

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE
 Tobacco-Free Workgroup
 Meeting Minutes
 Monday, March 27, 2017

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Members Present	Dr. Richard Thurer, Chair, University of Miami Nikki Chuck, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County Francesca Davis, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County Kuan-Jan Ding, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County Paola Menoscal, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County Miguel Anjel Cano, Florida International University Teresa J. Frade, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County Guadalupe Barroso, Jackson Health Systems Vanessa Vassall, Florida International University <i>Via Conference Call</i> Yara Stanziola, Citrus Health Anjana Morris, Health Council of South Florida John Michael Pierobon, Member of the Public	
Welcome and Introductions	The Tobacco-Free Workgroup was brought to order by Dr. Richard Thurer at 9:36 am. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.	
Review and Approval of Minutes	The minutes from the Tobacco-Free Workgroup meeting held on January 30, 2017 were reviewed. Dr. Richard Thurer motioned to approve the minutes and Nikki Chuck seconded the motion. Members of the Tobacco-Free Workgroup unanimously approved the minutes from January 30, 2017.	
Updates from the Chair	Dr. Thurer discussed American Lung Association's (ALA) score card. Florida scored an "F" in 4 areas: Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Funding, Tobacco Taxes, Access to Cessation Services, and Tobacco 21, and a "B" in Smoke Free Air. Advocacy work is needed in these areas.	For more information on ALA score card, please visit: http://www.lung.org/our-initiatives/tobacco/reports-resources/sotc/

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	<p>John Michael Pierobon suggested for members to write Op-Ed pieces in order to gain support from state legislators in raising the tobacco sale age to 21 years old. He mentioned that currently there is House Bill 1093 that is being sponsored by a representative of the House.</p> <p>Dr. Thurer provided the Executive Board update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leadership with the Executive Board is up for election. • A presentation given on obesity indicated that no major progress has been made in this area. <p>Dr. Thurer reviewed the updated Tobacco-Free Workgroup Work Plan with members present.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No additional edits were made. <p>Tobacco Free Florida Week was introduced by Dr. Thurer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nikki Chuck mentioned that it begins the week of April 27, 2017. Tobacco Free Florida grantees will notify partners, worksites, colleges and universities of TFF Week and encourage them to celebrate TFF and promote quitting tobacco use through the Quit Your Way resources available. <p>Dr. Thurer briefly reviewed the Tobacco-Free Workgroup membership survey drafted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members present did not make any edits to the survey. 	<p>Kuan-Jan Ding will send the Work Plan to members on the call for review.</p> <p>John Michael will email Kuan-Jan, Dr. Thurer and Islamiyat a list of his contacts.</p>
<p>Healthy Community Action</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guadalupe Barroso from Jackson Health mentioned that they are providing cessation classes to employees at Emjac Industries and HBO Latin America. • Dr. Thurer stated that at Jackson Health, work is also being done to re-engage the community in cleaning up cigarette butts and to assist people in quitting smoking. • Yara Stanziola from Citrus Health mentioned that AHEC has been assisting in helping mental health patients at the facility in quitting smoking. Staff including psychiatrists and case managers 	

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	<p>are working together to assist in these efforts.</p>	
<p>Subcommittee and Workgroup Updates</p>	<p>Overview of Subcommittee and Roles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kuan-Jan Ding reminded the workgroup that several subcommittee chair positions are currently open. These include Tobacco Free Worksites, Smoke-Free Multi-Unit Housing, Young Adults Initiative and Point of Sale. <p>Policy & Surveillance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kuan-Jan Ding spoke on behalf of Bill Amodeo in regards to TFW postcards that are being distributed at various health fairs and events. <p>Communications & Public Relations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kuan-Jan Ding spoke on behalf of Judy Futerfas and mentioned that letters have been sent to Walgreens regional manager and UHealth director, City of Miami Beach, and the two Youth Essay contest winners. <p>Smoke-Free Multi-Unit Housing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paola Menoscal gave an update on smoke-free multi-unit housing. Apartment Finder is currently being used to assess smoke-free properties found on the list. • The South FL HOA Condo Expo will be held on April 5th as an opportunity for property managers and organizations to educate and network. <p>Tobacco-Free Worksites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nikki Chuck gave an update on Tobacco-Free Worksites. Emjac Industries underwent policy revisions and has a tobacco free grounds policy with one designated smoking area in effect as of February 2017. There is follow up being made with Westchester General Hospital to finalize their tobacco free grounds policy. 	<p>An e-mail was sent in regards to subcommittee chair openings.</p> <p>Inquiry was made on making palm cards available electronically. Once updated, it will be sent to committee by e-mail for distribution.</p> <p>Please let Paola Menoscal know of any additional places in Miami that have become smoke-free that can be added to the Healthiest Miami list.</p>

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	<p>AHEC has been providing cessation classes at HBO Latin America.</p> <p>SWAT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paola Menoscal and Francesca Davis gave an update on SWAT at schools and community organizations. Students participated in Kick Butts Day at YWCA and Henry Filer. This year Henry Filer held a chalk activity in which they wrote anti-tobacco messaging on the sidewalks at school for Kick Butts. <p>Young Adult Interventions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An update was given by Francesca Davis in regards to Young Adults Interventions (YAI) Initiative. In March, Barry participated in Kick Butts Day and partnered with the Student Government Association for the event. At St. Thomas University, a strategy plan is being developed in regards to having a full smoke-free policy for the entire campus. <p>Point of Sale (POS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nikki Chuck provided the update for POS Surveillance. All 417 stores that were assigned have been completed for Quarter 3 (January – March 2017). A total of 6 volunteers from FIU, 1 from UM, and 8 FDOH staff participated in completing the store surveys. Of the 417 stores assigned, 23 stores refused the survey, and 40 stores were officially closed. Types of stores that were surveyed included restaurants, convenience stores, gas stations, bars, lounges and hotels. The results of the surveys will be analyzed and discussed at a future time. <p>PICH-Public Housing/Senior Residential</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A public housing update was given by Kuan-Jan Ding. A policy has been drafted for Housing Authority of the City of Miami Beach and Hialeah Housing Authority, and is undergoing revisions. Miami-Dade Public Housing will be holding resident 	<p>John Michael reminded members that \$100 gift cards are available to award student participants who publish articles in a local/regional newspaper.</p> <p>SWAT is recruiting new clubs. If anyone is interested in joining SWAT for their school or community organization, please contact Paola Menoscal or Francesca Davis.</p>
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	<p>council meetings, finalizing their policy, and will present for first vote before the Housing and Social Services subcommittee. A final vote with the Board of County Commissioners will be held after. HUD received many questions about the mandate, and answers were provided on the Federal Register. If interested, please see:</p> <p>https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/12/05/2016-28986/instituting-smoke-free-public-housing</p>	
Member Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Michael mentioned that Hockey Night held on 2/26 was a success. TFW palm cards were distributed to many attendees. • Dr. Thurer mentioned that efforts are being made to engage city commissioners in meeting and discussing the workgroup's initiatives. • Dr. Thurer also mentioned that the workgroup should try to engage other partners in supporting the development of voluntary smoke-free zones, similar to the ones established at particular beaches located in Miami Beach. 	
Closing/Adjourn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am. • The next Tobacco-Free Workgroup meeting will be held on Monday, May 22, 2017 at 9:30am. 	