

**CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE**  
 Children Issues Committee – Healthy Baby Taskforce Meeting  
 Friday, May 19, 2017  
 12:00 PM-2:30 PM EST



| TOPIC                          | DISCUSSION  | ACTION NEEDED                      |
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| Membership Total<br>(17)       | <p> <b>Lead:</b> Esther McCant, Metro Mommy Agency<br/>           Rachele Theodore, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County<br/>           Lisseth Guerra, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County<br/>           Britney James, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County<br/>           Nancy Vazquez, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County<br/>           Arely Lozano, YMCA of South Florida<br/>           Eriko Grover, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County WIC Program<br/>           Holly Zwerling, Fatherhood Taskforce<br/>           Rani Panchanathan, Miami-Dade County<br/>           Gerry Martinez, Miami-Dade County (Head Start CAHSD)<br/>           Rosa Pecele, Miami-Dade County (Head Start CAHSD)<br/>           Ronald Phillips, Miami-Dade County (Head Start CAHSD)<br/>           Betty Alonsa, Connect Familias<br/>           Ruby Natele, University of Miami<br/>           Brittney Lilly<br/> <b>Teleconference:</b><br/>           Amy Olen, Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade County<br/>           Anthony Gasset, Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade County         </p> |                                    |
| Welcome and Introductions      | The monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues (Healthy Baby Taskforce) was brought to order by Esther McCant at 12:20 PM. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.   |                                    |
| Approval of Minutes            | There was a motion to approve the April 2017 Healthy Baby Taskforce minutes by Rachele Theodore; the motion was seconded by Eriko Grover.   |                                    |
| Subcommittee Workgroup Updates | Rachele Theodore (Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County) provided a brief overview of the Florida Healthy Baby Initiative and factors leading up to the creation of the Florida Healthy Baby Action Plan.   | Updates to Action Plan-<br>Britney |

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|  | <p>Esther McCant lead the discussion of action items on the Florida Healthy Baby Action Plan (focused on activity 3 breastfeeding and activity 4 health education). The Healthy Baby taskforce reviewed the feedback from Tallahassee and discussed possible activities to enhance items on Miami-Dade’s Florida Healthy Baby Action Plan.</p> <p><u>Upcoming taskforce actions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ensure fathers and expecting fathers are more involved throughout mother’s pregnancy and after. Ex. welcoming dads to events/classes such as childbirth, breastfeeding and parenting classes, etc.</li> <li>-Increase the amount of promotional materials that include fathers.</li> <li>-Increase community knowledge and understanding of breastfeeding and why it is important.</li> <li>-Create a resource guide/timeline for mothers in Miami-Dade County (breastfeeding resources, free childbirth education, support groups, Baby-Friendly hospitals, etc.)</li> </ul> <p><u>Other:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-If possible, watch <i>Breastmilk</i> documentary on Netflix.</li> </ul> |  |
| <p>Committee Partner<br/>Upcoming Events</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-HSCMD Community Meeting (FIMR)- June 6, 2017 (9am-12:30 pm)</li> <li>-HSCMD Professionals Educational Event on Perinatal/ HIV – June 12, 2017</li> <li>-Free Community Baby Shower- June 16, 2017 (2-4pm) at Frederica Wilson &amp; Juanita Mann Clinic</li> <li>-Connect Familias Baby Shower- June 24, 2017</li> <li>-Monthly Childbirth Education Classes- Metro Mommy Agency (see Esther McCant for more details).</li> <li>-Community Partner Fair &amp; Conference- July 28, 2017 (8am-5pm) at the Miami Airport Convention Center</li> </ul>  |  |
| <p>Adjournment</p>                           | <p>The next meeting will be held on <b>Friday, June 23, 2017 at United Way, 3250 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave Miami, FL 33129</b>. The meeting was adjourned at 2:27 PM.</p>  |  |