



Prevention Committee Meeting
United Way Ansin Building, 3250 SW 3rd Avenue, Conference Room A, Miami, FL 33129
September 28, 2017 Minutes

Approved December 14, 2017

Members		Present	Absent	Guests	
1	Bannister, Christina		X	Bennet, Rodney	
2	Bennett, Brady		X	Jean-Michael Bouciquot	
3	Branch, Rodney		X	Cely, Rosaly	
4	Duberli, Francesco	X		Gallo, Giselle	
5	Ferrer, Luigi		X	Ly, Anna	
6	Forrest, David		X	Muñoz, Doralba	
7	Gonzalez, Victor		X	Muñoz, Virginia	
8	Hess, Amaris	X			
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	Quintero, Samuel	X			
19	Reynolds, Brandon		X		
20	Williams, Stephen	X			
21	Zayas, Matilde	X			
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Quorum = 8				Staff	
				Bontempo, Christina	
				Ladner, Robert	

I. Call to Order/Introductions

The Chair, Sarah Kenneally, called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m. She welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.

II. Resource Persons

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

III. Review/Approve Agenda

Members reviewed the agenda. The next Prevention Committee meeting date should be corrected to read *Thursday, October 19, 2017 at United Way.*

Motion to approve the agenda with the correction noted.

Moved: Barbara Kubulis

Seconded: Sam Quintero

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.”

There were no comments, questions, or concerns. The floor was subsequently closed.

V. Review/approve meeting minutes of June 22, 2017

Members reviewed the meeting minutes of June 22, 2017. There were no revisions requested.

Motion to approve the minutes of June 22, 2017 as presented.

Moved: Barbara Kubulis

Seconded: Sam Quintero

Motion: Passed

VI. Membership

Christina Bontempo

Christina Bontempo referenced the September 2017 Vacancy Report (copy on file) noting three (3) vacancies on the committee and one (1) application pending.

Doralba Muñoz submitted an application for membership. Ms. Muñoz had previously been a committee member but was removed due to non-compliance with attendance requirements. Ms. Muñoz detailed the circumstances regarding her lack of attendance and indicated she is now able to commit to attending meetings regularly.

The committee moved to accept Ms. Munoz as a member of the Prevention Committee.

Motion to accept Doralba Munoz as a member of the Prevention Committee.

Moved: Sam Quintero

Seconded: Matilde Zayas

Motion: Passed

VII. Standing Business

▪ Partnership Report

Sarah Kenneally

Ms. Kenneally referenced the June, July and August Partnership Reports (copies on file).

Ms. Kenneally asked for clarification on the appointment of Tamar Conyers to the Prevention Committee. Ms. Bontempo noted that Ms. Conyers is an appointed member of the Full Partnership and as such is required to sit on at least one standing committee. Since she had not previously been assigned to a standing committee, the Partnership made the appointment.

- **Prevention Mobilization Meetings**

Sarah Kenneally

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

- **The Miami Collaborative: An MSM Workgroup**

The last MSM Workgroup meeting was August 30, 2017. The main topic was the opioid epidemic. The collaborative reviewed what David Forrest, Ph.D., University of Miami, has found as to the characteristics of people using opioids and available resources. Needle exchange was discussed as well as medication assisted therapies which can be covered by Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and the Ryan White Program (RWP).

For National Gay Men's HIV/AIDS Awareness Day on September 27, the collaborative performed outreach at Gramps Bar in Wynwood, which hosts *Bingo with Ms. Toto* on Wednesday nights. Ms. Toto announced the outreach workers and Gramps was a welcoming venue for outreach activities. The event was a success for testing and condom distribution. Thursdays through Saturdays were suggested as better nights for a larger crowd.

The next meeting is October 18 at 1350 Health District Center and will focus on World AIDS Day planning. Regular meetings will begin again in 2018.

A World AIDS Day gallery event is being planned at the Bakehouse Art Complex/World AIDS Museum in Wynwood.

Ms. Bontempo requested to be contacted with details of any future events in order to secure Partnership representation.

- **Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) Workgroup**

Buttons and palm cards promoting PrEP were made available at today's Prevention Committee meeting. Palm cards include a link to the PrEP Locator Tool: www.prelocator.org. Members were encouraged to take these resources back to their agencies for distribution.

The workgroup has two key initiatives: building a PrEP referral system and tracking negative persons who access the system. Agencies who receive funding from the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County (FDOH) for PrEP should attend the PrEP Workgroup meetings.

The next meeting is November 29.

- **Hispanic Initiative**

The Hispanic Initiative is planning for their annual signature event at San Juan Bosco Catholic Church in Miami on October 14, to commemorate National Latinx AIDS Awareness Day (October 15). The event is culturally focused on Latinx and will include HIV testing, other health screenings, and resources targeted to the Latinx community. The event will be publicized through the church and about 300 attendees are expected.

Throughout the month, the Hispanic Initiative is visiting consulates throughout Miami promoting testing and local health resources.

The next meeting is November 28.

- **Black Initiatives Network (BIN)**

The BIN is working on the outreach initiative *Street Reach, Health Reach*. Members are standing on street corners, distributing condoms to people in cars and offering HIV testing from a mobile testing unit outside a local Walgreens. They are partnering with agencies throughout the county; the next outreach on October 13 will be at two sites in collaboration with Empower “U”, Inc. and Borinquen Health Care Centers.

A flyer with details on the next event was distributed at today’s Prevention Committee meeting (copy on file).

Iniciativa Hispana will host an adopt-a-block event on October 27 in collaboration with AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF).

The next BIN meeting is at the FDOH Doral location on October 2.

- **FDOH Updates**

Sarah Kenneally

Ms. Kenneally provided an update on the Getting to Zero Task Force. The County authorized FDOH to move forward with the FDOH recommendations; Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson (District 3) is organizing a meeting as to how the County will proceed with County recommendations. A report on the progress of FDOH Getting to Zero recommendations should be available by the next meeting.

FDOH is preparing for a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) site visit on October 29. The CDC Office of AIDS site visit is to see what FDOH is doing in regards to Getting to Zero, PrEP, Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) and Tuberculosis (TB). They will also be visiting Care Resource.

- **Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS) Update**

Jean-Michael Bouciquot

The CDC visit to MDCPS planned for September was postponed due to Hurricane Irma; the visit is tentatively rescheduled for November.

MDCPS is in the final stages of having mobile testing units available at two priority schools: William H. Turner Technical Arts High School (Turner Tech) and Homestead High School.

Schools are reaching out to MDCPS for testing.

Mr. Bouciquot will attend a workshop in Baltimore October 3-4, 2017, with the Healthy Teen Network to develop a referral guide for youth friendly sexual health services.

A policy and procedures training is scheduled for October 13 for outreach partners who work in schools.

Dr. Ladner noted there is a vacancy on the Full Partnership for the MCDPS representative; however, Mr. Bouciquot cannot join the Partnership as he is not a Miami-Dade County resident.

MDCPS is running two programs - mobile unit testing during after school hours at the two priority schools - using FDOH testing vans; and Healthy Kids expos, where providers may be able to participate.

VIII. New Business

- **Proposed Additions to the Integrated HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care Plan** *All*

Ms. Kenneally referred to the updated status of indicators for Prevention Objectives within the Integrated Plan (copy on file). She noted that targets are being met with the exception of tracking persons retained in care which is due to lack of data on clients who have transitioned to Affordable Care Act (ACA) insurance.

The same document includes modifications to the Prevention Objectives in order to align the Integrated Plan with CDC reporting requirements. Subrecipients who receive FDOH funding should align their goals with the updated plan.

The committee was asked to approve the modifications.

Motion to accept the modifications to Integrated HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care Plan as presented.

Moved: Barbara Kubulis

Seconded: Sam Quintero

Motion: Passed

The Integrated Plan will be updated to reflect the modifications, and the updated document will be brought to the November Joint Implementation Plan Review meeting.

- **Test Miami Awards 2017**

The Test Miami Awards ceremony is December 11 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Pinecrest Gardens. Attendees are invited to come early to tour the gardens.

Nominees will be contacted prior to the event.

- **Planning for 2018 Prevention Meetings**

The committee reviewed their 2017 calendar of agenda topics (copy on file).

The Annual Community Assessment of HIV Prevention Protocols (CAPP) meetings were delayed due to funding but planning can begin in 2018 for 2019 implementation. CAPP is a three-day community-based data-driven evaluation of existing HIV prevention protocols and/or initiatives that have been implemented in Miami-Dade County to reduce new HIV infections. Per the calendar of agenda topics, discussion and planning for CAPP will begin again in March 2018.

The committee agreed to align the 2018 agenda topics with those of 2017. Staff will bring an updated calendar of agenda topics to the October meeting.

▪ **Community Best Practice Presentations**

Sarah Kenneally

Best practice presentations are pending from University of Miami Adolescent Counseling and Testing Services and from Community Health of South Florida. Both presentations were delayed due to meeting cancellations. Staff will coordinate scheduling the presentations for the October and December Prevention Committee meetings.

Additional presenters will be solicited for presentations throughout 2018.

IX. Announcements

Ms. Kubilus announced Borinquen Health Centers will use their regularly scheduled health fair funds to hold a relief fair to raise funds and collect donations to aid Puerto Rico following Hurricane Maria. Borinquen is working with the Puerto Rican Chamber of Commerce and will begin collecting donations on October 4.

Amaris Hess noted that some persons were refused service at residential substance abuse centers because services were designated for HIV-positive clients only, which forced clients to disclose their status. Ms. Hess was advised to speak to the FDOH representatives after the meeting to get this issue resolved.

X. Next Meeting

The next meeting is October 19, 2017 at the United Way Ansin Building.

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved: Barbara Kubulis

Seconded: Sam Quintero

Motion: Passed

The meeting was adjourned at 11:31 a.m.