



Children Issues Committee – Healthy Baby Taskforce Meeting Friday, June 18, 2021 12:30 PM-1:30 PM EST

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total	Virtual Meeting	
(19)	Tenesha Avent, March of Dimes (Co-Chair)	
	Heather Baker, Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade (HSCMD)	
	Sharon Beck, Sunshine Health	
	Natalia Coletti, Miami-Dade Family Learning Partnerships	
	Jeannie Fisher, Sunshine Health	
	Carolina Garcia, The Women's Fund Miami-Dade	
	KeTia Harris, JTCHS	
	Cynthia Lebron, UM	
	Gloria Martinez, Tree of Life Parenting Center	
	Tamia Medina, FIU	
	Suecia Mendez, Sunshine Health	
	Valencia Norton, Sunshine Health	
	Jacqueline Ocampo, Sunshine Health	
	Xavier Panchana, FIU	
	Carla Sabugo, WIC	
	Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi, Florida Department of Health in Miami Dade	
	Queen Holden, 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	
Welcome and	The June monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues sub-committee	
Introductions	(Healthy Baby Taskforce) was brought to order by Tenesha Avent at 12:30 p.m. All members were	
	welcomed and introduced themselves.	
Approval of	There was a motion to approve the May 2021 Healthy Baby Taskforce meeting minutes by Candice	
Minutes	Schottenloher, the motion was seconded by Tamia Medina.	
Previous Action	- Tenesha Avent shared a reminder the <i>Pregnancy and Beyond: A Social Media Toolkit</i> has been	
Items	approved and can be shared with the community and with its partners.	
	- During the June meeting, the Taskforce reviewed the current outreach list of partners with social	
HBT Social Media	media accounts.	
Toolkit		

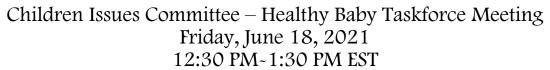


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	- The Taskforce continues to collect partner organization social media handles and responsible owners
	to the pages. From this outreach the committee can begin to work with these potential organizations
	to share the toolkit and share this messaging on their social media pages.
	- Tenesha Avent shared a friendly reminder with the Taskforce members, if they think of any other
	potential organizations for outreach, to please email the Healthy Baby Taskforce liaison the contact
***************************************	information at Candice.Schottenloher@flhealth.gov.
HBT Work Plan	- The Taskforce had the <i>Healthy Baby Taskforce Focus Group: Safe Sleep for Babies</i> presentation by
Discussion	Tamia Medina, FIU MPH Candidate and Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County Intern.
	- She provided the Taskforce with an overview about the purpose and the expected outcomes for
	Activity 4.8. This activity is to increase from 0 (2020) to 1 a focus group consisting of moms, dads,
	and grandparents to identify community beliefs about safe sleep per year. There will be two focus groups conducted with parents and caregivers.
	- From the focus group discussions, we want to identify community beliefs and opinions about safe
	sleep for babies, see how the community's beliefs align with science-based recommendations for
	safe sleep for babies, and to identify areas of improvement for community health providers or
	community programs.
	- The expected outcomes we seek from these discussions include to gain a better understanding of the
	community's health beliefs and to learn about different cultural influences and beliefs.
	- During this presentation a draft of the focus group discussion questions were shared and reviewed
	with the Taskforce members.
	- Key highlights to note from this conversation were the recommended changes shared by the members on the focus group discussion questions. These recommendations included:
	• It was recommended for the first question to include where you are putting the baby to sleep,
	how is the baby dressed, and what kind of tools are you using to put the baby to sleep.
	• It was noted to revise the wording for question 2.
	• Some other ideas mentioned by the members included to add a question about what has
	helped you find sleep, has anyone spoken to the parent or caregiver about how they think
	they are having their baby sleep, or received any information to increase their baby's sleep.
	• It was also shared there will be a survey shared with the participants of the focus groups to
	capture more data. These questions will be shared at the July meeting.
	It was highlighted to keep in mind the difference between daytime and nighttime sleep.
	It was noted the recommended changes will be shared at the July Healthy Baby Taskforce
	meeting.
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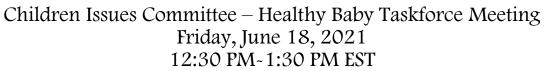






	- Additionally, during the presentation, 2016-2020 infant mortality data for Miami-Dade County and Florida by race and ethnicity was shared. The 2020 data will soon be released on Florida Health Charts. Once this data is released online, an announcement will be shared with the Taskforce.	
New Business	During the May Taskforce meeting, the group discussed the Breastfeeding Month 2021 & Beyond meeting group. Rocio Velasquez and Cheryl Lorie provided an overview on this community	
Breastfeeding	collaboration. During the June Taskforce meeting, the members were in consensus to support and	
Awareness Planning	participate in the Breastfeeding Month 2021 & Beyond community collaborative to bolster stronger	
Session	support. As a reminder, it was shared part of this collaborative there are work groups. These groups	
	include the Big Latch On, Branding & Marketing, Professional Training, The Colors of Breastfeeding,	
	The Art of Breastfeeding, and Breastfeeding Support Groups. The Taskforce briefly continued the	
	conversation to plan ideas for the remainder of the year. Queen Holden shared that National HIV Testing	
	Day is observed on June 27 th each year. She shared she will provide upcoming events to share with the	
	group. A reminder was shared if there are any suggestions for upcoming months, to please come ready	
	to share any other ideas at the July meeting.	
Partner Updates	Taskforce members were able to briefly share an update on their current work/initiatives/projects.	Send partner
	- DOH-HIV Perinatal: An updated was provided by Queen Holden. She announced she will be	updates email.
	sharing upcoming events happening in Miami-Dade County for National HIV Testing Day. This day	
	is observed every year on June 27 th .	
	- DOH-Miami-Dade WIC: An update was provided by Carla Sabugo. She shared WIC continues to	
	provide virtual services with the active waivers in place until July. She also shared they have an in-	
	person event scheduled for June 26 th , 2021 at the Miami-Dade College (North Campus).	
	- Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County: Valerie Turner provided an update to the Taskforce members. She shared the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County was	
	awarded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) a 2-year grant titled <i>National</i>	
	Initiative to Address COVID-19 Health Disparities Among Population at High-Risk and	
	Underserved, Including Racial and Ethnic Minority Populations and Rural Communities. This grant	
	will be referred to as the CDC COVID-19 & Health Equity grant. This grant will be used to further	
	build the infrastructure of the department and further programming within the community to address	
	health equity and health disparities. For more details about funding, please stay tuned and visit My	
	Florida Marketplace to learn more about the procurement process. This link will be shared in the	
	Partner Updates email.	
	- Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade (HSCMD): An update was shared by Heather Baker. She	
	shared the Connect Self-Referral Form for community partners to refer any prenatal or infant client	







	in need of services to the Connect Program. For more questions, please contact Heather Baker via
	email at hbaker@hscmd.org . She announced Healthy Start statewide has received a \$22 million increase. She shored they will be expending staff complete, and system of core to increase our impact.
	increase. She shared they will be expanding staff, services, and system of care to increase our impact in Miami-Dade County. Lastly, the HSCMD collaborated with ICU Baby and Sunshine Health on
	presentations to the HSCMD Team.
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	• ICU Baby: An update was shared by Leah Jayanetti. She shared a Save the Date for November 6 th , 2021 will be their inaugural Hope Parade for supporting families with a baby in the NICU and
	graduates and those babies that we've lost in the NICU as well. More details will be shared when
	available.
	Jessie Trice Community Health Systems (JTCHS): An update was shared by KeTia Harris. She
	shared the next LHMG Breastfeeding Masterclass will be on Tuesday, June 22 nd , 2021 at 3 p.m. She
	also shared they are co-hosting with WIC the virtual Baby Cafe Social Hour (support group) on the
	2 nd and 4 th Friday's of each month at 3 p.m. Lastly, she shared the clinic continues to work on
	sustainability efforts and working to promote breastfeeding and lactation support in the workplace.
	She also shared she would like to connect with those who serve as faculty or program directors at
	universities throughout Miami-Dade to gain insight on what's in place for evidence-based
	breastfeeding curriculums and policies.
	Sunshine Health: An update was shared by Suecia Mendez. She shared last fall they did a radio
	show on safety around the house and talked on pool safety. She shared if in the future partners are
	interested to have a Facebook Live event, they will be more than happy to participate in the event. It
	was noted to give about 2 months in advance notice of the event to confirm attendance. For more
	information, please contact Suecia Mendez via email at <u>SUPADILLA@SunshineHealth.com</u> .
	Another update was provided by Sharon Beck. She shared that Sunshine Health's Case Managers do
	work with their clients and teach on safe sleep as much as they are able too. Lastly, Valencia Norton
	shared they started monthly coalition meetings to discuss some of these items with their members to
Adioumment	go a step beyond with outreach to their clients.
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 1:31 p.m. The next Healthy Baby Taskforce virtual meeting is scheduled for Friday. June 18, 2021 from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. via the Go To Meeting platform.
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