



Prevention Committee Meeting
United Way Ansin Building, 3250 SW 3rd Avenue, Conference Room A, Miami, FL 33129
January 23, 2019

Approved March 28, 2019

Members		Present	Absent	Guests	
1	Bannister, Christina		x	Barros, Alex	
2	Bennett, Brady	x		Bouciquot, Jean-Michael	
3	Branch, Rodney		x	Coello, Erika	
4	Conyers, Tamar		x	Daumervil, Schedline	
5	Duberli, Francesco		x	Davidson, Khaleeq	
6	Ferrer, Luigi	x		Gallo, Giselle	
7	Forrest, David		x	Iglesias, Karen	
8	Ledain, Ron	x		Javier, Jose	
9	Lee, Aquilla	x		Jordahl, Lori	
10	Monestime, Roselaine		x	Kubilus, Barbara	
11	Mooss, Angela	x		Larios, Alejandro	
12	Muñoz, Doralba	x		Lee, Jisue	
13	Reynolds, Brandon		x	Munoz, Virginia	
14	Richardson, Ashley		x	Pasquale, Annie	
15	Rodriguez, Belissa	x		Renaud, Peggy	
16	Suarez, Sarah	x		Saxena, Praveena	
17	Zayas, Matilde	x		Schmuels, Samuel	
18	Vacant			Sparks, Courtney	
19	Vacant				
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Quorum = 7				Staff	
				Bontempo, Christina	
				Evans, Clarice	

I. Call to Order/Introductions

The Chair, Sarah Suarez, called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m. She welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.

II. Resource Persons

The Vice Chair, Luigi Ferrer, requested Behavioral Science Research (BSR) staff to identify themselves as resource individuals; and reminded all attendees to sign in.

III. Review/Approve Agenda

Members reviewed the agenda. There were no additions or corrections.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Moved: Angela Mooss

Seconded: Brady Bennett

Motion: Passed

IV. Floor Open to the Public

Ms. Suarez 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. The floor was then closed.

V. Review/Approve Minutes of October 25, 2018

Members reviewed the meeting minutes of October 25, 2018 (copy on file). There were no corrections or updates noted.

Motion to approve the minutes of October 25, 2018 as presented.

Moved: Brady Bennett

Seconded: Luigi Ferrer

Motion: Passed

VI. Membership

▪ January Vacancy Report

The report of Partnership and Committee vacancies was included in the meeting materials (copy on file). Members were encouraged to promote membership opportunities. Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County (FDOH)-contracted agencies are required to have a representative on the Prevention Committee; additional members are expected to apply as there have been new FDOH contracts negotiated recently. Other vacant committee seats are ideally filled by Ryan White Program clients or others living with HIV.

Two committee applicants were at the meeting: Karen Iglesias of FDOH, and Barbara Kubilus of Project Access Foundation. Both applicants introduced themselves and stated their interest in joining the committee. Members voted to accept the new members:

Motion to accept Karen Iglesias as a member of the Prevention Committee.

Moved: Belissa Rodriguez

Seconded: Luigi Ferrer

Motion: Passed

Motion to accept Barbara Kubilus as a member of the Prevention Committee.

Moved: Angela Mooss

Seconded: Ron Ledain

Motion: Passed

Members welcomed Ms. Iglesias and Ms. Kubilus as new members.

Mr. Ferrer noted the vacancy of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS) Representative. Jean-Michael Bouciquot is the committee’s liaison to the MDCPS but he lives in Broward County and so cannot fill the vacancy. Mr. Bouciquot advised that Martha Z. Harris, Administrative Director at Miami-Dade County Public Schools, would be the appropriate person to contact to fill the vacancy or suggest an applicant. Mr. Ferrer suggested a letter be drafted from the Partnership Chair asking for Ms. Harris to join the Partnership or assign a representative.

Motion to authorize the Partnership Chair to sign a letter to Martha Z. Harris, Administrative Director at Miami-Dade County Public Schools, requesting a representative to fill the Miami-Dade County Public Schools Representative vacancy on the Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership.

Moved: Luigi Ferrer

Seconded: Angela Mooss

Motion: Passed

▪ **2019 Member Contact Update**

Members were given time to complete the 2019 Contact Update Sheet (copy on file).

▪ **Annual Source of Income Statement**

Members were given time to complete the 2018 Annual Source of Income form (copy on file). Completion of the form is a state requirement for members who served one or more days on a County advisory board in the calendar year (2018). Staff assisted members, as needed, and collected the completed forms.

VII. Standing Business

- **Election of 2019 Vice Chair**

Luigi Ferrer is eligible for a second term as Vice Chair; no other members requested to be on the ballot (copy on file).

Motion to accept the Prevention Committee Vice Chair Ballot with Luigi Ferrer as the candidate.

Moved: Brady Bennett

Seconded: Barbara Kubilus

Motion: Passed

Members completed the ballot and Mr. Ferrer was elected Vice Chair for a second term.

Staff announced that per the Bylaws the position of Prevention Committee Chair is assigned by FDOH. Ms. Suarez has left the FDOH HIV Program; she will remain at FDOH in the local Administration Office. As such, Ms. Iglesias was assigned to chair the committee.

Members welcomed Ms. Iglesias and Mr. Ferrer as 2019 Committee Officers.

- **Partnership Report**

Staff noted the December 2018 and January 2019 Partnership Reports in the meeting packets (copies on file). The committee's recommended updates to the 2017-2020 MDC Integrated HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care Plan were accepted by the Partnership in December; a copy of the approved Plan was in the meeting materials (copy on file). The next Partnership meeting is at History Miami; members were asked to refer to upcoming meeting notices for details.

- **Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County (FDOH) Report**

Sarah Suarez

Ms. Suarez announced that for 2018 World AIDS Day, AIDSVu released their latest data which is available at <https://aidsvu.org/>. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have been able to break out data showing transgender as a separate gender category. FDOH has begun to rework their data with the same gender categories as CDC.

- **Getting to Zero Campaign**

Erika Coello

Ms. Coello reported on the Getting to Zero (G2Z) campaign. The campaign is in the second phase which is focused on Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) and condoms. Ms. Coello advised members to keep an eye out for G2Z advertisements on billboards, digital billboards, and buses throughout the County, as well as through the County newsletter and website, on the radio, and via other public relations channels. Government Center will be "wrapped" for G2Z awareness. Ads are produced in English, Spanish, and Creole. The campaign is working on continued support from County Commissioners. There will be G2Z

events in every County district this year; agencies are encouraged to incorporate G2Z in their local event planning.

On February 22 the G2Z signature event will be held at Government Center featuring 60 or more vendors, HIV mobile testing units, condom distribution, and educational sessions (on the 18th Floor) on various topics such as PrEP, women on PrEP, condom application, and condom negotiation. Contact Ms. Coello to become a vendor or a speaker on one of these or other related topics; speakers will give 15 minute presentations.

FDOH has received 100,000 G2Z branded condoms. Condoms will be distributed on February 6 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the 2600 W. Flagler Street location. Contact Ms. Coello at Erika.Coello@flhealth.gov for further information on G2Z campaign condom distribution and events coordination.

- **Prevention Mobilization Meetings**

The complete calendar of 2019 Prevention Mobilization Workgroup meetings was distributed (copy on file). The below updates were reported.

- **Black Initiatives Network (BIN)**

Praveena Saxena

The BIN is planning National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day (NBHAAD) events including Street Reach/Health Reach health fair and condom distribution in Liberty City; “Take the Train, Take the Test” initiative in targeted areas; and a health fair/small business bazaar in Opa Locka featuring art and local resources. Anyone planning an NBHAAD event is asked to contact Ms. Saxena by January 29 to have the event included in the comprehensive FDOH NBHAAD calendar and promoted through the <https://knowyourhivstatus.com/> website.

The first BIN meeting of 2019 is February 4.

- **Hispanic Initiative (Iniciativa Hispana)**

Karen Iglesias

Ms. Iglesias is stepping down as workgroup chair and Vanessa Rojas will be leading the Hispanic Initiative WG going forward.

The workgroup is planning eight events this year. Much of the work of the Hispanic Initiative is done in South Miami-Dade, particularly with farm workers. Any agency wishing to collaborate with the workgroup should contact Ms. Rojas.

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

Jean-Michael Bouciquot

In December, MDCPS partnered with the Urban League of Miami for an event for students which featured HIV testing and education, and guest speakers, including Miami Dolphins football players. About 250 boys participated in the event.

FDOH has approved an additional mobile HIV testing unit which will be available this year to serve William H. Turner Technical Arts High School (Turner Tech).

VIII. New Business

- 2019 Presentation Requests

Sarah Suarez

The Committee has solicited Best Practice presentations for the past two years, and most agencies have presented. This year, the focus on presentations will be more research/data-based. Members were asked what presentation topics would be best to further the work of the committee, and suggested the following:

- Intersectionality and HIV (mental health, intimate partner violence, gender affirmation, stigma, etc.);
- Serving long-term survivors;
- PrEP, including PrEP awareness, retention in PrEP, and treatment outcomes; and
- HIV and Hepatitis C, including linkage to care, covering the high cost of Hep C testing and treatment, rapid testing, and updates on the rise of Hep C incidence.

The cost of testing Hepatitis C is very high. Testing is needed for both HIV-positive and HIV-negative populations. Follow up is needed from FDOH for providers who signed a Memorandum of Agreement with FDOH to administer rapid Hep C tests. Following a positive test, it is the responsibility of the provider to connect the patient to care. Ron Ledain noted that Care Resource offers testing to uninsured clients at a sliding fee scale. Jackson Health Systems offers treatment.

In March, Dr. David Forrest will present, "HIV and HCV infection among PWID in Miami-Dade: Preliminary Data from the NHBS-IDU5 Cycle." Based on the above suggestions, staff will bring a suggested schedule of additional presentations to the committee in March.

- Joint Integrated Plan Review Team (JIPRT) Meeting Preparation

Feedback from previous JIPRT meetings indicates the committees liked the interactive meeting format. With the new design of the Plan, focusing on answering Evaluation Questions with designated Output data, this quarter will be largely reporting data. Ms. Mooss suggested providing a one-page summary of data presented in order to facilitate discussions.

If the agenda turns out to be strictly data presentations, the meeting may be shortened from four to two hours long. Members should block time for a four-hour meeting and staff will advise as soon as possible if the meeting time will be changed. Staff will work with FDOH to design an agenda. Some of the new Output data may not be able to be produced as originally intended. FDOH will report on which Outputs will not be available and members can revisit further updates to the Integrated Plan at their March committee meeting.

IX. Announcements

Staff announced the 2019 meeting schedule and noted that several meetings are at different times, locations, and days of the week based on meeting space availability and holidays. Members are encouraged to enter the dates in their personal calendars and to follow the Partnership on Facebook for meeting reminders.

Staff noted the HOPWA Consolidated Plan hearings flyer (copy on file) was available at the meeting. Members were encouraged to publicize the HOPWA hearings widely; particularly to City of Miami residents.

Alex Barros of Gilead announced Gilead's Best Practices for PrEP Toolkit. The kits are free and available by request. Gilead is working on three case studies and five new curricula regarding PrEP usage, retention, and outcomes.

X. Next Meeting

Mr. Ferrer announced the next meeting is the Joint Integrated Plan Review Team scheduled for February 11 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at United Way Ansin Building in the Ryder Conference Room.

XI. Adjournment

Ms. Kenneally called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Matilde Zayas

Seconded: Barbara Kubilus

Motion: Passed

The meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.