



Prevention Committee Meeting
United Way Ansin Building, 3250 SW 3rd Avenue, Conference Room A, Miami, FL 33129
December 14, 2017 Minutes

Approved January 25, 2018

Members				Guests	
		Present	Absent		
1	Bannister, Christina		x	Bennet, Rodney	
2	Bennett, Brady	x		Bouciquot, Jean-Michael	
3	Conyers, Tamar	x		Davidson, Khaleeq	
4	Duberli, Francesco	x		Gallo, Giselle	
5	Ferrer, Luigi	x		Hunter, Tabitha	
6	Forrest, David	x		Jaques, Gregory	
7	Gonzalez, Victor		x	Muñoz, Virginia	
8	Hess, Amaris		x	Tomas, Lordes	
9	Howard, Alexis	x		Verduga, Kepler	
10	Jefferson, Shayna		x		
11	Jordahl, Lori		x		
12	Kenneally, Sarah	x			
13	Kubilus, Barbara	x			
14	Lee, Aquilla	x			
15	Moore, James Patrick		x		
16	Moore-Ramos, Morneque		x		
17	Munoz, Doralba		x		
18	Quintero, Samuel	x			
19	Reynolds, Brandon	x			
20	Williams, Stephen	x			
21	Zayas, Matilde	x			
22	<i>Vacant</i>				
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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 10:10 AM 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. There were no additions or corrections.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Moved: Brady Bennett

Seconded: Matilde Zayas

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.”

Aquilla Lee advised the committee that Church United, led by Reverend Darryl K. Baxter, is promoting AIDS awareness by offering free HIV testing at different sites in Miami-Dade County. The church is having difficulty getting people to agree to testing and would like to offer Publix or CVS gift cards as an incentive. Anyone wishing to donate money towards gift cards or to volunteer should contact Ms. Lee. Ms. Kenneally suggested Ms. Lee should contact the FDOH Minority AIDS Coordinator. Note: *Ms. Lee is a committee member and her address is on file with support staff.*

The floor was then closed.

V. Review/Approve Minutes of September 28, 2017

Members reviewed the meeting minutes of September 28, 2017. There were no revisions requested.

Motion to approve the minutes of September 28, 2017 as presented.

Moved: Barbara Kubilus

Seconded: Francesco Duberli

Motion: Passed

VI. Membership

Christina Bontempo

Christina Bontempo noted the November 2017 Vacancy Report (copy on file) for the Committee’s reference.

VII. Standing Business

▪ **Partnership Report**

Sarah Kenneally

Ms. Kenneally referenced the November 2017 Partnership Report (copy on file).

Ms. Kenneally noted the Partnership accepted the Committee’s recommendations to sign on and promote the Prevention Access Campaign’s Undetectable = Untransmittable (U=U) message.

▪ **Prevention Mobilization Meetings**

Sarah Kenneally

Ms. Kenneally reviewed the *2018 HIV Prevention Community Mobilization Meetings* calendar (copy on file). There will be joint kick off meeting of all the mobilization teams on January 17, 2018 to coordinate efforts across the county. Invitations to meetings have been sent to the workgroup members.

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

The MSM Workgroup was focused on World AIDS Day through the end of 2017.

The next MSM Workgroup meeting is on February 28, 2018. The meeting will focus on strategic planning for 2018 activities.

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

The workgroup is focusing on developing an active referral system for clients wanting PrEP. Instead of giving a person literature on PrEP, testing sites can use either a paper or electronic referral to expedite the process. Registered testing sites will be contractually obligated to use the referral system. FDOH will be going to each testing site to train staff on using the referral process.

The workgroup is developing a Speakers Bureau, using the power of storytelling to promote PrEP awareness. Volunteers are needed; a flyer detailing the PrEP Speakers Bureau was included in the meeting materials (copy on file).

The next PrEP Workgroup meeting is on January 31, 2018 at Empower U (not FDOH as noted on the calendar); future meetings will be at the noted FDOH address.

- ***Hispanic Initiative (Iniciativa Hispana)***

The Hispanic Initiative concluded 2017 with several noted accomplishments including leading support of the National Latinx AIDS Awareness Day (NLAAD) event at Don Bosco Church which 20 community partners and more than 150 community members attended. Also, the Salud a Tu Alcance initiative was launched in June; three events were held which provided education, testing and condom distribution to community members and businesses.

An NIH contract has been awarded to the newly formed Center for Latino Research Opportunities (CLaRO) which will be focused on HIV, substance abuse and intimate partner violence in the Latino community. Staff will distribute information on how to get involved in the CLaRO Community Advisory Board.

Committee member Francesco Duberli was nominated as the Hispanic Initiative Chair. It was noted that having the chairs of each workgroup on the calendar would be helpful for future calendars.

The next Hispanic Initiative meeting is March 27, 2018.

- ***Black Initiatives Network (BIN)***

The BIN will hold two conference calls to plan National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day (NBHAAD): January 9 and January 23. NBHAAD is February 7. Organizations holding NBHAAD should contact FDOH to register their event. To join the conference calls and/or register an event, contact Praveena Saxena at FDOH.

The next BIN meeting is February 5, 2018.

▪ **FDOH Updates**

Sarah Kenneally

FDOH will find out this week how much of the requested CDC funding will be awarded to Miami-Dade County.

The first quarter report on Getting 2 Zero will be released on January 10, 2018 and will be provided to the committee at the January meeting.

FDOH updates and recommendations to the Integrated Plan will be brought to the committee in January.

There are two job postings for positions within the FDOH: MSM Health Educator and Testing Coordinator. The jobs are posted on the People First website: job.myflorida.com.

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

Jean-Michael Bouciquot

Mr. Bouciquot introduced Lordes Tomas as the new MDCPS Educational Specialist.

In October, sixty (60) members of the MDCPS staff received training on updated policies and procedures.

In November CDC site visits were conducted, including review of presentations, Reducing the Risk curriculum, and mobile testing units.

Mr. Bouciquot has been in touch with the Health Teen Network to conduct an online training for teachers. The training includes eight modules on how to teach. The curriculum includes gender identity training which is a recognized need in the school system.

It was noted that prevention and sexual health is addressed in the training.

▪ **2018 Prevention Meetings Calendar**

Sarah Kenneally

The committee reviewed the calendar (copy on file). Vice chair nominations and Getting 2 Zero update were added to the January agenda; review of Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) for non-MSM was added to the March agenda; and planning the Annual Community Assessment of HIV Prevention Protocols (CAPP) meetings was added to the April agenda.

VIII. New Business

▪ **HIV Prevention Best Practices Presentation – CHI**

Steven Williams

Steven Williams presented the Community Health of South Florida, Inc. (CHI) *Best Practices for Outreach Linkages* (copy on file). The presentation included information about CHI outreach services and programs; referral streams, pre-enrollment process and checklist; and linkage to care standards.

▪ **2018 Best Practices Solicitation**

All

The committee reviewed the *2018 Solicitation of Registered HIV Testing and Counseling Agencies for Presentations on Best Practices for HIV Prevention* (copy on file). The committee suggested a few changes: extend the due date to January 19, 2018; add an option to select the category of expertise relevant to each agency; and provide a checkbox regarding data: “Do you have data or access to data to support your outcomes?”

Members noted it is important to have presentations on evidence-based best practices whereby a link can be drawn between practices and outcomes. Presentations should indicate how results are produced and how the practices really effect the populations served. Dr. Ladner noted that BSR may be able to assist with data, as requested.

A suggested topic is PrEP for heterosexuals. If a best practice solicitation is not received on this topic, staff will try to identify an agency with a PrEP for heterosexuals best practice.

The committee will review submissions and select presentations at its January 2018 meeting.

▪ **2017 NHAS Indicators Data**

Sarah Kenneally

Ms. Kenneally presented *2018 Integrated Plan FDOH Planning Meeting Indicator* updates (copy on file).

Regarding retaining clients in HIV medical care, Dr. Ladner explained that for clients who have private insurance, it is a challenge to get viral load results, which are a measurement for retention in care, reported in the Service Delivery Information System (SDIS).

The committee discussed the impact of changes to Project AIDS Care (PAC) Waiver. Some private companies are reaching out to assist with the transition of clients from PAC Waiver case managers to non-medical case managers. It was noted that the RWP only serves about 10,000 PLWHA while there are more than 30,000 PLWHA in the county. Members noted that not having PAC waiver case management could be a burden on non-RWP clients since they do not have the assistance of another program to guide them through the transition. This is particularly a concern for persons who with co-occurring conditions such as mental health or substance use disorders.

▪ **Joint Integrated Plan Review Team Meeting Evaluation**

All

Members were asked to complete the Joint Integrated Plan Review Team Meeting (JIPRT) Evaluation (copy on file). Results will be combined with Strategic Planning Committee results and reported in March 2018.

Members asked that the JIPRT be structured with less presentations and more time for discussion. It was also requested that meeting materials be sent to members in advance of the meeting.

Where goals are being met, reporting should include what changes were made to reach those goals. Where goals are not being met, best practices and strategies working in other EMAs should be reported and then committee members should be invited to provide expertise. Where appropriate,

community stakeholders serving target populations should be invited to present working best practices to the committees.

Members expressed interest in learning more about what is working in the community regarding PrEP, retention in care, and eliminating health disparities among African-Americans.

IX. Announcements

▪ **Annual Vice Chair Nominations**

Christina Bontempo

Per the Partnership Bylaws, elections for Prevention Committee vice chair will be held in January. The Chair remains Sarah Kenneally as the designated FDOH representative on the committee. Members were given a memo (copy on file) detailing the qualifications for vice chair. Alexis Howard, Vice Chair, is eligible for a second term and will have her name placed on the ballot. Any other member interested in serving as vice chair should contact staff to have his/her name added to the ballot.

▪ **Other**

All

Members received a flyer for the Florida International University (FIU) Research Health Study (copy on file). Eligible participants are PLWHA with Hepatitis C co-infection. The study site is located at 3550 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, FL 33137.

Pridelines will host a Health Services Holiday open house on December 16 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. All are welcome.

The PozConnect Holiday Dance & Community Potluck on December 16 is now open to all community members. The listing will be updated in the *Community Newsletter*.

X. Next Meeting

The next meeting is January 25, 2018 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 11:43 PM.