

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE
Children Issues Committee Meeting
Friday, July 17, 2020
10:00am-11:00am EST

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (25)	<p>Alina Soto, Department of Children and Families (Children Issues Chair)</p> <p>Tenesha Avent, Health Council of South Florida (HCSF)</p> <p>Lacy Boyles, American Heart Association</p> <p>Victoria Cividini, The Children's Trust</p> <p>Michelle Collins, Epilepsy South Florida</p> <p>Lindsay Corrales, Health Foundation of South Florida</p> <p>Helen Figueredo, Providence Health Care</p> <p>Ketia S. Harris, Jessie Trice Community Health System</p> <p>Jeffrey Hurst, Department of Children and Families</p> <p>Monica Martinez, Miami-Dade Public Library Systems</p> <p>Esther McCant, Metro Mommy Agency</p> <p>Suecia Mendez, Sunshine Health</p> <p>Sailasya Munamarty, End Exploitation Inc.</p> <p>Dr. Ruby Natale, UM</p> <p>Cristina Pujol, UM</p> <p>Jennifer Rojo-Suarez, Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade</p> <p>Nadine Rolle, Citrus Health Network</p> <p>Carla Sabugo, WIC</p> <p>Maite Schneker, UM</p> <p>Cristina Sudduth, UM</p> <p>Silvana Tchorbadjian, Colgate BSBF</p> <p>Stephanie Thomas, Community Member</p> <p>Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade/Monroe</p> <p>Valerie Turner, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>Rachel Walker, Urban Strategies Inc.</p>	
Welcome and Introductions	<p>The June monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was brought to order by Alina Soto at 10:04 a.m. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.</p>	
Approval of Minutes	<p>There was a motion to approve the June 2020 Children Issues minutes by Valerie Turner; the motion was seconded by Tenesha Avent.</p>	
Executive Board Update	<p>The Executive Board update was provided by Alina Soto. A brief update was provided that the Executive Board met virtually in July via Zoom. There was representation from all Consortium</p>	

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	committees. Board members provided organizational updates and their response COVID-19. A Save the Date announcement was shared on Friday, October 2 nd , 2020 will be the Health Equity and Leveraging Partnership to Improve Health Equity and Disparities webinar. A survey was shared with the Executive Board to vote on their top choice for a webinar topic and this was the topic chosen.	
Healthy Baby Taskforce Update	The Healthy Baby Taskforce update was provided by Esther McCant and Tenesha Avent. It was shared with the committee the Healthy Baby Taskforce is a sub-committee of the Children Issues Committee. The Taskforce will meet directly after Children Issues at 12:30 p.m. The Taskforce will discuss August as National Breastfeeding Awareness Month and ways to eliminate racial and health disparities in infant and maternal mortality.	
Previous Action Items	The Children Issues Committee members continue to share and provide updates on what their organizations are doing related to COVID-19. Many organizations continue to share they are teleworking, providing services virtually, and participating virtually with others in the community. Please see Partner Updates below for additional organizational and event details.	
Organizational Updates related to COVID-19		
Future Committee Meetings	The Children Issues/Oral Health Committee discussed briefly they will continue to meet virtually via Skype for Business. The committee will continue to meet for the complete full two-hour meeting time to conduct business as usual.	
Performance Measures in Need of Improvement	<p>The Children Issues Committee reviewed the committee's work plan. It is important to note there is a total of three activities that should be achieved and completed by September 30, 2020 of this year. One of those activities is continuously being met by discussing two to three work plan activities at each meeting. These activities were shared and highlighted on the workplan. The committee reviewed the two following activities under the strategic health priority area of Health Equity. These activities discussed include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify underserved areas to increase access to resources in these areas for the community. • Identify a minimum of three best practices and programs to be replicated within the community. <p>The group discussed briefly some of the underserved populations and areas in Miami-Dade County. During this discussion, it was highlighted with the current situation there is a current need to providing access to care for children in childcare centers. The members during the conversation were tasked to prepare for August's meeting to come prepared to share how their organization aligns with these activities and how they are working in the community. Additionally, at the August meeting the committee will have the Community Themes and Strengths Assessment presentation to help identify underserved areas related to the committee's work.</p>	Continue activity discussion.

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Recognition of Improved Performance	The Children Issues Committee discussed and reviewed the success of the committee's submission of Consortium newsletter articles. It was noted to continue this success, the committee's participation will be needed to achieve this work plan activity. The newsletter article topics include asthma, healthy lifestyles, health promoting environments, oral health, sun safety, and prevention and control of infectious diseases related to children aged 0 to 18 years old. The submission guidelines were shared with the committee.	Send newsletter article sign-up.
Partner Updates	<p>The committee members were able to share and briefly discuss their current work, initiatives, and projects in response to the current COVID-19 situation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American Heart Association: An update was provided by Lacy Boyles. She shared an update on their current work related to food insecurities with youth. • Colgate BSBF: An update was provided by Silvana Tchorbadjian. She shared they are currently working on their remote education and website to provide free resources to the community. • Department of Children and Families (DCF): An update was provided by Jeff Hurst. He shared an update that many childcare centers have closed. He also shared some upcoming updates on childcare regulations. Currently, they are only doing initial and renewal inspections for centers. The mission as always is to keep everyone safe: children, staff, and the community. • End Exploitation Inc.: An update was provided by Sailasya Munamarty. She shared this is a NGO she recently started. She is currently working with Lotus House to donate mask and books to them. She shared her group recently had a presentation about children's rights by Dr. Medina and will share future presentations. • Epilepsy Florida: An updated was provided by Michelle Collins. She shared there is free online epilepsy and seizure first aid trainings available. For more information, please contact Michelle Collins via email at mcollins@epilepsyfl.org. • Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County: Valerie Turner provided an update that the department continues to work hard to support county and state COVID-19 efforts. She shared COVID-19 testing has increased at West Perrine and Marlins Park. Additionally, we continue to share educational social media posts about COVID-19, handwashing, social distancing, and how to wear your face mask. • HCSF: An update was provided by Tenesha Avent. She shared they continuously offer virtual appointments to assists with Medicaid applications, temporary cash assistance, and food stamps. She shared the Health Council of South Florida Assistance Hotline is 786-708-0836. • Health Foundation of South Florida: An updated was provided by Lindsay Corrales. She shared the foundation's current strategic plan release is currently on hold. She provided the 2020 allocated 	Send Partner Update email.

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	<p>budget funds have been granted for COVID-19 response related to work with vulnerable populations, organizations with a strong track record and in need of COVID assistance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade (HSCMD): An update was shared by Jennifer Rojo-Suarez. She provided the HSCMD remains fully operational. She shared they launched the mailing campaign to the prenatal care providers to increase this outreach since the numbers have recently declined in prenatal care services. • Jessie Trice Community Health Systems: An update was provided by KeTia Harris. JTCHS plans to resume Breastfeeding Masterclasses in August for Breastfeeding Awareness month via Live Healthy Miami Gardens/CDC REACH initiative with community partners. JTCHS sites has free COVID-19 drive-thru screening starting at 3 years of age. JTCHS also continues to offer telehealth services. • Metro Mommy Agency: An update was provided by Esther McCant. She shared that she provides doula services and now offers HypnoBirthing Parent Classes. She shared to visit the Metro Mommy Agency Website to learn more. Please visit here: www.metromommyagency.com. For more information please contact Esther McCant via email at metromommyagency@gmail.com or via phone at 786-553-3122. • Miami-Dade Public Library Systems: An update was provided by Monica Martinez. She shared the libraries are currently open at a 50% capacity. She also shared they serve as a location to distribute re-employment and SNAP applications to the community. Lastly, she shared that summer reading is fully online and there is homework help and tutoring virtual sessions on Saturday mornings. • Providence Health Care: An update was provided by Helen Figueredo. She shared that Providence is seeing patients and providing every Tuesday to 30 families a box of fresh produce and fruits. • Sunshine Health: An update was provided by Suecia Mendez. Suecia shared Sunshine Health is currently supporting the Radio Program on 1490 AM Gospel Radio with Kiwanis of Northeast Miami. This program is designed to help pregnant families learn about resources in the communities. This series takes place on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 4:30 pm. • The Children's Trust: An update was provided by Victoria Cividini. She shared updates related to their programs: Stay Home Miami program, summer programs, YWCA 21-day challenge, and the Thrive by Five scholarship program. • University of Miami: An update was provided by Dr. Ruby Natale. She shared and provided an update on a series of videos in English, Spanish, and Creole for children that were created related to handwashing, wearing mask, back to school help with separation anxiety, and guidance for parents with the new COVID-19 guidelines. 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urban Strategies Inc: An update was provided by Rachel Walker. She shared her organization is a non-profit in 24 different cities, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. • WIC: An update was provided by Carla Sabugo. She shared despite COVID, WIC remains committed to promoting breastfeeding in our community. For its 9th year, the “2020 BreastfeedMiami” event will be completely <u>VIRTUAL</u>. We are excited to announce the 2020 <i>BreastfeedMiami</i> “Virtual Big Latch On” will take place on August 1st, 2020 from 9:45am – 11:45am with support from Live Healthy Miami Gardens in the City of Miami Gardens. Participants can register for the “Virtual Big Latch On” by accessing this link: https://tinyurl.com/WICBLO2020. She also shared more information to come on the Chocolate Milk documentary event that will be open to the public. • Please email any updates, flyers, events, articles to the committee liaison Candice Schottenloher at Candice.schottenloher@flhealth.gov. 	
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m. The next Children Issues Committee virtual meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 21, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. via Skype for Business.	