2024. It was also announced there will be a showcase of all the grantees work on how they are addressing the social determinants of health in the spring. As more details become available, they will be shared with the Executive Board and the Health Equity Office - Advisory Committee (HEO-AC) members. The next HEO-AC meeting will be on Thursday, March 9, 2023 at 9 a.m.</p> <p>Other DOH programmatic updates were shared regarding the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program and Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP). The WIC program was</p>	

	<p>given flexibilities on formula options due to the formula shortage. Beginning February 24, 2023, these waivers and flexibilities are set to expire. To ensure families transition as smooth as possible, the WIC program will be taking a phased approach. It was also shared they will continue to do virtual services too. More updates will be shared in a partner update email. The RHAP is currently experiencing an influx of clients and there are approximately 30,000 clients on the waitlist.</p>	
<p>Partner Updates</p>	<p><b>Children Issues:</b> An update was shared by Dr. Cristina Brito and Candice Schottenloher during the Children Issues Oral Health Committee Spotlight presentation. Please refer back to New Business. The next committee meeting will be on Friday, February 17, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>Elder Issues:</b> An update was shared by Marjorie Epstein Aloni. She shared the Elder Issues completed and reviewed their SWOT Analysis Activity. The next committee meeting will be on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, from 2 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>Health and the Built Environment:</b> An update was shared by Barbara Martinez-Guerrero. The next committee meeting will be on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. She shared the committee is working to plan an event with the Underline. They had to push the event date back to allow for time to plan for this event. More details will be shared as they become available.</p> <p><b>Health Promotion and Disease Prevention:</b> An update was shared by Leyanee Perez. She shared the committee met on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 2 p.m. and shared the Consortium election results. She also shared during this meeting they had a member spotlight presentation by Nicole Fundora from Health Choice Network.</p> <p><b>Tobacco-Free Workgroup:</b> An update was shared by Dr. Richard Thurer. He shared the workgroup is continuing their efforts to reach out to elected officials and try to promote the smoke-free parks and beaches. They are setting up a meeting with the elected leadership with the City of Hialeah. He also expressed some challenges with getting in contact with Miami-Dade County Public Schools and is interested in working with them related to youth cessation for vaping, smoking, and addiction issues.</p> <p><b>Worksite Wellness Committee:</b> An update was shared by William Sanchez. He shared the next committee meeting will be hosted on Thursday, March 2, 2023 from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.</p>	

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	<p><b>City of Hialeah:</b> An update was shared by William Sanchez. He shared an update on behalf of the City of Hialeah’s Playboxing Academy: opportunities for seniors in Miami-Dade County. An event flyer was shared and will be sent to the Board via email.</p> <p>Please email any updates, flyers, events, or requests to present to the committee liaison, Candice Schottenloher, via email at <a href="mailto:Candice.schottenloher@flhealth.gov">Candice.schottenloher@flhealth.gov</a>.</p>	
Adjournment	<p>The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m. The next virtual meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 13, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. via a virtual meeting through the Microsoft Teams platform.</p>	