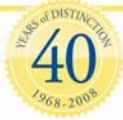




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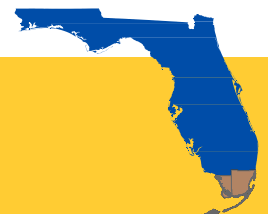


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Under the leadership of a 12-member board of directors, the Health Council of South Florida brings together the public/private sectors and members of Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties' diverse populations. Data generated through the Council's projects provide substantial insight and policy guidance into the variations of need across economic, racial, ethnic and geographic areas within our most vulnerable communities and populations.

Experience in quality strategic planning, relationship building, program evaluation, and objective health research is the Council's greatest strength. A highly specialized team of professionals represent the fields of health information systems, public health, community planning, public administration, community development and health program evaluation.



Miami Matters

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In expanding its role as a key source of data and other informational resources for Miami-Dade County, the HCSF embarked on the establishment of a dynamic, interactive web-based information system that will provide easy to understand health, environmental and other quality of life indicators for Miami-Dade County. This innovative website will also link its visitors to promising practices and resources that encourage and promote informed community action. The site seeks to address the issue of accessibility to data and will serve as a road map for collaborative community improvement by highlighting where we have been, our current status, and directing where we need to go. The site will launch in May 2010 and can be accessed at www.miamidadematters.org.



Miami Dade County Hospital Preparedness Consortium

The Miami-Dade County Hospital Preparedness Consortium (MDCHPC) continues to serve as a leader in advocating for both hospital and County emergency preparation as a critical element for prompt and effective responses to disasters. Through a formal petition to the Florida Department of Health (FDOH), the MDCHPC has successfully secured the allocation of three Centers for Disease Control CHEMPACK containers for Miami-Dade County. The CHEMPACK containers hold chemical antidotes that provide for appropriate distribution of prophylaxis to the population during a large-scale public health emergency, such as a chemical emergency or terrorist attack.



Miami-Dade Health Action Network

The Miami Dade Health Action Network (MD-HAN) continues to provide a platform for the Miami-Dade County safety net to articulate priorities, share best practices, and collaborate in accessing resources. In the upcoming months, the MD-HAN will be establishing a sub-committee focusing on the revitalization of the current Health Navigators/Community Health Worker (CHW) program that resides in Miami-Dade County. The purpose of the committee will be to seek collaboration that can further enhance and expand this CHW program by providing a platform for the exchange of best practices and actions. It will aim to capitalize on past and current CHW program gains and foster enhancement. Additionally, this opportunity will seek to better position the MD-HAN to access possible resources that further these types of programs which help improve access to the underserved.



Florida Association of Free Clinics

The Florida Association of Free Clinics (FAFC) was established in September 2009 with the convening of a group of committed community stakeholders interested in the advancing the FAFC mission and to oversee the function of this emerging organization. FAFC's mission is to provide support, mentoring, networking opportunities and advocacy through a network that initiates collaboration and the sharing of best practices to improve access to health care for the uninsured in the State of Florida. A major objective in the initial design of the FAFC is to provide a platform for the sharing of information and the procurement of resources to improve service delivery. FAFC membership is open to independent, private, not for profit, community based organizations that operate a volunteer-driven health care clinic providing primarily free services to the low-income and uninsured in Florida.

2009 PROJECTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Monroe County Local Coordinating Board for Transportation Disadvantaged

The Health Council of South Florida (HCSF) continues to serve as the Designated Official Planning Agency (DOPA) for the Monroe County Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) program. The state program celebrated 30 years of service in 2009 and continues to provide transportation services for people with disabilities, the elderly, low income individuals and children at risk in Monroe County. The Guidance Clinic of the Middle Keys successfully applied to continue to serve as Monroe County Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) and was re-designated effective January 2010 for five years.

During fiscal year 2008-2009 the Monroe County TD program served 5.33% of the estimated 36,354 potential TD population, accounting for 1,935 persons countywide offering a total of 104,587 trips.



Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade

The HCSF continued to provide technical support to the Consortium for a Healthier Miami-Dade in the areas of strategic and evaluation planning. The Council worked with the Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Workgroup Committee to create an inventory of tobacco prevention and cessation initiatives in the county, and evaluating its progress since its inception in 2008. The Council also worked with the Consortium Executive Committee to amend its strategic plan for 2009 and developed an evaluation plan for Consortium activities and resources.

The Consortium through the Miami-Dade County Health Department successfully submitted an obesity prevention proposal to the CDC for the Communities Putting Prevention to Work grant in November 2009. The Health Council contributed as part of the grant writing team and is responsible for the design and implementation of the evaluation component of the grant.

Source of Unbiased Data for the Community

The HCSF continues to be the provider of data and updates on key health indicators in Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties. In 2009 the Council produced updated renditions of the Miami-Dade and Monroe County profiles. In addition the Council produced chronic disease snapshots on the status and management of diabetes, asthma and hypertension in Miami-Dade County.

Team Miami finalizes participation on HHS Initiative to Improve the Health of Hispanic Elders

Team Miami, along with seven other cities across the nation who are members of the Hispanic Elders Learning Network presented their final reports on March 24, 2010. Team Miami's presentation was given by the Alliance for Aging, Team Miami Leader, who reported on the receipt of a grant in September 2008 from the Health Foundation of South Florida, as part of their Healthy Aging Initiative. The funds were awarded to conduct evidence-based chronic disease self-management, through Team Miami participants: Little Havana Activities & Nutrition Centers and Citrus Health Network. The initial areas in West Miami and Hialeah were identified to be of critical concern, because they have particularly high concentration of at-risk elders and have shown high rates of preventable hospitalizations due to diabetes. Team Miami concluded their participation with this initiative, but they continue to work together to improve the health and wellness of older adults in Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties.

AIDS Insurance Continuation Program



The AIDS Insurance Continuation Program (AICP) preserves the private health insurance of low-income Floridians living with HIV/AIDS who cannot afford to pay their private health insurance premiums. The program was launched as a demonstration project and later expanded as a statewide program in 1994. The program is funded by the State of Florida Department of Health through the Ryan White Program (41%) and State of Florida General Revenue (59%). Administered by the Council, AICP purchased more than \$43 million in private health care services through program outlays of \$9.6 million for 2,437 clients in 2008. Costs per client average \$432 per month compared to \$1,726 per month under the Medicaid Program. Over the past twelve years, AICP obtained nearly \$6 in private medical care goods and services in return for every dollar expended.

Summary of 2008 AICP Program Outcomes

- Private Health Care Services at a Lower Cost
- Avoidance of HIV/AIDS Cost Shifting from Private to Public Sectors
- Continuity of Care and Access to HIV/AIDS Specialists and Comprehensive Medical Care
- Enhanced Quality of Health for Persons Living with HIV/AIDS
- Return of Active AICP Clients to Employment

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Council Partners 2009

Agency for Health Care Administration
 Alliance for Aging, Inc.
 American Health Planning Association
 American Heart Association
 AstraZeneca
 Barry University
 BlueCross BlueShield of Florida
 Broward Regional Health Planning Council
 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
 Florida Association of Health Planning Agencies
 Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged
 Florida Department of Health

- Bureau of HIV/AIDS
- Division of Health Access and Tobacco

 Florida Department of Transportation
 Florida International University
 Florida Keys Area Health Education Centers
 Florida Legislature
 Future Health, Inc.
 Good Health Clinic
 Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce
 Guidance Clinic of the Middle Keys
 Health Foundation of South Florida
 Healthy Communities Institute
 Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade
 Hospice Foundation of America
 Human Services Coalition of Dade County
 Local Hospitals, Nursing Homes, and Other Provider Organizations
 March of Dimes, South Florida Chapter
 Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce
 Miami-Dade Area Health Education Center
 Miami-Dade Community College
 Miami-Dade County Government

- Board of County Commissioners
- Office of Countywide Healthcare Planning
- Office of Emergency Management
- Office of the Mayor

 Miami-Dade County Health Department
 Monroe County Government
 Monroe County Health Department
 Monroe County Local Coordinating Board
 Pfizer, Inc.
 Rural Health Network of Monroe County
 Sanofi-Aventis
 The Children's Trust of Miami-Dade County
 University of Miami
 VITAS Innovative Hospice Care

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2009 Statement of Community Benefit

The Council maintained its excellent reputation for providing crucial health data about the South Florida region, encouraging community dialogue on contemporary health issues, and identifying and developing practical, ethical solutions to emerging health needs. Funds are leveraged through public and private resources inclusive of federal, state and local governments, private foundations and corporate sponsorships.

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