

Children Issues Committee Meeting Friday, February 21, 2020 10:00am-12:00pm EST



TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
		NEEDED
Membership	Alina Soto, Department of Children and Families (Children Issues Chair)	
Total (27)	Cristina Brito, United Way of Miami-Dade (Children Issues Vice Chair)	
	Debra Albo-Steiger, Miami-Dade County Public Schools	
	Betty Alonso, ConnectFamilias	
	Tenesha Avent, Health Council of South Florida (HCSF)	
	Lenise Bennett, Jasmine Project	
	Debbie LaBelle, The Education Fund	
	Victoria Cividini, The Children's Trust	
	Lindsay Corrales, Health Foundation of South Florida	
	Denise Dawkins, Dawkins in House	
	Patricia Dufane, Common Threads	
	Ketia S. Harris, Jessie Trice Community Health System	
	Paloma Lopez Barrera, Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade & Monroe	
	Esther McCant, Metro Mommy Agency	
	Suecia Mendez, Sunshine Health	
	Eriko Robinson, WIC	
	Natalie Robles, ConnectFamilias	
	Islamiyat Nancy, Adebisi, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade	
	Bryanna McDaniel, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade	
	Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade	
	Valerie Turner, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade	
	Via Conference Call:	
	Dr. Ruby Natale, UM	
	Jennifer Rojo-Suarez, Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade	
	Aileen Saraceno, DentaQuest	
	Silvana Tchorbadjian, Colgate BSBF	
	Cindy Harrah, Nicklaus Children's Hospital	
	Sarah, Nicklaus Children's Hospital	
Welcome and	The monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was	
Introductions	brought to order by Alina Soto at 10:19 a.m. All members were welcomed and introduced	
	themselves.	



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Approval of	There was a motion to approve the January 2020 Children Issues minutes by Candice Schottenloher;	
Minutes	the motion was seconded by Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi.	
Project UP-	Debra Albo-Steiger from Miami-Dade County Public Schools presented on Project UP-START. This	Send presentation/
START	initiative focuses to ensure a successful educational experience for children and youth who are enrolled	intake form
Presentation	in Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) living in unstable housing collaborating with	
	various stakeholders to provide opportunities, remove barriers and promote a healthy sense of self. It	
	was highlighted in Miami-Dade County there are 10,000 students reported who are homeless. She	
	shared that if a M-DCPS student or family is identified as being in an unstable housing situation, please	
	contact projectupstart@dadeschools.net or to call 305-995-7558 or 305-995-7583.	
Executive Board	The Executive Board update was provided by Alina Soto. A brief update was provided that the Board	
Update	is finalizing the Consortium health message. An update was also provided to Save the Date for the	
	Consortium Annual Event & Awards Ceremony that will be hosted on Friday, October 2, 2020 at the	
	Jungle Island from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets will be \$75.00. There are sponsorship opportunities	
	available and exploring possible CEU options too.	
Healthy Baby	The Healthy Baby Taskforce update was provided by Esther McCant. The Healthy Baby Taskforce is	
Taskforce Update	a sub-committee of the Children Issues Committee. She shared the Taskforce recently presented to the	
	Jasmine Project on how the Taskforce began and ways the Taskforce can collaborate with the Jasmine	
	Project. Following the meeting, the Taskforce will go Facebook Live on the Metro Mommy Agency	
	page to address closing the gaps in Black infant mortality in Miami-Dade County at 1:30 p.m.	
Previous Action	The Children Issues Committee reviewed the updated 5-year committee work plan with all	
Items	recommended changes discussed at the February meeting. It was noted to keep in mind outreach to	
	faith-based communities and to continue to invite them. It was noted for the objective that includes a	
Committee Work	presentation on Aunt Bertha; this is being organized. It was also announced to keep in mind potential	
Plan Review	dates for the committee's Farmer's Market event.	
New Business	Alina Soto and Cristina Brito reviewed with the committee the objectives that need to be accomplished	
	this month. It was discussed at each meeting we will discuss at least two indicators from the work plan.	
Performance	The committee members will be notified before the meetings which indicators we will be working on.	
Measures	In the future, we will discuss objectives that need improvement and recognition of improved	
	performance.	
Partner Updates	Committee members were able to briefly announce their current work/initiatives/ projects.	
	• Alina Soto reminded the committee members they can participate by sharing their work through	
	newsletter articles for the Consortium Connection Newsletter. The word limit for the articles are	
	between 150 to 200 words. Please email articles to the committee liaison at	
	Candice.schottenloher@flhealth.gov.	



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•	Colgate BSBF: An update was provided by Silvana Tchorbadjian. Colgate provides free dental screenings for children 12 years old and under.	
•	DentaQuest: An update was provided by Aileen Saraceno. She shared the month of April is Oral Health awareness month.	
•	ConnectFamilias: An update was provided by both Betty Alonso and Natalie Robles. Currently, they are working on parent trainings, grant writing and working with the U.S. Census Bureau. Betty Alonso also shared they are looking at last year's data to identify gaps. Shared with the Healthy Mom & Healthy Baby grant they not	
•	The Education Fund: An update was provided by Debbie LaBelle. She provided an update that there are currently 26 food forests and 51 edible gardens. She also shared the Education Fund – Taste of Education will be on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at Jungle Island from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	
•	Common Threads: Patricia Dufane shared about the Small Bites Curriculum which focuses teaching children to learn about nutrition and cooking skills that they will use throughout life. Currently, they are hiring for summer positions.	
•	Early Learning Coalition: An update was provided by Paloma Lopez Barrera. She shared that VPKs state-wide is at 67% level that meets and exceeds expectations. Save the Date on April 25, 2020 there will be a training in Marathon, FL.	
•	Health Foundation of South Florida: An update was provided by Lindsay Corrales. They are currently working on their strategic plan and funding opportunities becoming available in March 2020.	
•	Metro Mommy Agency: An update was provided by Esther McCant. She shared that she is currently working with 7 doula mentees. She also shared a few upcoming initiatives she is focusing on which include ACEs, CPR, SUID, and SIDS.	
•	DOH-Miami-Dade: Valerie Turner shared the Save the Date for the MAPP Community Meeting which will be on Thursday, April 16 th , 2020.	
•	Jessie Trice Community Health System: An update was provided by KeTia Harris. She provided an update about their Breastfeeding Touchpoint program. Shared they are working on policy and follow the 10 Steps to Successful Breastfeeding.	
•	HCSF: An update was provided by Tenesha Avent. She shared there will be on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at the HCSF office there will be a disaster preparedness training.	
•	WIC: An update was provided by Eriko Robinson. The 2020 World's Greatest Baby Shower will be on Saturday, March 21, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ronald A. Silver Youth Enrichment Services (YES) Center located at 17051 NE 19 Avenue, North Miami Beach, FL 33162. Flyer will be shared.	2



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	• Tobacco Free Workgroup (TFW): Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi shared the 2020 Tobacco-Free		
	Workplace Summit will be on Friday, February 28 th , 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the		
	Firefighters Memorial Building located at 8000 NW 21 st Street, Doral, FL 33122.		
	• Dawkins in House: Shared with the committee that her organization provides CPR training.		
	• Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade (HSCMD): An update was shared by Candice		
	Schottenloher. Seeking Intake Coordinators for the Connect (Coordinated Intake &		
	Referral) Program. For more information, please visit our website <u>www.hscmd.org</u> . Save		
	the Date: HSCMD Annual Awards & Recognition Ceremony will be on Friday, March 13,		
	2020 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.		
	• United Way of Miami-Dade: An update was provided by Cristina Brito. She shared the 2020		
	Response Fund Process (RFP) applications will be due on March 6, 2020. The 2020 Response		
	Fund Process with funding opportunities in two of UWMD's impact areas are Health and School-		
	Age Education. The funding objectives are 1.) Health Literacy & Access 2.) Volunteer-Driven		
	Programming and 3.) Family Literacy.		
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 20, 2020 from		
	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the United Way of Miami-Dade Center for Excellence, 3250 SW 3 rd		
	Avenue, Miami, FL 33129.		