

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE

Executive Board

Monday, March 13, 2023

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
<p>Members present (12)</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 Barbara Martinez-Guerrero, Dream in Green Bernadette Morris, Sonshine Communications Ed O’Dell, Community Member 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 March meeting was brought to order by Leyanee Perez and Dr. Cristina Brito at 10:08 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 February meeting minutes with a motion from Dr. Richard Thurer and a second from Marjorie Epstein Aloni.</p>	
<p>Previous Action Items</p> <p>Board’s Role with COVID-19 & Health Equity</p>	<p>The Executive Board Co-Chairs led the Executive Board on the continued discussion with its role related to Health Equity and COVID-19. Leyanee Perez provided a few new updates on the food pantry initiative to address food insecurity in Miami-Dade County. She provided to the Board a recap on the food pantries she was able to establish in Miami-Dade County. The food pantries include Las Marianitas Sisters: Humanitarian Mission in Opa Locka, the YMCA in Allapattah, and Iglesia Rescate in Hialeah. She shared with the Board key takeaways and lessons learned through this process. Dr. Cristina Brito shared an update on the new food pantry launched by West Kendall Baptist Hospital (WKBH) and Christ Fellowship Church. The second distribution reached 140 families and 420 individuals. WKBH has been able to work with their faith-based communities to identify other existing food pantries. Cristina and Leyanee both were able to attend a roundtable discussion on food insecurity on behalf of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade. They also learned about what other community partners are doing to address food insecurity too. The Mayor is also interested in launching an initiative too related to food insecurity. The Board also discussed the importance of volunteers</p>	

<p>20th Anniversary Consortium Annual Event Planning</p>	<p>and potential volunteering opportunities they could share with some of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools our partners are working with to help with food rescue efforts. Additionally, two other upcoming food distribution opportunities were shared and include a food distribution at Miami Central Senior High on Saturday, March 18, 2023 and a March of Dimes Pop-up Grocery Experience will be hosted this Sunday, March 19, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Oak Grove Community Center. There is a lot of work being done to address this issue of food insecurity and will continue to be discussed.</p> <p>The Committee Liaison provided an update to the Executive Board on the planning status of the 20th Anniversary Consortium Annual Event. The Consortium Annual Event Taskforce met on Friday, March 3rd & 10th, 2023. The Taskforce members have selected a preferred event date of Friday, November 3, 2023 with a back-up date of Friday, October 20, 2023. The Taskforce has begun to research venue locations. The top two venue locations the Taskforce is currently considering hosting the event is FarmHouse Miami or the Pullman Sofitel Hotel. From this research and selection, the Taskforce is now working to schedule site visits to these venues. Additionally, Sonshine Communications will be helping to create the Save the Date, sponsorship package, and other promotional items. Lastly, Marjie Epstein Aloni, Leyanee Perez, and Bernadette Morris will be working together to take the lead with the event sponsorship components. It was also noted to start thinking about keynote speakers. It was mentioned Dr. Rivera would be a great keynote speaker. More updates will be provided at the April meeting.</p>	
<p>New Business 2023 Executive Board Orientation Presentation Committee Meeting Logistics Discussion</p>	<p>During this meeting, Mrs. Weller presented to the Executive Board their Leadership Orientation. During this presentation, an overview was shared on the Consortium and how DOH helps support the operation of the Consortium efforts. This presentation included the role of the Chair and Vice Chairs as the leaders of the Consortium who lead and facilitate their committees. While the roles and responsibilities were shared, the structural and reporting processes and committee operations were also shared. It is important to note it was highlighted how to continue building your relationship with your committee liaison and committee members. This presentation also served as a refresher for some of the Board members who have been in leadership in past terms.</p> <p>Dr. Cristina Brito led the discussion with the Chairs and Vice Chairs on the status of their committee if they would like to resume back to in-person meetings, continue virtually, or host a hybrid-model meeting method. The following included updates from each of the committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Board: possibly meet in-person once a quarter. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elder Issues: host an in-person hybrid meeting once a quarter. • Health Promotion and Disease Prevention: host an in-person hybrid meeting once a quarter. • Tobacco-Free Workgroup: continue to meet virtually. <p>It was noted to discuss with your committees when they would like to resume back if the meeting method changes for their committee. It was also noted to discuss with your committee liaisons to coordinate the meeting logistics and research the requirements for a hybrid meeting room.</p>	
<p>Marketing & Membership Updates</p>	<p>Bernadette Morris provided a brief Marketing & Membership update to the Executive Board on behalf of Sonshine Communications work with the CDC COVID-19 and Health Equity grant. She provided an update on a Media Coverage report from February 22, 2023, that includes many campaigns such as the food pantry initiative sharing the number of views and readers.</p>	<p>Share media coverage report via email to the Board.</p>
<p>DOH Programmatic Updates</p>	<p>Mrs. Ann-Karen Weller provided DOH Programmatic Updates to the Executive Board by presenting the Leadership Orientation presentation. Please see updates above under New Business.</p>	
<p>Partner Updates</p>	<p>Children Issues: An update was shared by Dr. Cristina Brito. She provided an update on the Healthy West Kendall - Virtual Heart Health & Tobacco Cessation Presentation for Schools that reached 220 middle school students. She provided survey results from both the pre and post-tests. These included a 48% pre-test score and 79% post-test score. There was an increase in knowledge from these presentations. 97% found the presentation to be valuable. These trainings were in partnership with Healthy West Kendall, American Heart Association, Tobacco-Free Workgroup, and the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County's Tobacco Prevention and Control Program. The next committee meeting will be on Friday, March 17, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.</p> <p>Health and the Built Environment: 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 will have two presentation updates on the Active Design Guidelines and the American Healthy Weight Alliance food pantry initiative. She also shared the committee is trying to plan an event with the Underline for May 2023. This opportunity will be shared with members to see who is interested in assisting.</p>	

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	<p>Health Promotion and Disease Prevention: An update was shared by Catherine Wilhelm. She provided the committee met on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 2 p.m. and shared two program spotlights. Other updates were also shared with the members on the West Kendall Baptist Hospital (WKBH) and Christ Fellowship Church community food pantry.</p> <p>Tobacco-Free Workgroup: An update was shared by Dr. Richard Thurer. He shared the workgroup is continuing their efforts to reach out to elected officials to try and promote the smoke-free parks and beaches. He also shared they are currently with the City of Hialeah. He also provided an update that Miami-Dade County Public Schools has approved an updated Student Code of Conduct. Once he receives a copy, more updates will be shared with the Board. Additionally, he shared the State legislative sessions are currently taking place now. He shared that preemption of tobacco control has been introduced but has not been read yet. More updates will be shared as they become available.</p> <p>City of Hialeah: An update was shared by William Sanchez. He shared an update on behalf of the City of Hialeah will be partnering with Univision to host a health fair sharing resources to reach the immigrant population in this community. Event flyer will be shared as it becomes available.</p> <p>Dream in Green: An update was shared by Barbara Martinez-Guerrero. She provided a few organizational updates. They were working with approximately 120 schools to host the Green Schools Challenge – Youth Eco-Summit on Earth Day (Saturday, April 22nd, 2023) at the Frost Science Museum. She also provided next month they will host the Dream in Garden Energy Workshop in the City of Doral.</p> <p>Please email any updates, flyers, events, or requests to present to the committee liaison, Candice Schottenloher, via email at Candice.schottenloher@flhealth.gov.</p>	
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m. The next virtual meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 10, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. via a virtual meeting through the Microsoft Teams platform.	