

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
<b>Membership Total (62)</b>	<p><b>Virtual Via the Microsoft Teams Platform</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Chair:</b> Leyanee Perez, The American Healthy Weight Alliance</li> <li>2. <b>Co-chair:</b> Robert Hill, American Heart Association</li> <li>3. Vicki Zou, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County (Committee Liaison)</li> <li>4. Cindy Deroy, Florida Department of Health</li> <li>5. Paulette Paul, Florida Department of Health</li> <li>6. Simone Cheong, West Kendall Baptist Hospital</li> <li>7. Franchine Peters, Roxcy Bolton Rape Treatment Center</li> <li>8. Luis Moreno, Epilepsy Alliance Florida</li> <li>9. Zadymon Moore, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County</li> <li>10. Mariana TorresCampa, Florida Department of Health</li> <li>11. Maritza Mendoza, Alliance for Aging</li> <li>12. Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County</li> <li>13. Ron Manning, University of Miami Ryder Trauma Center</li> <li>14. Sandra Echeverry-Varona, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County</li> <li>15. Sara Batrony, SB Pro Writing Services</li> <li>16. Nancy Bonise-Charlemond, Planned Parenthood South North East</li> <li>17. Stacey Silver, Mom's Meals</li> <li>18. Dana Klein, Gheorg</li> <li>19. Raquel Carvajal, Florida Department of Health</li> <li>20. Tara Auclair, The Clearwater Project</li> <li>21. Monica Gonzalez, Art Foundation</li> <li>22. Isabel Arcia, Fit Kids of America Corp.</li> <li>23. Kelsey Jo Evans, Camp Boggy Creek</li> <li>24. Eddie Rodriguez, City of Hialeah Police Department</li> <li>25. Leonor Auson, Florida Department of Health</li> <li>26. Enjolie Plavin Vadella, University of Miami</li> <li>27. Virginia E Munoz, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County</li> <li>28. Lilia Bandrich, UnitedHealthcare</li> <li>29. Evelyn Corrales-Randle, Community Care Plan</li> <li>30. Rachel Carson, Florida International University</li> <li>31. Shannon Charles, Epilepsy Alliance Florida</li> <li>32. Luis Ferrer, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County</li> <li>33. Nicolette Siringo, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County (Intern)</li> </ol>	

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	<p>34. Christopher Pierce, FL Army National Guard</p> <p>35. Jair Espinoza, City of Miami</p> <p>36. Leiann Palma, Jackson's Women's Hospital</p> <p>37. Tamia Medina, University of Miami</p> <p>38. Christelle Cesare, Women's Hospital at Jackson Memorial</p> <p>39. Lenise Banwarie, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County</p> <p>40. Danielle Leys, Parent to Parent of Miami</p> <p>41. Nattaliah Earle, Urban Health Partnerships (UHP)</p> <p>42. Michelle Fundora, Health Choice Network</p> <p>43. Olatokunbo Osibogun, Florida International University</p> <p>44. Melody Velez, United Healthcare Community and State</p> <p>45. Kaydean Brown, YMCA of South Florida</p> <p>46. Edeline Mondestin, Miami-Dade County</p> <p>47. Pearl James-Isler, Jessie Trice Community Health System</p> <p>48. Cynthia Umana, West Kendall Baptist Hospital</p> <p>49. Louisenie Remy, Jackson Health Memorial</p> <p>50. Carmen Ramos-Watson, B/Adaptable</p> <p>51. Laurie Varona, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County</p> <p>52. Natalie Gray, Pharm. D.</p> <p>53. Anthony Robinson, Overtown Children &amp; Youth Coalition</p> <p>54. Jeanne Tamargo, Informed Familias</p> <p>55. Islamiyat Adebisi, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County</p> <p>56. Jesus Medina, Galatea Bio</p> <p>57. Elsie Lyonel, Florida Department of Health</p> <p>58. Dayamyra Perezfernandez, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County</p> <p>59. Trudy Gaillard, Florida International University</p> <p>60. Christine Toledo, Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing</p> <p>61. Natouchka Murray, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County</p> <p>62. Danay Rodriguez-Arritola, Larkin Community Hospital</p>	
Welcome and Introductions	The Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Committee of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade meeting was brought to order at 2:00p.m. by Vicki Zou.	
Approval of Minutes	There was a motion to approve the January 2025 Health Promotion and Disease Prevention meeting minutes by Simone Cheong and the motion was seconded by Dana Klein.	

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Executive Board Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Executive Board updates were provided by Leyanee Perez. The Executive Board last met virtually on Monday, February 10, 2025.</li> <li>• The Consortium has now completed its nomination and elections process for the Executive Board Co-Chair roles. The new Co-Chairs, Dr. Cristina Brito (West Kendall Baptist) and Mr. Robert Hill (American Heart Association), will serve for the next 2-year term for the 2025 and 2026 calendar year.</li> <li>• Starting next month, the Board would like to start to convene the Planning Taskforce for the Consortium Annual Event and the Worksite Wellness Awards Ceremony, which will be hosted in September/October 2025. Rachel Carson and Melody Velez showed interest in signing up to be a part of the Taskforce.</li> <li>• The Board reviewed and approved the draft digital brochure that includes high level points from the elevator speech and health agenda message to share with interested partners to join the Consortium.</li> <li>• Robert shared an update about presenting for American Heart Month to the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade, Office of Community Health and Planning on February 7, 2025, to spread awareness about cardiovascular disease.</li> <li>• Updates were also shared on the topic of food insecurity, and the Mayor's Initiative on Food and Nutrition For All Collaborative. We are still in the process of getting more donations from other supermarkets and are still open to explore different avenues to continue supporting food pantries. Simone Cheong shared about a program in Orlando that takes near-expiring produce from Publix and works with another company that freezes the products into meals, which are then distributed to the needy and elderly in their community.</li> </ul>	
Member Spotlight Presentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This month's member spotlight was for Kelsey Jo Evans, Director of Outreach and Development for Camp Boggy Creek, which is a camp that serves children aged 7 to 17 with serious illnesses throughout the state of Florida. It is a dedicated camp space out in the wilderness just outside of Orlando with a state-of-the-art medical facility, including specialists for the kids' specific diagnoses, where kids can socialize with others like them while enjoying typical camp activities, such as swimming, boating, fishing, arts and crafts horseback riding, and theater. They offer Family Retreat Weekends for the family, caretaker, and/or guardian of the child to join them at camp as a steppingstone for the child to eventually attend their Summer Camp Sessions, where kids can enjoy some time away from their families and medical facilities/hospital stays. Camp Boggy Creek is funded by major donors and healthcare partnerships. For more information, please connect with Kelsey Jo Evans via email at <a href="mailto:kjevans@campboggycreek.org">kjevas@campboggycreek.org</a>.</li> <li>• This month's second member spotlight was for Robert Hill from the American Heart Association, an organization that aims to promote optimal health outcomes in 5 key priority areas: (1) raising awareness about cardiovascular disease in women, (2) addressing community needs, (3) ending e-cigarette &amp; tobacco use, (4) controlling blood pressure, and (5) improving nutrition security and</li> </ul>	

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	building health & well-being. Their current top 3 priorities are Community Readiness, Nutrition Security, and Patient Care. Community Readiness includes adoption of CPR training for staff and adoption of community CPR response, which means to make sure that there are plans in place for anyone in an organization or place of business to respond to a cardiac emergency by making sure there are working and accessible AEDs in the area or facility. Nutrition Security works to improve the food safety net, expand SNAP utilization, and coordination and collaborate between Direct Service Providers. Patient Care refers to increase in awareness, clinic and community linkages, and hypertension, cholesterol, & diabetes management. For more information, please reach out to Robert Hill at <a href="mailto:Robert.Hill@heart.org">Robert.Hill@heart.org</a> .	
Previous Action Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work Plan Activity Brainstorm Follow-up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We are continuing to work to develop the new Community Health Improvement Plan, which should be ready in the summer. The committee discussed updating the objectives and thinking of new ideas for the new CHIP.</li> <li>○ Robert shared updates on the American Heart Association (AHA) Community Impact Opportunity List.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Recognition of Improved Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Updates on Recognition of Improved Performance were not shared.</li> </ul>	
Performance Measures in Need of Improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The committee discussed the indicator for using push notifications on cell phones. Leyanee Perez suggested inviting a partner that is more well-versed with social media, apps, and technology that could help with this indicator.</li> </ul>	
Partner Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sara Batrony shared that SB Pro Writing Services is organizing a health education seminar on Saturday, February 22, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for the community in North Miami Beach at the Grace United Community Church where they will have healthcare professionals present on strokes, cardiovascular disease, women's health, and mental health.</li> <li>• Simone Cheong shared that West Kendall Baptist Hospital is hosting their free Baby Boot Camp event on Saturday, February 22 from 9:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the West Wing Auditorium where they will have community partners such as the Miami-Dade Police Department, OBGYNs, nurses, and midwives coming out to speak.</li> <li>• Shannon Charles shared that Epilepsy Alliance Florida is hosting a creative Happy Hour event in collaboration with the Arts and Business Council of Miami on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Futurama Arts Building. One of their local artists who suffers from epilepsy will be doing a live painting to advocate and raise awareness and support for individuals and families who are affected by epilepsy. Those interested in attending can access the Eventbrite here: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/creative-happy-hour-with-our-partners-epilepsy-alliance-florida-futurama-tickets-1235027724169?aff=oddtcreator">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/creative-happy-hour-with-our-partners-epilepsy-alliance-florida-futurama-tickets-1235027724169?aff=oddtcreator</a>.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Natouchka Murray shared that Office of Community Health and Planning Community Health Action Team has an outreach material called the Journey to Wellness Prescription, which is a non-pharmaceutical prescription that encourages physical activity, healthy living, weight management, a little bit of tobacco cessation. For more information: <a href="https://www.healthymiamidade.org/journey-to-wellness-rx/">https://www.healthymiamidade.org/journey-to-wellness-rx/</a></li> <li>Nattaliah Earle shared that Urban Health Partnerships is having an Older Adult Advisory Committee Meeting on March 12 at Senior Planet in Miami in the Wynwood location. They are looking to confirm a few speakers on the topic of senior nutrition.</li> </ul>	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 3:03 p.m. The next Health Promotion and Disease Prevention committee meeting will be held in-person at the Health Council of South Florida on <b>Tuesday, March 18, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.</b>	