

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE

Children Issues Committee Meeting

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TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
<p>Membership Total (32)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tenesha Avent, March of Dimes (Vice Chair) 2. Amyah Banks, Epilepsy Alliance Florida 3. Sienna Caunedo, United Way Miami 4. Gilda Ferradaz, DCF 5. Roxana Galera, Epilepsy Alliance Florida 6. Britney Gilliam, Miami-Dade County CAHSD 7. Kristin Guerin, Buddy System MIA 8. Jeff Hurst, DCF 9. Rachel Janvier, Urban Strategies Inc. 10. Kelsey Jo Evans, Camp Boggy Creek 11. Dana Klein, Gheorg 12. Fong Loo, Fit Kids of America 13. Teronna Maddox, UM 14. Esther McCant, Metro Mommy Agency 15. Talli Menchion, Easterseals/Early Steps 16. Toshiba Mitchell, Kristi House 17. Imelda Moise, UM 18. Beverly Montgomery, Easterseals/Early Steps 19. Cristiane Rocha, Colgate BSBF 20. Violet Ryland, DCF 21. Stacy Saez, Hope for Miami 22. Lakisa Smith, Urban Strategies Inc. 23. Darria Stafford Williams, United Way Miami 24. Catherine Toms, Green Cars for Kids 25. Dr. Cynthia Unuigbe, Sleep & Cradle Solutions 26. Darianna Andujar, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade 27. Julia Ayumi Schmidt Meguro, UM/ Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade (Intern) 28. Whensley Dareus, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade 29. Sandra Echeverry-Varona, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade 30. Juliocesar Pelaez, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade 31. Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade (Committee Liaison) 32. Candace Williams, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade 	

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<p>Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>The July 2024 monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was brought to order at 10:05 a.m. by Tenesha Avent. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.</p>	
<p>Approval of Minutes</p>	<p>There was a motion to approve the May 2024 Children Issues meeting minutes by Esther McCant, the motion was seconded by Beverly Montgomery.</p>	
<p>Executive Board Update</p>	<p>Tenesha Avent and Candice Schottenloher provided updates on the Executive Board to the committee. Board updates were provided on the June and July meetings. The Executive Board met virtually on Monday, June 10th, 2024. They had a presentation titled Leadership is not a Title: It is a Behavior presented by Florence Greer, Associate Teaching Professor, Public Health Practicum Coordinator, in the Department of Health Promotion and Disease Prevention at Florida International University. The presentation focused on different leadership styles and how one can be a leader with many different styles. It was also highlighted the importance of policy, system, and environmental change (PSE) work that is being done through the Consortium. The Board is working to build synergy as we will host our next Consortium elections later this year for the next 2-year term. If any members are interested in identifying their leadership style, there is a Leadership Style Assessment Test that was shared. To access, view here: http://www.yourleadershiplegacy.com/assessment.html</p> <p>The Executive Board met virtually on Monday, July 8th, 2024. Updates were shared on the topic of food insecurity, the Mayor’s Initiative on Food and Nutrition For All Collaborative, and on the food insecurity screening questions asked through the Healthy Hub at West Kendall Baptist Hospital. The Mayor’s Initiative on Food and Nutrition For All Collaborative hosted a stakeholder strategy meeting on Friday, June 28th, 2024 at the Miami-Dade County Main Library at Government Center. The collaborative has been able to establish pillars that they will focus their efforts on which include Policy & Procedures, Funding, Nutrition Guidelines, and Food Pantries & Distributors. The Board continues the conversation on COVID-19, optimal health, and addressing the drivers of health. Some of the DOH-Miami-Dade OCHP staff attended the HESJ Summit in Washington D.C. There were many presenter sessions discussing relationship building, using data to build narratives, research and evaluation listening sessions, transformative policy change, and how to keep project momentum. Other breakout sessions were included with the regions. Lastly, DOH-Miami-Dade shared flyers in English, Spanish and Creole on how to protect from Mosquito-borne illness. You may want to include this information on your website and share with your partner networks.</p>	
<p>Healthy Baby Taskforce Update</p>	<p>The Healthy Baby Taskforce update was provided by Esther McCant and Tenesha Avent. The Healthy Baby Taskforce is a sub-committee of the Children Issues committee. The Taskforce last met virtually in May. The Taskforce had a presentation by the Jasmine Project to learn more about how to further collaborate on the strategies that are in alignment among both collaboratives and reduce silos to achieve optimal health by focusing on a holistic approach through the factors of health that play a role in</p>	

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	<p>improving birth outcomes. The Taskforce will meet to discuss strategies to work together. The Taskforce partners have also been attending many events and conferences which will be discussed in today's meeting. The Healthy Baby Taskforce will meet virtually today at 12:30 p.m.</p>	
<p>Previous Action Items</p> <p>Heat, Swim, and Sun Safety Updates & Event Discussion</p> <p>Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias Children's Book Follow-up Conversation</p>	<p>The importance of sun and swim safety has been recognized by the committee through the work plan activity: By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will develop an educational awareness campaign on asthma, safety, heat, and sun protection. Tenesha Avent and Candice Schottenloher provided updates on this important topic which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Kendall Baptist Hospital Splash Day event was hosted on Saturday, May 19, 2024. There were approximately 300 attendees and 2,400 participated in educational resources. • The Swim Lesson Voucher Program (Senate Bill 544) was approved by Governor DeSantis on April 15, 2024. Prior to implementing the Program, the Department of Health is required to develop and publish rules establishing the processes for determining applicant eligibility, vendor eligibility, and voucher amounts. The effective date of the program is July 1, 2024. More information will be posted as available. To learn more, visit WaterSmartFL. • Last week, the Zero Drownings Miami-Dade Initiative was launched by the Children's Trust and Miami-Dade County. <p>A reminder was shared the committee is still working to achieve the following work plan activity: By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will fund a children's book related to Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias. The committee would like to focus on specific age groups for the book could be 6-to-9-year old's or 11 to 14 years of age children. For the teenager age group, the committee would need to identify a book. Past updates included (1) The potential book could be included on the Active Book List (eBooks) within the school system, (2) Made available at within the library system, (3) Reach Out and Read could be an opportunity where this book could be added and then distributed at children's wellness visits, and (4) The upcoming Alzheimer's Walk will be hosted on Saturday, November 16, 2024 to have printed copies available at a resource table at the event. More details will be shared next month.</p>	
<p>Performance Measures in Need of Improvement (Work Plan Review)</p>	<p>Tenesha Avent provided a high-level update on the status of the committee work plan performance measures in need of improvement discussion. There are a total of four committee activities remaining that are behind on the work plan. The committee briefly discussed the following work plan activities that are behind. These activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will fund a children's book related to Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Notes can be found under Previous Action items. • By September 30, 2024, will increase the use of the <i>Healthy Kids and Healthy Future Curriculum</i>. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The UF/IFAS Extension has confirmed to present on the <i>Healthy Kids and Healthy Future</i> Curriculum during the Friday, September 20th, 2024, committee meeting in-person at the United Way Miami. ● Provide a Consortium newsletter article on asthma and lead poisoning prevention. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Candice Schottenloher provided an update to the committee that DOH-Miami-Dade had an intern help create newsletter articles for both asthma and lead poisoning prevention. ○ A reminder was shared if committee members are interested in creating an article for the Consortium Connection Newsletter, please email Candice Schottenloher (Candice.Schottenloher@flhealth.gov) or Mary Aquino (Mary.Aquino@flhealth.gov). ● By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will increase from 0 to 2 new Walking School Bus sites. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For this committee activity a reminder was shared a facilitator would be needed to host the Walking School Bus sites as this is currently on hold with West Kendall Baptist Hospital. ● By September 30, 2024, increase the number of meetings with childcare centers to educate on foodborne illnesses. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jeff Hurst provided updates to the committee on this activity. He shared with the committee there are two ways we could host our meeting with the providers via online or an in-person meeting or training. ○ The committee member had a robust conversation on this activity. It was noted the topic of food insecurity should be included in these conversations. ○ There were interested committee partners in participating to help with this training and provide resources. The partners who were interested included UM Mailman Center, Colgate BSBF, Metro Mommy Agency, Buddy System MIA, and Easterseals/Early Steps. ○ More updates will be shared as this training plan is developed. 	
<p>Recognition of Improved Performance</p>	<p>During this meeting, for recognition of improved performance, the committee highlighted the consistency it has with new members joining monthly. It was noted that word of mouth is how a lot of members join the Consortium, also through community conversations and events, is when we see an increase in membership. The topic of community partner re-engagement was noted in how we would to re-engage faith-based organizations, Miami-Dade County Public Schools, Chamber of Commerce, elected officials, and other governmental stakeholders to the Consortium’s committees.</p>	
<p>New Business</p>	<p>The Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) Kick-off Community Partner Assessment Meeting was hosted on Thursday, May 30th, 2024, at the Firefighter’s Memorial Building. There was a total of 62 attendees. This meeting served as the kick-off to our community health planning</p>	

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<p>MAPP Kick-off Meeting Recap and Survey Launch</p>	<p>process to develop our new Community Health Improvement Plan for 2025-2030. The goal of this meeting was to develop a shared understanding among partners in Miami-Dade to help achieve optimal health and address social and economic barriers in the county. Additionally, the Community Partner Assessment Survey was launched during this meeting, which will help inform the development of the Community Health Improvement Plan and Community Health Assessment Plan (CHIP and CHA). The Community Partner Assessment Survey was launched during this meeting and is now open. This survey will help us identify the organizations involved in MAPP, who they serve, what they do, and their capacities and skills to support our local community health improvement process. The CPA helps us identify community strengths and opportunities for greater impact. Please take a moment to complete on behalf of your organization. The deadline to complete the survey was Thursday, June 27, 2024, and then was extended. A webinar will be hosted to share the results and the next steps in the community health planning process. Once the webinar date is available, this will be shared.</p>	
<p>Partner Updates</p>	<p>Committee members were able to briefly announce their current work/initiatives/ projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BreastfeedMIAMI: An update was shared by Candice Schottenloher. Please save the date for the 13th Annual Breastfeeding Awareness Family Day which will be hosted on Saturday, August 24th, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Doral Legacy Park Community Center. Additionally, please visit BreastfeedMIAMI to learn more and Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) webpage. • Buddy System MIA: Please share with Kristin if you have any recommendations of a location in Little Havana that might be interested in hosting a community fridge. Please email kristin@buddysystemmia.com. • Colgate BSBF: Colgate provides free dental screenings and oral health education for children up to 12 years old. Our main goal is to teach children and their families how to maintain their overall health and wellbeing. We will be happy to support your organization! Please contact Cristiane Rocha via email at bp_cristiane_rocha@colpal.com or 786-426-6902. • 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 for the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County and/or the Consortium for Healthier Miami-Dade to participate in your event. • DOH-Miami-Dade: An update was shared by Candice Schottenloher. • Gheorg: An update was shared by Dana Klein. She shared with the committee Gheorg is a mental health and wellness App for children under 12-years old. 	

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Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m. The next Children Issues Committee meeting will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams on Friday, August 16, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.	