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Attention:

We are currently accepting submissions for our next Newsletter! For more info email: Chastity.Spann@flhealth.gov

National Iuvenile Arthritis Awareness Month

July is Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month, dedicated to making everyone aware that children/youth develop arthritis, too! While progress has been made in treating Juvenile Arthritis, there is still a lot more to do to get to the bottom of the painful and debilitating disability rheumato disorder. This month's goal is to spread awareness. about the 300,000 children around the United States who are diagnosed with Juvenile Arthritis, and commend them for their courageousness, strength, and determination as they fight against this severe disorder.

To learn more about Juvenile Arthritis and how you can make an impact, please visit https://www.arthritis.org/.



Reference: Arthritis Foundation

SAVE THE DATE

Community Health Assessment and **Improvement Plan Community Meeting**





Community Health Assessment and Improvement Plan

A collaborative plan to improve the health and quality of life in Miami-Dade County.

The health of Miami-Dade County has changed over the last few years. Some health outcomes have improved, while others have not. The Community Health Assessment and Improvement Plan Community Meeting is designed to bring community members and organizations together to take a collaborative approach to prioritizing and addressing the needs of the community.

When: July 18th, 2019

Where: Fire Fighters Memorial Building

8000 NW 21st Street, Suite 222 Miami, FL 33122

Time: 8:00am - 4:00pm

Visit healthymiamidade.org for more information.

Youth and Young Adult **Essay Contest**

Now that school is out, finding activities for children can at times be a challenge. Challenge your youth to write an essay for the Youth and Young Adult Essay If the essay is published in a major Florida newspaper, the young author will receive a US\$100 gift certificate.

The Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade is a proud sponsor of the Youth and Young Adult Essay Contest.

Youth Young and Adult Essay Contest



World No Tobacco Day

Every year on May 31st, the World Health Organization (WHO) and global partners celebrate World No Tobacco Day (WNTD), an annual campaign to raise awareness on the harmful and deadly effects of tobacco use and second-hand smoke exposure. As part of the observance day, WHO recognizes individuals and groups that have made an outstanding contribution to the advancement of the policies and measures contained in the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Students Working Against Tobacco (SWAT), Florida's youth-led statewide organization, is one of six individuals and groups from the Region of Americas to be honored with a 2019 World No Tobacco Day award for their Not A Lab Rat campaign.

The Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Tobacco-Free Workgroup and the Tobacco Free Partnership of Broward County recently partnered to nominate the Youth Advocacy Board of Florida's Students Working Against Tobacco Program for this prestigious award. In hearing about the recognition, Dr. Richard J. Thurer, Chair of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Tobacco-Free Workgroup noted, "we feel strongly that SWAT is an excellent choice for this award because of SWAT's unique position as one of our nation's first youth-led tobacco prevention organizations, long history of evidence-based, youth tobacco prevention and awareness projects and track record of contributing to the decline of tobacco-use among youth in Florida". Congratulations SWAT for all of your hard work!



Congratulations to the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade for being awarded the Health Champion Award from the South Florida Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.



Events Calendar

July 2019

7/2 - The Mayor's Initiative on Aging: Aging Mastery Workshop, Coral Gables Branch Library, 3443 Segovia Street, 10;00am-11:30am

7/11 - Kids Get Hip and Fit Fair, 18701 NW 17th Avenue, Miami FL 33169, 11:00am-2:00pm

7/18 - Community Health Assessment and Improvement Plan Community Meeting, Fire Fighters Memorial Building, 8000 NW 21st Street, Suite 222 Miami, FL 33122, 8:00am-4:00pm To register, please visit https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8WHKPK5

7/27 - Commissioner Joe A. Martinez Health Fair, 10901 Coral Way Miami, FL 33165, 10:00am-4:00pm

For a complete list of Consortium Events click here!

Join the Consortium For A Healthier Miami-Dade!

Healthy Environment, Healthy Lifestyles, Healthy Community

The Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade was established in 2003 by the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County to address the increasing rate of chronic disease in the community. The goals of the Consortium are to:

- Integrate planning and assessment processes to maximize partnerships and expertise of the community in accomplishing its goals.
- Increase the percentage of adults and children who are at a healthy weight.
- Build and revitalize communities so people can live healthy lives.
- Increase access to resources that promote healthy behaviors.



Membership is free and open to all individuals who support the vision, mission and goals of the Consortium. To become a member and learn more visit our website www.healthymiamidade.org