



**Prevention Committee Meeting**  
**United Way Ansin Building, 3250 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Conference Room A, Miami, FL 33129**  
**April 26, 2018**

*Approved June 28, 2018*

Members				Present	Absent	Guests	
1	Bannister, Christina	x				Banaman, Monica	
2	Bennett, Brady	x				Bouciquot, Jean-Michael	
3	Conyers, Tamar			x		Branch, Rodney	
4	Duberli, Francesco			x		Davidson, Khaleed	
5	Ferrer, Luigi			x		Gallo, Giselle	
6	Forrest, David	x				Hunter, Tabitha	
7	Howard, Alexis	x				Jackson, Richardo	
8	Jefferson, Shayna			x		Jordhal, Lori	
9	Kenneally, Sarah	x				Mooss, Angela	
10	Kubilus, Barbara			x		Munoz, Virginia	
11	Lee, Aquilla			x		Renaud, Florianne	
12	Moore, James	x				Rodriguez, Belissa	
13	Munoz, Doralba	x				Saxena, Praveena	
14	Quintero, Samuel			x		Tomas, Lordes	
15	Reynolds, Brandon			x		Verduga, Kepler	
16	Williams, Stephen			x		Villamizar, Kira	
17	Zayas, Matilde	x					
18	Vacant						
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<b>Quorum = 7</b>						<b>Staff</b>	
						Bontempo, Christina	
						Ladner, Robert	

**I. Call to Order/Introductions**

The Chair, Sarah Kenneally, called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. She welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.

**II. Resource Persons**

Ms. Kenneally requested 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: James Moore**

**Seconded: Brady Bennett**

**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.”*

A question was asked as to what services are available for the 13- to 24-year old population; what, if any grants or initiatives exist to address the needs of the youth population, and what coordination is taking place around their care. (This was addressed in part during Prevention Mobilization Meetings Updates, below).

There were no additional comments. The floor was then closed.

#### **V. Review/Approve Minutes of March 22, 2018**

Members reviewed the meeting minutes of March 22, 2018. Under *Miami-Dade County Public Schools Update*, the second paragraph should read, “Recent awareness events . . .”; not “Recent testing events . . .”

**Motion to approve the minutes of March 22, 2018 with the change to the *Miami-Dade County Public Schools Update*, as noted above.**

**Moved: Brady Bennett**

**Seconded: Matilde Zayas**

**Motion: Passed**

#### **VI. Membership**

*Christina Bontempo*

Christina Bontempo provided the *April 2018 Vacancy Report* (copy on file) for the Committee’s reference. Ms. Bontempo noted there are vacancies on all committees and the Partnership.

There were two applicants for committee membership: Angela Mooss, Ph.D., Executive Director at Behavioral Science Research Institute (BSRI); and Belissa Rodriguez, Community Relations & Outreach Representative at Simply Healthcare/Clear Health Alliance. Each applicant stated her interest in serving on the committee.

**Motion to accept Angela Mooss as a member of the Prevention Committee.**

**Moved: Christina Bannister**

**Seconded: Patrick Moore**

**Motion: Passed**

**Motion to accept Belissa Rodriguez as a member of the Prevention Committee.**

**Moved: Patrick Moore**

**Seconded: Christina Bannister**

**Motion: Passed**

Ms. Mooss and Ms. Rodriguez were welcomed as new members.

#### **VII. Standing Business**

- **Presentation: Some Trends Among NHBS-HET Cycle Participants in MDC, 2007-2015**

Committee member Dr. David Forrest presented the findings of the National HIV Behavioral Surveillance study (copy on file). Dr. Forrest noted that the study found low socioeconomic status (SES) (low income and low education level) as the key HIV risk-factor for heterosexuals (non-injection drug users, non-MSM).

Dr. Forrest explained the selection of study participants and noted the targeted populations were determined by zip code and income data. The data have been shared with the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County (FDOH). Ms. Kenneally noted that FDOH compared the trends report to surveillance data and there is not an increasing trend in new positives.

The Ryan White Program Requests for Proposals for Minority AIDS Initiative funding will take the PrEP data into account in determining subrecipient funding in areas of greatest need for minority populations.

The study indicates the importance of Pre-exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) in the heterosexual population particularly for women. Across the state, approximately 5,000 men and 1,000 women have been prescribed PrEP. Florida International University and UM are hosting research studies on increasing PrEP usage among women.

A training activity on PrEP for women and young adults is scheduled for April 30.

- **Partnership Report**

Sarah Kenneally

Ms. Kenneally noted the *Partnership Report for April 16, 2018* (copy on file) was included in the meeting materials for the committee's reference.

Mr. Bennett was asked to report on the FDOH Patient Care & Prevention Planning Group (PCPG) meeting held April 18-19, 2018 in Tamp, FL. Mr. Bennett reported the meeting was largely focused on legislative issues, specifically needle exchange programs, LGBT rights and HIV decriminalization laws. Legislation expanding the existing needle exchange pilot program run through the University of Miami did not pass the Florida legislature; it was noted that the bill was opposed by the Florida Sheriffs Association. Those legislative issues are part of the 3-year statewide Integrated Plan for HIV. Other jurisdictions were interested in learning more about the M-DC needle-exchange program.

The AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) is to begin offering 90-day prescriptions for eligible clients statewide by the end of 2018.

For agencies applying for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Request for Application (RFA) to be released this summer, a focus on PrEP should be built into the application.

In 2017 the FDOH focus was on HIV testing and approximately 45 million impressions were completed. In 2018, the focus is on PrEP and early access to care: 32 counties offer PrEP; 42 health departments offer Test & Treat; and nine (9) health departments offer non-occupational post-exposure prophylaxis (nPEP).

FDOH epidemiological data for 2017 is due to be released between July and August.

- **Prevention Mobilization Meetings**

Sarah Kenneally

Ms. Kenneally highlighted the upcoming meetings and recent activities of the FDOH HIV Prevention Community Mobilization Workgroups:

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

FDOH hired an MSM Health Coordinator/Educator who is working with the workgroup. The groups discussed National Transgender HIV Testing Day (April 18). The workgroup is seeking transgender speakers. Training is needed on cultural sensitivity and best practices for data collection relating to transgenders.

The next MSM Collaborative Workgroup meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2018 at Pridelines, 6360 NE 4th Court, Miami, FL 33138.

- **PrEP Workgroup**

The creator of the AIDS Vu Pre-exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) Services Locator website (prelocator.org), Aaron Siegler, spoke to the workgroup. AIDS Vu.com is collecting data on all PrEP users by state, county, race and gender; the report is pending.

The next PrEP Workgroup meeting is scheduled for May 30, 2018 at FDOH, Health District Center, 1350 NW 14th Street, Conference Room 401, Miami, FL 33125.

- **Hispanic Initiative (Iniciativa Hispana)**

The AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF) is holding an event on SW 8th Street in Little Havana.

The next Hispanic Initiative meeting is scheduled for May 29, 2018.

- **Black Initiatives Network (BIN)**

Praveena Saxena, FDOH, announced the BIN is planning an adopt-a-block collaboration on June 22 in response to National HIV Testing Day.

The next BIN meeting is April 2, 2018 at FDOH, Health District Center, 1350 NW 14th Street, Conference Room 401, Miami, FL 33125.

- **Youth Workgroup – Ages 13-24 Years Old**

FDOH is working with groups aged 15 to 19 years old and 15 to 24 years old to promote HIV/STD testing and safe sex. Although HIV/STD testing is not in schools, FDOH programs are aimed to reach teens after school using mobile testing units. Approximately 10% to 17% of teens are being tested and bringing their friends to get tested. There are cases involving younger teens (13-14 years old) who are sexually active and present with chlamydia and/or gonorrhea, which provide an opportunity to speak to them about HIV prevention.

The Community Based Alliance (CBA) has started a Teen Sexual Health Committee aimed at issues arising in foster care and juvenile detention, including STDs, sex trafficking, teen drug use and parental drug use. The CBA will distribute a survey to address those issues and find solutions.

Westcare-The Village has offered to provide space for meetings and/or counseling.

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

*Jean-Michael Bouciquot*

Jean-Michael Bouciquot announced MDCPS is waiting for the contract to do testing in schools to be finalized. FDOH has applied for a new grant on testing and will know the outcome in July. Mr. Bouciquot will attend a professional development training to provide training to teachers.

Ms. Bontempo noted that a representative from MDCPS is still needed for the Partnership.

## **VIII. New Business**

### **- Integrated Plan 2018 Updates**

*Sarah Kenneally*

Ms. Bontempo noted some new pages and inserts for the Integrated Plan binders, and distributed binders to new members. New activities and updates will be considered at the June meeting.

Ms. Kenneally noted the CDC infographic handout “No New HIV Infections” (copy on file). This is a tool to show how HIV prevention initiatives are working to reduce HIV-related health disparities. The infographic is available on the CDC’s website.

Ms. Kenneally reviewed the strategy for presenting updates at the Joint IP Review Team Meeting in May. She will present a PowerPoint of updates. Dr. Ladner noted that questions and committee input should be encouraged throughout the presentations because member evaluations have indicated the audience feels there is too much data presented without discussion.

The FDOH update will include addressing challenges such as capturing data outside of FDOH testing facilities, how to measure impacts of prevention programs, including more non-FDOH partners (such as businesses and schools), and determining the best methods for evaluation. Evaluation currently relies on anecdotal evidence, not real data. For instance, there is more testing now than ever but there is not data to prove this is reducing new infections. Measurement of the impact is difficult due in part to non-standardized reporting. Solutions to these challenges are ongoing.

## **IX. Announcements**

Ms. Bontempo announced the Partnership’s New Member Orientation is May 10, 2018. New members are required to attend the training; current and prospective members are welcome but not required to attend.

## **X. Next Meeting**

Ms. Kenneally announced the next meeting is the Joint Integrated Plan Review Team meeting scheduled for May 14, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the United Way Ansin Building.

## **XI. Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn the meeting.**

**Moved: Matilde Zayas**

**Seconded: Barbara Kubulis**

**Motion: Passed**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.