

South FloridaHATS Coalition Action Plan

Updated September 2014

Vision

All youth and young adults in South Florida, including those with Disabilities and special health care needs will successfully transition into adult health care.

Strategies and Action Steps

Strategic Issue 1: Increase education to create more advocates among adult health care providers

Objective 1.1: Increase education to **Adult Medical Care Providers** to expand network of providers accepting referrals and buildup the number of advocates

Activity/Action Step	Responsibility	Resources/Partners Needed	Status to Date
1.1.1 Educate pediatricians about tools, mechanisms, and protocols, along with the need to move information over to adult providers	Medical provider sub-committee	Outreach to local chapter of AAP, Medical residents, Nurse practitioners, CMS staff, FQHC providers Promote Florida HATS provider directory	Subcommittee has identified its leader and has committed to scheduling its first meeting by 10/31/2014.
1.1.2 Suggest that pediatric providers pair up with adult providers / develop relationship with adult providers act as consultants or a resource to new adult providers)	Medical provider sub-committee	Outreach to local chapter of AAP	Subcommittee has identified its leader and has committed to scheduling its first meeting by 10/31/2014.

1.1.3 Talk with Federally qualified Health Care Providers to find ways to help them build capacity and meet their mandate of working with youth and young adults with special health care needs.	Medical provider sub-committee		Subcommittee has identified its leader and has committed to scheduling its first meeting by 10/31/2014.
1.1.4 Look at ways to tie into an existing programs (nursing or other med)	Medical provider sub-committee	FIU Medical School, UM Medical School	Subcommittee has identified its leader and has committed to scheduling its first meeting by 10/31/2014.
1.1.5 Start conversations integrate into health care programs	Medical provider sub-committee	FIU Medical School, UM Medical School	Subcommittee has identified its leader and has committed to scheduling its first meeting by 10/31/2014.

Strategic Issue 2: Increase education to create more advocates among: Youth, Families and Communities

Objective 2.1: Increase education and access to resources to create more advocates among **families and community providers** and to empower families

Activity/Action Step	Responsibility	Resources/Partners Needed	Status to Date
2.1.1 Identify appropriate materials such as electronic resources and training curriculums currently exist.	Community, youth & family subcommittee	Taskforces and community groups working with youth and families with complex health care needs	Subcommittee has identified its leader and has committed to scheduling its first meeting by 10/31/2014.

2.1.2 Identify gaps & determine if resources need to be developed	Community, youth & family subcommittee	groups such as: FMD, SALT, CMS	Subcommittee has identified its leader and has committed to scheduling its first meeting by 10/31/2014.
2.1.3 Schedule face to face trainings and peer led support opportunities for families and youth	Community-Based Education and Advocacy	Patients and families	Subcommittee has identified its leader and has committed to scheduling its first meeting by 10/31/2014.

Background

Following the success of the Health and Transition Services (HATS) taskforces in Jacksonville and Hillsborough, South Florida began to develop a similar taskforce in December 2013. During our first meeting, the group's name became South Florida HATS, an evolution from its original name, Florida HATS Miami Coalition. The South Florida HATS taskforce continued to meet monthly, during 5 consecutive meetings to complete the process.

Together, the Coalition:

- Reviewed data
- Developed a vision
- Identified community themes
- Assessed forces of change
- Identified strategic issues

The PEACH (Popular Empirical Assessment of Community Health) process was used to prioritize the many issues identified and provided focus for the development of the action plan.

Objectives and action steps were then developed by the Coalition to serve as a road map for future action in Miami-Dade and Broward Counties around improving health care transition for youth and young adults with complex medical needs.

The Coalition membership included pediatric and adult medical providers, as well as consumers and family members. Additional representatives from a variety of agencies and disciplines participated in the process, including: Miami-Dade School System, Children's Services Counsel of Broward, Children's Medical Services (CMS), the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities along with other local community agencies.

The plan was completed in June 2014. The plan and the plan's subcommittees were revised in September 2014. Listed below are the workgroups and their respective Coalition leaders

Medical provider sub-committee

Chairs: Jose Rosa-Olivares, MD

Community Education and Advocacy

Co-Chairs: Deborah Chin, Isabel Garcia, Jose Pinto Lisa Friedman-Chavez