

# Tobacco-Free Workgroup Meeting Minutes Monday, June 6, 2016

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Members Present	Bill Amodeo, All Star Media	
	Yasmin Dias Guichot, Health Foundation of South Florida	
	Brady Bennett, Health Council of South Florida	
	Tanya Garzon, Miami Dade Area Health Education Center	
	Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi, Florida Department of Health in Miami~	
	Dade County	
	Paola Menoscal, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade	
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	Nikki Chuck, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade	
	County	
	Kuan-Jan Ding, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade	
	County	
	Via Conference Call	
	Anjana Morris, Health Council of South Florida	
	Francesca Davis, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade	
	County	
	John Michael Pierobon, Member of the Public	
	Jordan Boudlal, American Lung Association	
Welcome and Introductions	The Tobacco-Free Workgroup was brought to order by Bill	
	Amodeo, Policy & Surveillance Subcommittee Chair at 9:32 am.	
	All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.	
Review and Approval of Minutes	The minutes from the Tobacco-Free Workgroup meeting held on	
	March 28, 2016 were reviewed. Yasmin Dias Guichot motioned to	
	approve the minutes and John Michael Pierobon seconded the	
	motion. Members of the Tobacco-Free Workgroup unanimously	
	approved the minutes from March 28, 2016.	
Updates from the Chair	Islamiyat Adebisi gave the Updates from the Chair report	
	on behalf of Georgette Kores. Unfortunately, Mrs. Kores	
	was unable to attend the meeting due to a previously	
	scheduled trip out of town.	
	In the report, the announcement of the new committee	



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	<ul> <li>leadership was made. Georgette Kores has assumed the role of Chair due to Nancy Hernandez stepping down from the position. Gratitude and appreciation for all of Nancy's hard work and dedication was expressed.</li> <li>The Executive Board report was also given. In the report, a brief summary of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami Dade Annual event and roundtable items were shared as well as information on the 2016 Florida Worksite Wellness Awards held in May. At both events, the workgroup was well represented and information on the work being done in the community was shared with attendees.</li> </ul>	
Healthy Community Action	There were no healthy community actions noted at this meeting.	
Tobacco Prevention Education and Awareness	• Islamiyat Adebisi gave a brief presentation on local tobacco health indicators. In her presentation, she provided an overview of the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), highlighted local tobacco health indicators and how the committee can review the data on a quarterly basis to gauge the progress made in regards to tobacco issues within the county.	
Tobacco Free Workplace Summit Planning	• Following the presentation, a discussion to plan the Tobacco Free Workplace Summit was facilitated. In the discussion, the committee decided the event should be held on Friday, September 9, 2016. The format was also decided to mirror last year's event by having a speaker share best practices, a panel of tobacco free worksites and experts, and exhibitors that can assist worksites in going tobaccofree.	
Subcommittee and Workgroup Updates	Policy & Surveillance     Bill Amodeo gave a brief update noting an increase in the use of electronic nicotine delivery systems. A recent study on the topic showed a link to an incurable condition called popcorn lung disease, also known as bronchiolitis	Liaison will forward Youth Summer Essay Contest Information to members.



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• Mr. Amodeo requested that members share any new information that they may receive.

### Communications & Public Relations

- Subcommittee Chair Judy Futerfas was unable to attend the meeting, but a brief update was given on her behalf by Bill Amodeo. The Hookah shop originally slated to open in the Health District has not, and will not be opening in the area.
- A letter to Publix that was drafted by committee members was also discussed. It was noted that there are templates of letters created by the committee to express concern about tobacco use and the selling of tobacco products. As expressed by the subcommittee chair, these available templates should be used.

#### Tobacco Free Worksites/Cessation

• Islamiyat Adebisi gave an update on Tobacco Free Worksites. As a follow up to the discussion held earlier in the meeting, the committee's Tobacco Free Workplace Summit will be held on Friday, September 9, 2016. More information will be provided at a later date. If interested in assisting, please contact Islamiyat Adebisi at Islamiyat.Adebisi@flhealth.gov.

## Students Working Against Tobacco

• Paola Menoscal gave an update on the Miami Dade Students Working Against Tobacco (SWAT) Chapter. Summer is now upon us and the Community and Faith based clubs are active and holding recruitment activities. To date there are over 300 youth involved in the Miami Dade SWAT Chapter. The SWAT Extravaganza was held on Thursday, April 7, 2016 for School based SWAT clubs and Saturday, April 16, 2016 for Community and Faith-Based SWAT clubs. The training at these events were student led and focused on Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems



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(ENDS) and the Point of Sale (POS). From the feedback received, plans will be made to hold a training in Fall 2016. Efforts to create new SWAT clubs will begin in the new fiscal year.

• John Michael Pierobon encouraged partners to have youth participate in the Youth Summer Essay Contest.

### Point of Sale and Young Adult Interventions

- An update was given by Nikki Chuck in regards to the Point of Sale Initiative and Young Adults Interventions Initiative. For Point of Sale, presentations have been given to local Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs on issues at the point of sale.
- For the Young Adult Interventions Initiative, Barry University's policy has been approved and will go into effect on July 1, 2016. St. Thomas University has expressed interest in creating a revised policy and plans are being created to assist local colleges and universities with observing the Great American Smoke Out in November.

## Smoke-Free Multi-Unit Housing

- Paola Menoscal gave an update on smoke-free multi-unit housing. Staff and partners continue to work in collaboration with PICH grantees and are currently working with St. Martin Apartments.
- Partners were encouraged to report on new smoke free properties and share any contacts interested in smoke-free multiunit housing.

## PICH-Public Housing/Senior Residential

• A public housing update was given by Francesca Davis and Kuan-Jan Ding. The Miami-Dade Public Housing Authority drafted policy comment period ended and the policy will go before the Economic Prosperity Committee on June 16, 2016. If approved, it would then be placed on the July meeting agenda for a vote before the full Board of County



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	<ul> <li>Commissioners.</li> <li>City of Hialeah Public Housing residents were recently surveyed and the majority were in favor of a smoke-free housing policy. The City of Miami Beach Public Housing Authority is currently in the process of drafting their smoke-free policy.</li> <li>At the last FALA meeting, a presentation was given to 85 assisted living and nursing home administrators of which six administrators requested technical assistance for policy creation. The organization is in full support of this initiative and is assisting with its promotion.</li> </ul>
Announcements	<ul> <li>The Health Foundation of South Florida will be accepting requests for proposals starting June 13, 2016. For more information, please contact Yasmin Dias Guichot at ydiasguichot@hfsf.org.</li> <li>The American Heart Association, in collaboration with Northwestern University Department of Preventive Medicine, is conducting a research study to better understand the public's knowledge, attitudes and behaviors about cigarette smoking and the use of other tobacco products. For more information, please contact Gus Lopez at gus@bidsflorida.com.</li> </ul>
Closing/Adjourn	<ul> <li>In wrapping up the meeting, Bill Amodeo challenged all members to do a healthy community action by the next meeting. He also requested that each member invite someone new to the next committee meeting. Some suggestions offered on who to invite were police officers, firefighters and code enforcement officers.</li> <li>The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 am and was followed by networking.</li> <li>The next Tobacco-Free Workgroup meeting will be held on Monday, July 25, 2016 at 9:30am.</li> </ul>