

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE
Children Issues Committee – Healthy Baby Taskforce Meeting
Friday, March 15, 2019
12:30 PM-2:00 PM EST

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (15)	<p>Tenesha Avent, Health Council of South Florida, (Healthy Baby Taskforce Co-Chair) Esther McCant, Metro Mommy Agency, (Healthy Baby Taskforce Co-Chair) Betty Alonso, ConnectFamilias Rebekah Antoine, Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade Natalia Cap, Miami-Dade Family Learning Partnership Maria Carrero, Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade Suecia Mendez, Sunshine Health Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County Witson Faustin, Florida Department of Health in Miami Dade County Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami Dade County Takyah Smith, Florida Department of Health in Miami Dade County Valerie Turner, Florida Department of Health in Miami Dade County Karen Weller, Florida Department of Health in Miami Dade County</p> <p>Teleconference: Queen Holden, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County Cheryl Lorie, WIC</p>	
Welcome and Introductions	The monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues (Healthy Baby Taskforce) was brought to order by Esther McCant at 12:35 pm. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.	
Approval of Minutes	There was a motion to approve the February 2019 Healthy Baby Taskforce meeting minutes by Candice Schottenloher the motion was seconded by Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi.	
Old Business Online Brochure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Healthy Baby Taskforce (HBT) discussed the status of the online breastfeeding flyer. At February's meeting changes were recommended by the taskforce. These changes are currently being revised by the WIC team. Once the changes are complete, the revised document will be presented at the next committee meeting for approval. 	

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Online Resource Guide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Children's Trust will print their next Resource Guide in 2020. The Children's Trust are willing to integrate with us in their next print. The committee decided that the Obesity Taskforce will move forward with this guide because of its importance. The Children Issues Chairs are getting in contact with the Children's Trust to see if they would be willing to add an addendum on their site. - The Taskforce discussed possible resources they would like to see in the Resource Guide as it pertains to our target population that we are serving which include expectant families (mothers and fathers) and babies. The goal of the resources provided by the Taskforce will be local and as accurate as possible. - The recommendations of resources for the Resource Guide by the Taskforce include breastfeeding, obesity in pregnancy, education on diabetes, HIV/ STD, post-partum resources, early access to services, early entrance to care, preconception health, interconception care (ICC), early pregnancy test sites, and family planning clinics. 	
Breastfeeding Support in the Workplace Throughout Miami-Dade County Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - From the Healthy Baby Taskforce (HBT) discussion in February, Candice Schottenloher from the Florida Department of Health presented on Breastfeeding Support in the Workplace Throughout Miami-Dade County. This presentation discussed how you can implement support in the workplace for breastfeeding. The elements of a lactation policy and the timeline of implementation were discussed. - The presentation was open for recommendations and feedback as we are still working on the best approach to employers in the workplace. - From the presentation it was recommended that the policy approach would be acknowledged but not the focus of the conversation. Other important notes to consider when presenting to our target audience is the logistics of the workplace promoting their policies to their employees but also the families they are serving or providing a service too. Karen Weller discussed that there is a breastfeeding support policy at the Florida Department of Health that is currently being reviewed, that needs to be reviewed on an ongoing basis. 	Present to the Worksite Wellness Committee later in the year
New Business Addressing Infant Mortality in	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Taskforce had a discussion based on the Fetal Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) Project of Miami-Dade County data based on the top 10 zip codes in Miami-Dade County with the highest rates of infant mortality. 	Set up a Healthy Start presentation

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Miami-Dade County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The goal of the Healthy Baby Taskforce is to reduce infant mortality and improve the health of moms and babies. As a taskforce we want to be able to identify why this is happening in these areas, possible risk factors, and disparities that exists in these areas. - From the perspective of the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade, while the CHIP/CHA are currently being conducted we are noticing that zip codes that are of low SES and disadvantaged are showing higher rates of chronic disease, higher obesity and cancer rates, and shorter life expectancy in these areas. The Taskforce had discussed that other factors that can contribute to poor health outcomes like infant/maternal mortality are culture, timeline of doctor visits, and access to local resources. The Taskforce concluded that it is an array of issues not just one single root cause. - It was discussed to invite the Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade to come and discuss the FIMR process to give the Taskforce a better understanding to direct our work when reviewing the workplan. 	
Partner Updates	<p>Committee members were able to briefly announce their current work/initiatives/projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No updates were provided. 	
Adjournment	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 2:08 PM. The next Healthy Baby Taskforce meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 19, 2019 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Beacon Center, 8323 NW 12th Street, Suite #212, Doral, FL 33126.</p>	