

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
<p>Membership Total (15)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Diana Alvarado, The Children’s Movement of Florida 2. Heather Baker, HSCMD 3. Leah Jayanetti, ICU Baby 4. Dr. Cynthia Lebron, UM 5. Talli Menchion, Easterseals/Early Steps 6. Suecia Mendez, Sunshine Health 7. Marya Meyer, The Women’s Fund Miami-Dade 8. Beverly Montgomery, Easterseals/Early Steps 9. Carla Sabugo, DOH-Miami-Dade WIC 10. Rocio Velazquez, The Children’s Movement of Florida 11. Melody Velez, United Healthcare 12. DeAngela Higgs, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County (Intern) 13. Zadymon Moore, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County 14. Dayamyra Perezfernandez, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County 15. Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County (Committee Liaison) 	
<p>Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>The January 2025 monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Healthy Baby Taskforce was brought to order by Candice Schottenloher on behalf of Esther McCant and Tenesha Avent at 12:32 p.m. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves</p>	
<p>Approval of Minutes</p>	<p>There was a motion to approve the November 2024 Healthy Baby Taskforce meeting minutes by Heather Baker, the motion was seconded by Suecia Mendez.</p>	
<p>Previous Action Items</p> <p>2025 Meeting Schedule</p> <p>Health Observance Months & Partner Discussion</p>	<p>The Taskforce reviewed the 2025 meeting schedule. This schedule includes all meetings for the year. The Taskforce members with Children Issues Committee voted in November there will be in-person meetings once a quarter at the United Way Miami from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. All other meetings will be virtual from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. The Committee and Taskforce are awaiting to confirm the meeting room at United Way Miami where the in-person meetings will be hosted. It was also voted by the members, the Friday, December 19, 2025, meeting will be cancelled.</p> <p>The Healthy Baby Taskforce begun planning for 2025 during October meeting to ensure we keep the health observances related to maternal child health in mind to help in planning ideas for future meetings, health fairs, and/or community events. The Taskforce reviewed and updated the list of members who were interested in taking leads or co-leading for specific health months. Candice Schottenloher shared the Health Observance list resource the state provided through the Florida Healthy Baby (FHB) program. It was also</p>	<p>Confirm in-person meeting.</p>

	highlighted March is National Nutrition Month. Partners signed up for other months and were noted in document.	
New Business MCH Policy Discussion	During the Maternal Child Health Policy in Action conversation Taskforce partners discussed the importance of policy related to maternal child health as the legislative session is approaching. This discussion was the beginning of the Taskforce efforts in trying to understand what other partners are doing in Miami-Dade surrounding policy work. The Taskforce also discussed they would like to have subject matter experts to come and present to the group for the members to learn more and how to align our efforts with joining efforts or if Taskforce should take the lead on a policy issue. It was recommended we invite the Florida Health Justice Project to present to our group to hear the latest updates. It is also important to highlight Marya Meyer shared updates on behalf of The Women’s Fund Miami-Dade and the current work it is doing related to MCH. Marya shared they are creating the Alliance for Infant Maternal Health (AIM) dashboard to create a central location of data to bring all partners together. AIM is focusing to use a collective impact framework. More details will be shared as they become available.	Schedule Florida Health Justice Update and Women’s Fund presentation.
Next Steps	The Healthy Baby Taskforce partners will continue to plan for 2025 by reviewing the Health Observance resource. The Taskforce leadership will work to schedule with the lead partners for the month to ensure we have a presentation scheduled or an update for the observance month. This will also provide an opportunity for the Taskforce to align efforts with the partners to expand our community reach together.	
Partner Updates	<p>Partner updates were shared on behalf of the Healthy Baby Taskforce members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BreastfeedMIAMI: An update was shared they are currently working on their strategic plan and building awareness of breastfeeding needs in Miami-Dade. To learn more, visit here: Home BreastfeedMIAMI. • DOH-Miami-Dade WIC Program: Carla Sabugo shared an update on the 11th Annual Homestead/Florida City Holiday Health & Resource Fair that was hosted on Saturday, December 7th, 2024. During this event, they hosted a toy drive during the holiday season and was able to give out 1,600 toys. On April 30th, 2025, there will be a similar community resource fair but, on a smaller scale for WIC staff members to learn about the community partners and resources available they can take back to the clients they serve and connect them to services. Lastly, it was also shared once ready for release, the WIC program has a new branding kit that will be available. • Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade: Heather Baker shared the coalition is in partnership with the Miami Diaper Bank. Federal grant was earned to increase economic security and family support service. The grant aids existing diaper distribution centers. There are also open positions at the coalition that are available to apply too. They are in the progress of interviewing new people to join the team. To learn 	

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Healthy Baby Taskforce Meeting

Friday, January 17, 2025

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



	<p>more, visit here: Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade Florida Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade. Lastly, the HSCMD CEO is meeting with local legislators and will share more details and next steps with these conversations as it relates back to the upcoming legislative session.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Steps: Talli Menchion shared Early Steps has a new office location and the new office address is 7990 SW 117 Ave., Ste 125 Miami, FL 33183. Beverly Montgomery also shared the Early Steps Play Groups for 2025 will be hosted at the Coral Reef Public Library. These groups will be hosted on Saturdays at 10 a.m. and Tuesdays at 11 a.m. Flyers will be shared. • ICU Baby: Leah Jayanetti shared ICU Baby received an incredible grant from the Florida Perinatal Quality Collaborative. This grant will allow ICU Baby to expand their transportation assistance program to 15 hospitals across Florida. The Transportation Coordinator will be a full-time position. The Youth Coordinator for the Ambassador Program will be a part-time position funded through The Children’s Trust. • March of Dimes: Candice Schottenloher shared on behalf of Tenesha Avent the March of Dimes Healthy Pregnancy and Community Wellness Event will be hosted on Saturday, January 25th, 2025. To learn more and register, please click here. • Sunshine Health: Suecia Mendez shared on February 4th, 2025, at 11:00 am Mom class will be hosted at the Welcome Room located at 9552 SW 160 ST., Miami, FL, 33157. She also shared the next Diaper Distribution will be February 11th, 2025, at 12 p.m. at the Welcome Room. Lastly, on the 3rd Thursdays of every month, a food distribution with Farm Share is hosted at 9 a.m. at the Welcome Room. The next food distribution is on February 20th, 2025. • The Women’s Fund Miami-Dade: Marya Meyer provided many resources available through her organization. These resources include The Miami-Dade Self-Sufficiency Standard - The Women's Fund Miami-Dade, Gender Equity Index - The Women's Fund Miami-Dade, and WFMD Gender Equity Dashboard Tableau Public. In addition to updates shared above on the Alliance for Infant Maternal Health (AIM) framework, there are four core principles in this model. These principles include (1) Public/Private partnerships, (2) Key medical leaders, (3) Public Awareness Campaign, and (4) Grantee Program. 	
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 1:33 p.m. The next Healthy Baby Taskforce meeting will be held in-person at the United Way Miami, Ansin Building, on Friday, February 21, 2025, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.	