# CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE

Children Issues Committee Meeting  
Friday, May 19, 2017  
9:30 am-11:30 am EST

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| Membership Total (24) | **Vice-Chair:** Alfie Leon, Law Offices of Alfonso Leon  
Lisseth Guerra, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County  
Rani Panchanathan, Head Start Miami-Dade County  
Yasmin Dias Guichot, Health Foundation of South Florida  
Robert Hill, YMCA  
Heidrys Macha, WIC  
Patricia Pujals, Step Up at Mailman Center  
Tony Gasset, Healthy Start  
Ruby Natale, UM  
Cristina Brito, United Way of Miami-Dade  
Kristin Wallin, Kido Kinetics  
Gina Gonzalez, Amerigroup  
Brittney Lilly, Resident  
Jeannette Colwell, Prestige  
Eriko Grover, Florida Department of Health – WIC  
Esther McCant, Metro Mommy Agency  
Debi La Belle, The Education Fund  
Betty Alonso, Connect Familias  
Arleen Saraceno, Prestige  
Arely Lozano, YMCA  
Rachelle Theodore, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County |   |

**Via Conference Call:**  
Manny Fermin, Healthy Start  
Rosa Pache, Miami-Dade County  
Natalie Diaz, Miami Children’s Initiative  
Valerie Turner, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County
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<th>Welcome and Introductions</th>
<th>The monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was brought to order by Alfie Leon at 9:45 AM. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.</th>
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<td>Approval of Minutes</td>
<td>There was a motion to approve the March 2017 Children Issues minutes by Yasmin Dias Guichot; the motion was seconded by Ruby Natale.</td>
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| Subcommittee and Workgroup Updates | Alfie Leon provided the Executive Board update:  
  - Leyanee Perez is now the Co-Chair of the Executive Board along with Alina.  
  - There is now a taskforce that would be planning the next year’s Consortium annual event, open to all committee members.  
  - Consortium’s Social Media Challenge will go on until the end of May. |
| Committee Partner Updates | Committee members were able to briefly announce their current work/initiatives/projects; and members made connections between various organizations targeting the same concepts.  
  - Eriko Grover announced that the Annual Breastfeeding walk will be taking place on August 5th at Amelia Earhart Park/July 28th Community resource fair/WIC will be sponsoring a community baby shower targeting the area of Liberty City (is it by RSVP only).  
  - Betty Alonso – Healthy Mommy Happy Baby 2.0 will be starting, and on June 24th Connect Familias will be hosting a community baby shower.  
  - Cristina Brito – A dental RFP has been released and will be available until June 3rd.  
  - Ruby Natale – November 4th the University of Miami will be having an Innovations Conference at United Way (Topic: Obesity Prevention in Childhood)  
  - Rani Panchanathan – Head Start – open enrollment season is in process  
  - Manny Fermin - Healthy Start Coalition is in the process of educating community members on Zika. |
| Adjournment                | The next meeting will be held on **Friday, June 16, 2017 at Beacon Center 8323 NW 12th Street, Miami, FL 33126**. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM. |
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