

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE

Children Issues Committee Meeting

Friday, November 19, 2021

10:00am- 11:30am EST

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (15)	<p><u>Virtual Go To Meeting</u> Alina Soto, DCF (Chair) Viviana Alvarado, The Women's Fund Miami-Dade Heather Baker, Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade Michelle Collins, Epilepsy Florida Denise Dawkins, Dawkins InHouse CPR & Professional Services Matyka Holton, Children Home Network Jeffrey Hurst, DCF Leah Jayanetti, ICU Baby Suecia Mendez, Sunshine Health Ruby Natale, UM Zulema Santacruz, Banyan Health Systems Tamia Medina, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade Jessica Mulroy, 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</p>	
Welcome and Introductions	The November monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was brought to order by Alina Soto at 10:02 a.m. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.	
Approval of Minutes	There was a motion to approve the October 2021 Children Issues minutes by Heather Baker the motion was seconded by Tamia Medina.	
Epilepsy Florida Presentation	During this committee meeting, Michelle Collins from Epilepsy Florida presented on <i>Basic Seizure Recognition and Seizure First Aid</i> . The committee had this presentation to learn more how it affects children and increasing awareness as November is Epilepsy Awareness Month. During this presentation, she explained what epilepsy is and highlighted the different types of seizures and what they look like. It was also important to note she shared steps to take for seizure first aid. After the presentation, there was a Question & Answer session with a digital evaluation to be completed. Lastly, it was shared Epilepsy Florida has digital resources and posters available in addition to community presentations.	
Executive Board Update	Alina Soto provided the Executive Board update to the committee. She shared the Executive Board continues the conversation surrounding mental health needs and health equity in the Miami-Dade community. For the December meeting, they have a presentation scheduled by Dr. Ares-Romero to present and share on the mental health needs of our community. From this presentation, the Board will	

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	plan and discuss next steps on how to address the current mental health needs of our community through a virtual community forum.	
Healthy Baby Taskforce Update	The Healthy Baby Taskforce update was provided by Esther McCant. She shared the Taskforce reviewed during the November meeting the new fiscal year (FY) 2021-2022 work plan. This plan is in alignment with the state's scope of work. Additionally, she shared the Taskforce will begin to discuss the outcomes and the partner support for the safe sleep focus group discussions to understand the concerns and cultural beliefs of our mothers, fathers, families, and grandparents from our community on baby safe sleep. The Taskforce meets directly after Children Issues at 12:30 p.m. and welcomes new members to join.	
Previous Action Items	Alina Soto provided a brief reminder to the committee on the monthly committee reporting survey . This survey is as an easy-to-use tool to capture our members and their organization's work in alignment with the committee's work plan. It was reminded to the committee to complete this survey in advance so that at the next committee meeting updates could be shared. This is an opportunity to share activities that were completed in the previous month and to share upcoming events that may need committee support too.	Share QR flyer with committee.
Committee Reporting		
QR Resource Flyer	The final approved QR resource code flyer was shared with the committee. The committee liaison presented the website buildout that includes all the community partner resources that were shared for the QR code to link to the Consortium's website. To visit the resource page, please click here . The Children Issues Oral Health Committee of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade resource page includes resources to link families and children to health care services and programs in Miami-Dade County. The five categories developed include: 1.) Family Economic Support, 2.) Nutrition Resources, 3.) Clinical and Mental Health Services, 4.) Partnering Support and Referrals, and 5.) Other Special Topics. In addition to the website presentation, Alina Soto shared that she and Cristina Brito presented this initiative to the Executive Board at their November meeting. She provided the Executive Board feedback to the committee related to social media infographics and thinking of ideas on how to promote this resource flyer to the community.	
Performance Measures in Need of Improvement	The committee reviewed several measures related to children's mental health and the adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) as performance measure in need of improvement. These measures included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will host a mental health forum or symposium for Children's Health. • By September 30, 2024, increase the number of resources for ACEs distributed to the community. • By September 30, 2024, there will be a presentation on the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). 	

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Recognition of Improved Performance	<p>During the recognition of improved performance, the committee reviewed the following work plan activity: By September 30, 2024, the Children Issues Committee will provide and distribute its educational resources in English, Spanish, and Creole. It was highlighted during this past quarter from July 1, 2021 to September 30, 2021, the Children Issues Committee provided a total of 3,250 educational materials in English, Spanish, and Creole. These materials were shared at community events and health fairs. These included Kiddos 2021 Back to School and 8th Anniversary Event, the Art of Breastfeeding, PassQual Health Fair, Tree of Life Community Baby Shower and the 6th Annual Health Fair Festival. The committee had an opportunity to discuss and share any additional educational materials with the members.</p>	
Partner Updates	<p>The committee members were able to share and briefly discuss their current work, initiatives, events, and projects in response to the current COVID-19 situation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Department of Children and Families (DCF): An update was shared by Jeffrey Hurst. He shared that they are working on innovative ways for parents to understand that childcare centers are now open and important things to look for at the centers. Epilepsy Florida: An update was shared by Michelle Collins. She shared November is Epilepsy Awareness Month. In addition to her presentation, she shared that on November 30th, 2021 at 7 p.m. will be a virtual presentation in Spanish on Rescue Medication. Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County: An update was shared by Valerie Turner and Candice Schottenloher. It was shared the first Health Equity Office Advisory Committee (HEO-AC) meeting will be held virtually on Friday, December 3, 2021. Meeting invitations were shared with organizational leaders. Additionally, other CDC COVID-19 & Health Equity grant updates were shared that the Request for Applications (RFAs) has been posted on the Florida Department of Health's website. Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade (HSCMD): An update was shared by Heather Baker. She shared several updates on the work of the HSCMD. She provided an update on the Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome/Substance Exposed Newborn (NAS/SEN) project which provides intensive case management services to pregnant and parenting families in Miami-Dade who are impacted by substance abuse. From this program, they have seen an increase in referrals. They also received training on this program and adjusted the assessments to fit into the referral. She provided an 	

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	<p>update that they participated in the ICU Baby Hope Parade at Tropical Park hosted on October 23rd, 2021 as a gold-level sponsor. She also shared they will also be participating as a Platinum Sponsor in the upcoming 8th Annual Drive-Thru Holiday Homestead/Florida City WIC Family Resource Fair on Saturday, December 4th, 2021. Lastly, she thanked all the partners and donors who participated in Give Miami Day that was hosted on Thursday, November 18, 2021. The HSCMD continues to distribute portable cribs and car safety seats to their clients with the help of the Sunshine Health grant they received earlier this year. Lastly, she also shared about the Connect Referral Form. For any questions, please contact Heather Baker via email at hbaker@hscmd.org.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Metro Mommy Agency: An update was shared by Esther McCant. She shared that her agency received a small grant from ROSE to expand her breastfeeding support and classes. She also shared she participated in the Southern Birth Justice Network Press Conference where they discussed how to bring back brave birthing. - Sunshine Health: An update was provided by Suecia Mendez. She shared that open enrollment is open until January 15, 2022. She also shared other community partner updates that they are working with the Diaper Bank and supporting the WIC Resource Fair. - The Women's Fund: An update was shared by Viviana Alvarado. She shared this is the first time since 2016 that The Women's Fund has released a grant. This grant is related to funding for organizations that advocate for parents and children. - Please email any updates, flyers, events, and newsletter articles to the committee liaison, Candice Schottenloher, via email at Candice.schottenloher@flhealth.gov. 	
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m. The next Children Issues Committee virtual meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 21, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. via the Go To Meeting platform.	