

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE

Healthy Baby Taskforce Meeting

Friday, April 19, 2024

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.



TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (15)	<p><u>Joined Virtual via Microsoft Teams</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Leah Jayanetti, ICU Baby 2. Arlicia Jones, Southern Birth Justice Network 3. Dr. Cynthia Lebron, UM 4. Yakesha Llewellyn, Amini Safari Doula Services 5. Cheryl Lorie, DOH-Miami-Dade WIC 6. Andrea Medina, Children’s Home Society (Healthy Families) 7. Talli Menchion, Easterseals/Early Steps 8. Beverly Montgomery, Easterseals/Early Steps 9. Ana Maria Rodriguez, HSCMD 10. Carla Sabugo, DOH-Miami-Dade WIC 11. Manuela Thomas, FIU 12. Dr. Cynthia Unuigbe, Sleep & Cradle Solutions 13. Dayamyra Perez Fernandez, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade 14. Fiorella Vega, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade 15. Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade (Committee Liaison) 	
Welcome and Introductions	The April 2024 monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Healthy Baby Taskforce was brought to order by Candice Schottenloher at 12:35 p.m. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.	
Approval of Minutes	There was a motion to approve the March 2024 Healthy Baby Taskforce meeting minutes by Beverly Montgomery, the motion was seconded by Dayamyra Perez Fernandez.	
Previous Action Items 2024 Goal Setting and Expectations Review Florida Healthy Baby Action Plan	<p>The Healthy Baby Taskforce continued the discussion on their goals and expectations for this year in the April meeting. The partners key focus areas include Membership, Policy Review, Leadership, and Community Engagement. During this meeting, the community engagement area was discussed primarily on how and when we would like to host the mom panel discussion. Some ideas included hosting it during National Prematurity Month or another health observance month to build the discussion around this topic. The Taskforce will need to continue to build their goal and how they would like to launch this event.</p> <p>A reminder was shared during the February Taskforce meeting, the partners discussed if any items were missing part of the work plan. It was noted newborn baby prenatal feeding assessment is so valuable within the first 48-72 hours of birth, neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS) in the NICU, homeless and unstable housing conditions and factors, and teachers and first responder parents having</p>	

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	<p>children noticed an increase in pre-term births were noted. The Taskforce during this meeting started to further brainstorm and discuss these items noted above in how we would like to focus our efforts on these areas. It was noted we need to consider first what data do we have available from Florida Health Charts and other data sources. Dr. Lebron shared the significance of possibly using data included on birth certificates and what data is included on them. She shared the Florida Vital Statistics Code Manual for Birth resource here that shares more details for the Taskforce to consider. Leah Jayanetti also shared further on some of the recommended topics noted above and possibly looking at them from a lens where we see gaps in the data and is there a correlation that exists. This will need to be further developed by the Taskforce partners.</p>	
<p>New Business</p> <p>2024 Black Maternal Health Week (BMHW)</p>	<p>Candice Schottenloher shared a brief overview on Black Maternal Health Week on behalf of the Healthy Baby Taskforce. Black Maternal Health Week is commemorated every year and this year it was on the week of April 11th to 17th, 2024. This year's official theme is <i>"Our Bodies STILL Belong to Us: Reproductive Justice NOW!"</i> There were two important resources shared listed below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black Mamas Matter Alliance • Black Maternal Health Week (BMHW) 2024 Campaign • Black Maternal Health Week 2024 The SOFLO Guide: This guide was sponsored by Metro Mommy Agency, MOMCHA Program, and the Jasmine Project. <p>Following the resources shared, partners shared events they participated in honor of this week. Leah Jayanetti shared some of the work ICU Baby has been able to do in this arena. She shared they recently hosted a film screening on the Toxic film for providers who also had the opportunity to learn about the importance of Black Maternal Health while also receiving CE/CEUs. She also recognized the FIU Black Mothers Care Plan and the work they have been doing for Black Maternal Health.</p>	
<p>Next Steps</p>	<p>The work plan will continue to be discussed with the additional community needs noted and the birth certificate data that was recommended. Additionally, a follow-up with The Women's Fund is needed to coordinate the invitation shared with the Taskforce members to attend future training this summer.</p>	
<p>Partner Updates</p>	<p>Taskforce members were able to briefly announce their current work/initiatives/ projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BreastfeedMIAMI: An update was shared by Cheryl Lorie and Carla Sabugo. They shared the 13th Annual Breastfeeding Awareness Family Day will be hosted on Saturday, August 24th, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Doral Legacy Park Community Center. They also shared two resources to learn more and stay up to date which include the BreastfeedMIAMI website and the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) webpage. • Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade: An update was shared by Candice Schottenloher. To join and become a member, please complete the membership form here. It was also shared if you are hosting a community and would like to request our outreach services. Please complete the Community Health Event Request (CHER) form which serves as a formal request 	

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	<p>for the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County and/or the Consortium for Healthier Miami-Dade to participate in your event.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DOH-Miami-Dade Office of Community Health and Planning: Candice Schottenloher shared with the committee to please save the date for the MAPP Kick-off and Community Partner Assessment Meeting that will be hosted on Thursday, May 30th, 2024. More details will be shared once available. • ICU Baby: An update was shared by Leah Jayanetti. She shared they are currently hosting the Beyond the Beeps podcast. She shared this is an opportunity for NICU families to tell their story. It was noted to also check out The Incubator Network here to stay upto date on neonatology and the ICU Baby podcasts. • March of Dimes: A reminder was shared on the upcoming March for Babies Walks. Please see event links below. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Palm Beach/Treasure Coast (April 20, 2024) ○ Broward County (May 4, 2024) ○ Miami-Dade County (May 18, 2024) • Sleep & Cradle Solutions: An update was shared by Dr. Cynthia Unuigbe. She reminded the Taskforce members about the ongoing Safe Sleep strategy class at Pinecrest Community Center every week on Wednesday's from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. • University of Miami: An update was shared by Dr. Cynthia Lebron. She shared the Latinas and Maternal and Child Health: Research, Policy, and Representation published commentary. More details will be shared on an upcoming webinar on this topic. 	
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 1:16 p.m. The next Healthy Baby Taskforce meeting is scheduled virtually via Microsoft Teams on Friday, May 17, 2024, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.	