

**CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE**

**Executive Board**

**Monday, December 13, 2021**

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION NEEDED</b>
Members present (9)	<p>Dr. Cristina Brito, United Way of Miami-Dade (Executive Board Co-Chair)</p> <p>Leyanee Perez, Nicklaus Children's Hospital (Executive Board Co-Chair)</p> <p>Nathan Burandt, FIU</p> <p>Jeannie Cidel, Aetna</p> <p>Susan Holtzman, Miami-Dade County - Office of the Mayor</p> <p>Barbara Martinez-Guerrero, Dream in Green</p> <p>Alina Soto, DCF</p> <p>Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>Karen Weller, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p>	
Welcome and Introductions	<p>The Executive Board of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade November meeting was brought to order by Leyanee Perez at 10:03 A.M.</p> <p>All members of the committees introduced themselves at the beginning of the meeting.</p>	
Approval of Minutes	<p>The committee approved the November meeting minutes with a motion from Marjorie Epstein Aloni and a second from Barbara Martinez-Guerrero.</p>	
Mental Health Presentation	<p>During this meeting, the Executive Board was scheduled to have a presentation by Dr. Ares-Romero. This presentation will be re-scheduled for next year as the presenter was unable to present due to an emergency. The Board would still like to continue to have this conversation to better understand mental health in Miami-Dade County as it relates to how the COVID-19 pandemic affected the community. Once the Board learns more on this important topic, they will discuss next steps to planning a forum for the community to share on this topic and healthcare linkages to resources.</p>	Reschedule presentation for next year.
<p>Previous Action Items</p> <p>Board's Role with COVID-19 &amp; Health Equity</p>	<p>Leyanee Perez and Cristina Brito led the Executive Board discussion as it relates to the COVID-19 pandemic. They provided the Board with updates on the COVID-19 booster shot as it is now available to everyone ages 16 years old and up. Other updates that were shared from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) included <a href="#">holiday celebration</a> and <a href="#">travel guidelines</a>. The Executive Board also had discussed community concerns as it relates to COVID-19 testing and the upcoming holidays.</p> <p>Another important topic of discussion that was shared were updates on the CDC COVID-19 and Health Equity grant. Leyanee Perez provided an update on behalf of the Health Promotion</p>	

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Bounty of Health Event	<p>and Disease Prevention (HPDP) Committee, the American Healthy Weight Alliance was awarded grant funding. Through this funding they will be able to establish a food pantry initiative and work on addressing food insecurity in Miami-Dade County. For other grant updates provided by the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County, please see below the DOH Programmatic Updates section.</p> <p>Leyanee Perez provided an update on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Bounty of Health event hosted by the Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Committee. This event was a two-part series. The virtual education session was hosted live on the Consortium's YouTube channel on Wednesday, November 17, 2021. There was a total of 125 views. The Bounty of Health Drive-Thru Food Distribution event was hosted on Thursday, November 18, 2021 at the West Perrine Health Center. There was a total of about 320 families served. The food for the event was donated and provided by our Farm Share partners. Additionally, there was a total of 26 Consortium partners who participated in both the virtual session and provided educational materials for this community event.</p>	
Marketing & Membership Updates	<p>Candice Schottenloher provided the Marketing &amp; Membership updates to the Executive Board. The Consortium Membership Directory continues to be monitored and updated weekly. A reminder was shared with the Board to share with their committee members in 2022 to continue to update their contact information and if any changes were needed to please complete the <a href="#">Membership Form</a>.</p>	
DOH Programmatic Updates	<p>Mrs. Weller provided the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County with Programmatic Updates to the Executive Board. She shared there were nine applicants awarded through the RFA 21-001. These included: CLT Business Solutions, Common Threads, Live Healthy Little Havana, Lotus House, Metro Mommy Agency, Open Door Health Center Inc., Overtown Children &amp; Youth Coalition, Recover/Restart/Refreshed, and United Way of Miami-Dade. She also provided after the meeting, the Notice of Intent to Award letter would be shared with the Executive Board with more details.</p>	Share RFA Notice of Intent to Award for (RFA) 21-001.
Partner Updates	<p><b>Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade:</b> An update was shared to the Executive Board by Dr. Cristina Brito and Leyanee Perez. They shared that Teri Arvesu has recently just retired from Miami-Dade County. She will continue to serve as the Vice-Chair for the Health Promotion and Disease Prevention.</p> <p><b>Children Issues:</b> Dr. Cristina Brito and Alina Soto provided an update on the committee. During the November meeting, the committee had a presentation by Epilepsy Florida for</p>	

	<p>Epilepsy Awareness Month. The committee also works to expand the dissemination of the QR resource flyer to the community and work on innovative ways to promote these resources. The committee has also cancelled their December meeting. The committee's next meeting will be hosted virtually on Friday, January 21, 2022 at 10 a.m.</p> <p><b>Elder Issues:</b> Susan Holtzman provided an update on the committee. She shared at the last committee meeting they reviewed an extensive legislative report for older adult funding. They also had a presentation the prior month on the Thrive305 initiative. She shared from this presentation; public safety was noted as the top issue for community members. They felt safe in their own neighborhood but did not feel safe in outside their own neighborhood. Other items the committee is currently working on include newsletter articles and addressing housing issues for older adults.</p> <p><b>Health and the Built Environment:</b> An update was provided by Barbara Martinez-Guerrero on the committee. She shared the committee did not meet in December. She shared the next upcoming committee meeting will be hosted virtually on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 10 a.m. Lastly, the committee has formed two workgroups for the Underline and Fit City. There will be more updates shared on these groups next month.</p> <p><b>Health Promotion and Disease Prevention:</b> Leyanee Perez provided an update on the committee. She shared the committee continues to have strong meeting attendance. At their last meeting, they had the <i>Basic Seizure Recognition and Seizure First Aid</i> presentation from Epilepsy Florida.</p> <p><b>Healthy Baby Taskforce:</b> Candice Schottenloher provided an update on the current efforts of the Taskforce. She shared the Taskforce has now began to conduct the focus group discussions for parents and caregivers related to understanding their cultural beliefs about safe sleep. Once the focus groups have all been conducted, we will then begin to analyze and share the results in January 2022. Also, the Taskforce has reviewed their new FY 2021-2022 work plan with the state's scope of work to ensure alignment.</p> <p><b>United Way of Miami-Dade:</b> Dr. Cristina Brito provided an update on behalf of her organization. She shared that United Way's CEO, Maria Alonso, has stepped down. The current interim CEO is Joe Zubizarreta. They are currently conducting an interim CEO search.</p>	
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	<p>Additionally, United Way of Miami-Dade's Board just approved 7 grants that will be 18 months long into the community that will provide volunteer and service providers with funding.</p> <p><b>Worksite Wellness:</b> Nathan Burandt and Jeannie Cidel both provided updates on the committee. They shared at their last committee meeting on Thursday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 they provided a year recap of the committee's accomplishments to the members. To prepare for next year, they shared a survey link to capture presentation topics for the first quarter. Lastly, they also continue to work towards the community garden activity on their work plan.</p> <p>Please email any updates, flyers, events, or requests to present to the committee liaison, Candice Schottenloher, via email at <a href="mailto:Candice.schottenloher@flhealth.gov">Candice.schottenloher@flhealth.gov</a>.</p>	
Adjournment	<p>The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m. The next virtual meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 10, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. via a virtual meeting through the Go To Meeting platform.</p>	