

CONSORTIUM FOR A HEALTHIER MIAMI-DADE
Children Issues Committee – Healthy Baby Taskforce Meeting
Friday, May 19, 2023
12:30 PM- 1:30 PM EST

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Membership Total (17)	<p><u>Virtual Meeting</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tenesha Avent, March of Dimes (Taskforce Co-Chair) 2. Esther McCant, Metro Mommy Agency (Taskforce Co-Chair) 3. Beverly Montgomery, Easterseals/Early Steps 4. Heather Baker, HSCMD 5. Caroline Iparraguirre, Family Pathway Program, City of Miami Beach 6. Leah Jayanetti, ICU Baby 7. Bianca Montenegro, Resident and Elderly Resource Center, City of Miami Beach 8. Talli Menchion, Easterseals/Early Steps 9. Melody Velez, United Healthcare 10. Viviana Alcarado Pacheco, Women’s Fund of Miami-Dade 11. KeTia Harris, JTCHS 12. Carla Sabugo, DOH-Miami-Dade WIC 13. Skye Wheeler, Human Rights Watch 14. Cynthia Lebron, UM 15. Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi, Florida Department of Health in Miami Dade 16. Jessica Mulroy, Florida Department of Health in Miami Dade 17. Candice Schottenloher, Florida Department of Health in Miami Dade (Taskforce Liaison) 	
Welcome and Introductions	The April 2023 monthly meeting of the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade Children Issues sub-committee (Healthy Baby Taskforce) was brought to order by Esther McCant at 12:35 p.m. All members were welcomed and introduced themselves.	
Approval of Minutes	There was a motion to approve the April 2023 Healthy Baby Taskforce meeting minutes by Beverly Montgomery, the motion was seconded by Tenesha Avent.	
Healthy Baby, Healthy Corner Store Palm Card Initiative Updates	The business wallet card and palm card design for the <i>Healthy Baby, Healthy Corner Store Palm Card Initiative</i> was approved by the Healthy Retail Committee. Both cards will be reviewed for approval by DOH Communications and subsequently they will be printed and distributed in the community. The palm card has been translated into Spanish and the business wallet card is in the process of being translated. The Healthy Baby Taskforce is seeking members to translate both materials into Haitian Creole, Rebekah Antoine was suggested as a potential translator.	

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<p>Climate and Environmental Impacts to Birth Outcomes</p>	<p>At the previous Healthy Baby Taskforce Meeting, Skye Wheeler presented the <i>Research and Advocacy Project: Doulas, Justice, and Compensation Presentation</i> on behalf of the Human Rights Watch. The discussion was continued at this meeting. On June 1st there will be a roundtable discussion on doulas, the climate crisis, proper compensation and there will be a review of a draft report created in partnership with the Human Rights Watch, Metro Mommy Agency, Southern Birth Justice Network. Any recommendations and potential advocacy or support to this project are welcome. Potential locations to host the meeting were discussed.</p> <p>Metro Mommy Agency, March of Dimes, Birthmark Doulas, were all panel members at an event organized by Association of Maternal & Child Health Program (AMCHP). Discussions at this meeting included how climate impacts birthing people and their families including natural disasters and the lack of guidance for evacuations and post-disaster health impacts. Members expressed interest in having a speaker come to present further on this topic and in having a training on climate and maternal health. Members noted that this would be relevant and timely for hurricane season. Skye Wheeler offered to introduce a speaker from academia, emergency management was also identified as a potential presenter. Discussion regarding what resources are available for expectant families and families with young children to prepare for Hurricane Season occurred and gaps in this area were identified. The Mom and Baby Action Network's environmental justice work group with the March of Dimes will be releasing a report on this issue, The Women's Fund will be rereleasing their Heat Awareness Campaign.</p> <p>This work aligns with the new work plan strategy: Promote and support action-oriented community processes working with groups to bring awareness of the important climate and environmental impacts linked to birth outcomes for pregnant people and expecting families.</p>	
<p>New Business Consortium Website Updates</p>	<p>The Healthy Baby Taskforce discussed suggested changes and updates to the Consortium Website. Under the Healthy Baby Page, the Taskforce Activities Section requires updates to include the Healthy Cornerstore and Breastfeeding Initiatives and to feature the work being done on climate, Under Resources, members were invited to suggest resources to be included. Several resources were shared for inclusion in this section of the website. Carla Sabugo shared that Google Analytics Academy has a free course on website analytics. Website metrics such as click-rate were inquired about. The meeting minutes section was reviewed, and it was proposed to archive the older meeting minutes.</p> <p>On June 6th Esther McCant will be part of a panel at the Health Foundation of South Florida's Black Health Summit. The Early Learning Coalition will be having a Health Summit on June 9th. On June 15th Breastfeeding Café's Paint and Sip for Moms and Families will be held at the New Way Fellowship</p>	

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Summer Healthy Baby Taskforce Event Updates	Baptist Church. The Breastfeed Miami Family Day will be on August 5 th at Doral Legacy Park Community Center. The Art of Breastfeeding will be on August 26 th . Members noted that Mayor Daniella Lavine Cava has committed to maternal health and has been utilizing feedback previously given, she will be sending representatives to upcoming Breastfeed Miami Strategic Plan Meeting and members were encouraged to continue to engage with the Mayor regarding Healthy Baby Taskforce interests.	
Partner Updates	<p>Taskforce members were able to briefly share an update on their current work/initiatives/projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BreastfeedMIAMI: Saturday, August 5th, 2023, is BreastfeedMIAMI Family Day and will be hosted at Doral Legacy Park Community Center. The Art of Breastfeeding event will be held on August 26th. More details will be shared as they become available. - DOH-Miami-Dade WIC: An update was shared by Carla Sabugo. She shared the upcoming Health Summit: Advancing Early Relational Health that will be hosted on June 9, 2023 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The registration link will be shared following the meeting. - Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade (HSCMD): The Fatherhood Initiative has been launched and provides one-on-one home-based services to fathers. A Creole-speaking fatherhood coach has joined the program and HSCMD is seeking a Spanish-speaking fatherhood coach. They are currently taking referrals for services. - Health Foundation of South Florida: An update was shared on the upcoming 2023 Black Health Summit which will be held on Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at Florida Memorial University. The registration link will be shared following the meeting. 	
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m. The next Healthy Baby Taskforce virtual meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 16, 2023, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. via the Microsoft Teams Meeting platform. 	