

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE

Children Issues Committee Meeting

Friday, July 15, 2022

10:00am- 11:30am EST



TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (25)	<p><u>Virtual Microsoft Teams Meeting</u></p> <p>Dr. Cristina Brito, West Kendall Baptist Hospital (Chair)</p> <p>Tenesha Avent, March of Dimes (Vice Chair)</p> <p>Carl Alonso, Epilepsy Alliance Florida</p> <p>Heather Baker, HSCMD</p> <p>Alexi Delagarza, CLT Business Solutions</p> <p>Patricia Dufane, Common Threads</p> <p>Gilda Ferradaz, DCF</p> <p>KeTia Harris, JTCHS</p> <p>Marie-Carmelle Lindley, Arts A L, Inc.</p> <p>Debi La Belle, The Education Fund</p> <p>Cheryl Lorie, DOH-Miami-Dade WIC</p> <p>Carla Sabugo DOH-Miami-Dade WIC</p> <p>Vania Macrohon, All Wellness Community Center Inc.</p> <p>Esther McCant, Metro Mommy Agency</p> <p>Briana Melien, Metro Mommy Agency</p> <p>Tamia Medina, UHealth</p> <p>Suecia Mendez, Sunshine Health</p> <p>Vanessa Hilaire, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>Imani Morgan, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>Jessica Mulroy, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>Dr. Valerie Bethel, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade (Committee Liaison)</p> <p>Sandra Echeverry-Varona, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade</p> <p>Dr. Elisa Trucco, FIU</p>	
Welcome and Introductions	The July 2022 monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues Committee was brought to order by Dr. Cristina Brito and Tenesha Avent at 10:04 a.m. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.	
Approval of Minutes	There was a motion to approve the June 2022 Children Issues minutes by Heather Baker the motion was seconded by Tenesha Avent.	

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E-Cigarette Use & Vaping: What You Need to Know Presentation	The committee had the <i>E-Cigarette Use & Vaping: What You Need to Know Presentation</i> by Dr. Elisa Trucco. During this presentation, a high-level overview was provided on e-cigarettes and vaping as it relates to adolescent use. It was highlighted to see what changed adolescent use in 2020. Some of these reasons included COVID-19 pandemic, Tobacco 21 - federal minimum sales age was raised in December 2019 for all tobacco products, and a nationwide ban on many flavored e-cigarette products went into effect. Dr. Trucco shared there still remains to be loopholes in the policy. It is also important to note the comparison of Cigarette smoking compared to vaping was shared and that they are both unsafe. Also, health effects and reasons for why teens vape were shared and are important to consider when looking at why they started and are unable to stop too. The presentation concluded with current research taking place at the ReACH Lab and NBC Lab at the FIU Center for Children and Families related to this topic. Other resources were also shared on how to quit and how to help those who need cessation resources. This presentation aligns with the committee's work plan activity: By September 30, 2024, educate the Children Issues committee members on vaping through a presentation.	
Executive Board Update	Dr. Cristina Brito and Tenesha Avent provided a few updates to the committee on the Executive Board meeting that was held on July 11 th , 2022. The Board reviewed the draft agenda and logistics for the Mental Health Virtual Summit that will be hosted on Friday, September 16 th , 2022. To register, please click here . The draft agenda was also shared with the committee during this meeting. Other updates were shared on prevention of Monkeypox and COVID-19. It was shared Sonshine Communications has created media materials that are being shared as a prevention tool. Additionally, future updates will be shared on the work of the CDC COVID-19 and Health Equity grant.	
Healthy Baby Taskforce Update	The Healthy Baby Taskforce update was provided by Tenesha Avent. The Healthy Baby Taskforce is a sub-committee of the Children Issues committee. The Taskforce is currently working on a community survey to learn more about baby safe sleep in Miami-Dade. Additionally, the members are also working to address healthy foods and its importance to breastfeeding through the <i>Healthy Corner Store</i> initiative with Florida Impact. The Taskforce will meet at 12:30 p.m.	
Previous Action Items QR Code Resource Flyer	During this committee meeting the process of the QR Resource Code Flyer initiative was shared with the members. This is an opportunity for partners to share any updates on the dissemination of the flyer to the community and if organizations have any updated materials to include on the Children Issues Resource Page . This page includes the resources which link families and children to health care services and programs in Miami-Dade County. The digital flyer available on the Consortium's website. To access, please click here .	
Performance Measures in Need of Improvement	The committee briefly reviewed several work plan activities that relate to the priority area of Chronic Disease. The committee members have created a few actions steps to work towards decreasing tobacco/electronic cigarette use among children and meeting tobacco cessation activities. These measures included:	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By September 30, 2024, educate the Children Issues committee members on vaping through a presentation. By September 30, 2024, the CI Committee will partner with the Tobacco-Free Workgroup to improve health and quality in the community. <p>Additionally, Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi shared as updates become available through the Tobacco-Free Workgroup, they will be shared with the committee to further collaborate on a K-12 school cessation policy related to tobacco, vaping and e-cigarette use among youth.</p>	
Recognition of Improved Performance	<p>During the Friday, October 21, 2022, meeting, the committee will conduct the SWOT Analysis Activity. The last committee SWOT Analysis was conducted in February 2021. This initiative ties back to the work plan activity: By September 30, 2021, the Children Issues will conduct a SWOT analysis and review annually. Other updates were highlighted as committee successes through the work of Gang Alternative, Inc. and Colgate Bright Smiles Bright Futures (BSBF).</p>	
New Business National Breastfeeding Month	<p>Every year August is celebrated as National Breastfeeding Month (NBM). The U.S Breastfeeding Committee (USBC) announced this year's theme to be "Together We Do Great Things!". This theme is a celebration of the power and impact of our collective efforts to support breastfeeding in our communities. To learn more about the weekly themes, please visit here. The committee partners provided updates on the upcoming events that will take place in our community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11th Annual Breastfeeding Awareness Family Day will be held on Saturday, August 6th at the Doral Legacy Park from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. During this event they will host the "Latch On" as well as parenting workshops, health & resource expo, children's activities, giveaways, and the launch for the "Art of Breastfeeding". Art of Breastfeeding – This is an art exhibition series that will feature local artists and showcases visual art pieces of breastfeeding women and families of diverse backgrounds. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call for Artists for the Art of Breastfeeding will be accepting applications until Sunday, July 17th, 2022. First exhibition will be on Saturday, August 6th, 2022, at the 11th Annual Breastfeeding Awareness Family Day. Second exhibition will be on Friday, August 12th, 2022, at the Sunshine Health Welcome Room. Closing Exhibition will be on Saturday, August 27th, 2022, at the Barbara J. Jordan Health & Wellness Center. Check out the BreastfeedMIAMI Collaborative to learn more about how to get involved and support the upcoming August breastfeeding events here! <p>Other August events were shared for Back-To-School month. These included the Children's Trust Family Expos, Together for Children Event – Block Party Back-To-School Community Fair Saturday, August 13th, 2022 at the Joe and Enid W. Demps Park and the Bounty of Health Summer Bash event</p>	

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	that will be hosted on Saturday, August 27th, 2022 at the Homestead Miami Speedway. These events were shared as opportunities for the committee to collaborate and help support each others events that support children's health and wellbeing.	
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"> - A reminder was shared the committee voted to cancel the Friday, August 19th, 2022, and Friday, December 16th, 2022 committee meetings. Additionally, a reminder was shared the Friday, September 16th, 2022 Mental Health Virtual Summit will take place as the attendance for the September committee meeting. - Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade: An update was shared by Candice Schottenloher. She shared the next <i>Healthy Happens Here</i> webinar, <i>Understanding the Basics and Living with Diabetes</i>, will be hosted on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. To register, click here. It was also shared the next <i>Eat Fresh Series</i> Facebook Live Event will be hosted on the Consortium's Facebook page on Friday, September 30, 2022 at 12 p.m. - Department of Children and Families: An update was shared on behalf of Jeffrey Hurst on the Back-to-School event that will be hosted with Together for Children on Saturday, August 13, 2022. Flyers were shared and sent to the committee. - DOH-Miami-Dade WIC: An update was shared by Carla Sabugo and Cheryl Lorie. They both provided updates on National Breastfeeding Month (NBM). Please see under "New Business" all breastfeeding event updates that were provided. Event flyers were also shared too. - Epilepsy Alliance Florida: An update was shared by Carl Alonso. He shared if anyone has or knows someone with Epilepsy, his organization is offering services to help those in need. Please feel free to contact Carl Alonso via email at calonso@epilepsyfl.org. - Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County: An update was shared by Candice Schottenloher. She shared to save the date for the Bounty of Health Summer Bash that will be hosted on Saturday, August 27th, 2022. If you are interested in being a vendor, please click to register here. - Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade: A few updates were shared by Heather Baker. She shared the coalition will be participating in several events in August. These include the 11th Annual Breastfeeding Awareness Family Day, Tree of Life Community Baby Shower, Commissioner Joe A. Martinez Health and Safety Expo, and The Children's Trust Family Expos. She also shared they are expecting to receive additional funding from Sunshine Health to purchase car seats and portable cribs for families participating in the Healthy Start program. Additionally, she also shared there will be upcoming 20-hour breastfeeding counselor trainings and we expect to send a good number of our Healthy Start home visitors to those events. She shared since there will be an increased number of staff working in the community directly with clients, they will provide support and 	

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Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m. The next Children Issues Committee virtual meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 21, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams.	