



Prevention Committee Meeting
United Way Ansin Building, 3250 SW 3rd Avenue, Conference Room A, Miami, FL 33129
June 22, 2017 Minutes

Approved September 28, 2017

Members				Present	Absent	Guests	
1	Bannister, Christina		X			Barros, Alex	
2	Bennett, Brady				X	Bouciquot, Jean-Michael	
3	Branch, Rodney				X	Greene, Michael	
4	Duberli, Francesco		X			Munoz, Doralba	
5	Ferrer, Luigi		X			Sparks, Courtney	
6	Forrest, David		X			Verduga, Kepler	
7	Gonzalez, Victor		X			Williams, Alex	
8	Hess, Amaris		X			Wynn, Joey	
9	Howard, Alexis		X				
10	Jefferson, Shayna				X		
11	Jordahl, Lori		X				
12	Kenneally, Sarah		X				
13	Kubilus, Barbara		X				
14	Lee, Aquilla				X		
15	Miller, Ashley		X				
16	Moore, James Patrick		X				
17	Moore-Ramos, Morneque		X				
18	Pardo, Freddy		X				
19	Quintero, Samuel		X				
20	Reynolds, Brandon				X		
21	Williams, Stephen				X*		
22	Wyatt-Sweeting, Michele				X		
23	Zayas, Matilde		X				
Quorum = 9						Staff	
						Ladner, Robert	
						Singh, Hardeep	

(*): absent per Sections 2-11.39, Miami-Dade County Code, stipulating persons must be in attendance for at least 75% of the duration of the meeting of the Board or shall be considered absent from the meeting.

I. Call to Order/Introductions

The Chair, Sarah Kenneally, called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m. She welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.

II. Resource Persons

Alexis Howard requested for Behavioral Science Research (BSR) staff to identify themselves as resource individuals.

III. Review/Approve Agenda

Members reviewed the agenda. There were no changes.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Moved: Lori Jordahl

Seconded: Barbara Kubulis

Motion: Passed

IV. Floor Open to the Public

Ms. Kenneally opened the floor to the public with the following statement:

“During the 2013 session, the Florida Legislature passed Senate Bill 50 which requires state, county and municipal boards to provide members of the public a ‘reasonable opportunity to be heard’ on items and matters before the board.

On items that are on today’s agenda, members of the public have an opportunity to be heard concerning each of the items. If there is anyone who wishes to be heard, I invite you to speak now. Each person will be given three minutes to speak. Please begin by stating your name and address for the record before you talk about your concerns.”

The floor was opened to the public. There were no comments, questions, or concerns. The floor was subsequently closed to the public.

V. Review/approve meeting minutes of May 25, 2017

Members reviewed the meeting minutes of May 25, 2017. There were no revisions requested.

Motion to approve the minutes of May 25, 2017 as presented.

Moved: Freddy Pardo

Second: Morneque Moore-Ramos

Motion: Passed

VI. Membership

Hardeep Singh

Ms. Singh referenced the June 2017 Vacancy Report (copy on file) sharing that there is presently one vacancy in the committee as one member was terminated due to non-compliance. Ms. Singh reviewed the application requests to the Partnership Board with the committee.

VII. Standing Business

- **Partnership Report**

Alexis Howard

Ms. Howard reviewed the June 19, 2017 Partnership Report (copy on file). There were no questions, comments or concerns.

Dr. Robert Ladner announced that the County has finally received its Ryan White Program award – approximately the same amount as was awarded last year. The re-allocation process of approximately \$7,000 will occur at the next Care and Treatment committee meeting.

▪ **Prevention Mobilization Meetings**

Sarah Kenneally

Ms. Kenneally reviewed the HIV Prevention Community Mobilization meetings document (copy on file). The following initiatives were discussed:

- MSM work group
The MSM work group will be convening on July 6th and discussing health communication strategy and their presentation/updates to share at the July Joint Integrated Plan meeting.
- PrEP work group
The work group met last month and discussed pregnant women and PrEP. Gilead Sciences presented on the amount of Truvada prescribed have been issued in MDC and provided data on sales trends and growth. The group discussed the idea of mapping the data to gain more insight on access/trends/demographics. Gilead is working to generate said data by County.
- Hispanic Initiative
The group is launching the new initiative called “Salud a tu Alcance” on National HIV Testing Day at the Walgreens located on 400 Hialeah Drive from 10 AM to 3 PM. The next meeting will be pm Tuesday, July 25th from 2:30 PM to 4 PM at the International Rescue Committee office located at 730 NW 107th Avenue, Suite 100, Miami, FL 33172. The contact person is Karen Iglesias. The group is looking for a community co-chair.
- Black Initiatives Network
Their first meeting was held on June 5th and the goals/purpose of the Network were presented. The next meeting will be held on August 7th from 10 AM to 12 PM at the Health District Center.

▪ **FDOH Updates**

Sarah Kenneally

Ms. Kenneally provided an update on the “Getting to Zero” Task Force sharing that the report was presented to the Board of County Commissioners by Task Force Chair Senator Garcia on June 6th. The report was well received particularly with Commissioners Haymen and Edmonson. They have committed to pursuing legislation pertaining to criminal statutes in Tallahassee. They have endorsed any County-level involvement and have committed to supporting “Getting to Zero” awareness week (taking place in County building the third week in February 2018).

FDOH-MDC met with FDOH-Tallahassee to discuss implementation efforts and next steps. FDOH will be meeting with the County Ryan White Program with respect to recommendations related to care and treatment. An announcement will be made once a formal implementation plan has been finalized.

▪ **Updates on Committee Activities for 2017-2018**

Sarah Kenneally

- Planning for Day 1 of Community Assessment of HIV Prevention Protocols (CAPP)
Ms. Kenneally shared that the committee’s planning for CAPP 2018 will need to be postponed until FDOH receives guidance from the CDC’s funding opportunity announcement slated to be released soon. High Impact Prevention (HIP) will still be the focus but the strategies may change and that will impact the committee’s CAPP efforts. Planning for CAPP will likely be pushed to November 2018.

Freddy Pardo requested additional clarity on the funding cycle as CDC will be announcing FOAs for community partners. How much will this impact the funding cycle? Ms. Kenneally shared that FDOH will likely extend HIP for an additional six months to allow for enough time for organizations to apply and staff positions accordingly.

VIII. New Business

▪ Prevention Planning Group Nominations

Sarah Kenneally

Michele Wyatt-Sweeting and Freddy Pardo were the most recent representatives of the Prevention committee to the Planning Group. Both have decided to step down allowing two others to serve in this capacity. The committee would need to nominate another two individuals. The following members expressed interest:

1. Luigi Ferrer
2. Victor Gonzales
3. Samuel Quintero
4. James Moore
5. Francesco Duberli

Two members were recommended to serve on the Prevention Planning Group:

1. Luigi Ferrer
2. Victor Gonzales

Staff will email the two nominated persons instructions on the application process and a letter of support from the Partnership will also be required. Applications are due August 31, 2017.

▪ Integrated Plan Review Meeting (July 10, 2017)

Sarah Kenneally

- Procedural process for IP revisions

Going forward, a procedural process for IP revisions will become a standing item on the agenda. Staff will create a form that will be used anytime revisions to the IP are suggested. Ms. Kenneally encouraged the committee to raise concerns about any changes they would like to see using said form.

- Health Disparities

An area of improvement has been identified within the health disparities section of the IP that require some refinement (DP1- Blacks/African Americans, Hispanics, gay & bisexual men). The goal is to reduce numbers of persons newly diagnosed while simultaneously increasing testing (opposing metrics). This will be discussed further at the July IP meeting.

Morneque Moore-Ramos asked whether the committee can add a different goal/strategy to keep testing a priority to which Ms. Kenneally agreed.

Joey Wynn suggested a discussion between incidence versus prevalence as well as presenting data on “time to undetectable.” This would help on identifying areas for improvement particularly when using GIS mapping.

Dr. David Forrest suggested framing/presenting the data slightly differently by sharing data on identified undiagnosed positives as an accomplishment rather than failure. The reason for increased incidence in MDC has been to due mass testing efforts and that presenting data on identifying newly diagnosed persons should be seen as a success of our efforts.

- Additional discussion in preparation for IP meeting

No additional items were identified.

IX. Announcements

Dr. Ladner referenced the Partnership Attendance Requirements memorandum (copy on file). In accordance with County requirements for attendance at County commission and community board meetings:

- Five (5) absences – excused or unexcused – during the County fiscal year (October 1 through September 30) shall be grounds for removal.
- Absences which are due to Partnership business related travel are not counted against the total of five (5) absences.
- A member of the Partnership, committees, subcommittees, and workgroups must be in attendance for at least 75% of the duration of any scheduled meeting in order to be counted as present at that meeting. For a full two-hour meeting, for example, a member must be in attendance for 90 minutes of that meeting in order to be counted "present."
- Attendance at less than 75% of the duration of the meeting will result in the member being counted "absent."

Dr. Ladner reviewed the following committee meetings in July:

- Integrated Plan meeting will be held on July 10th; and
- Provider Forum will be held on July 25th.

Luigi Ferrer shared that Pridelines is hosting an Open House on Saturday June 24th and encouraged everyone to participate.

Amaris Hess shared that after last month's Prevention Best Practices Presentation by Dr. Santiago and Ron Ledain from Care Resource, Better Way of Miami contacted Dr. Santiago to present on PrEP/PEP and spoke highly of their presentation.

Stephen Williams and Barbara Kubulis requested an update regarding the committee's interest in discussing HIV testing efforts within the Miami-Dade County Public schools. Ms. Kubulis asked for an update with regard to relationship-building with school principals. Ms. Kubilis reported some frustration at the community level to provide testing in schools whereby the principal is supportive of HIV testing yet it is not offered. Ms. Miller shared that the testing program is evolving and that they are trying to improve a sustainable program allowing access to sexual health services. Additionally, they have moved to an after-school program model to eliminate the buy-in from principals and not interrupt instruction time

for non-academic purposes. Ms. Miller cautioned the committee that HIV prevention efforts are going to be further challenged due to the recent budget cuts that were announced. They are doing what they can with the available funding.

Freddy Pardo suggested that an update from the MDCPS become a standing agenda item for the committee.

X. Next Meeting

Ms. Howard shared that the next meeting will be held on August 24, 2017, at the United Way Ansin Building.

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved: Barbara Kubulis

Seconded: Victor Gonzales

Motion: Passed

The meeting was adjourned at 11:37 A.M.