

**South Florida HATS
Taskforce Meeting January 8
Minutes**

Present: Sharon Alexander, Unicorn Children's Foundation; Michelle Barone, Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital; Tonya Fox Shaw, Memorial Health Care System; Jose Rosa Olivares, M.D., Miami Children's Hospital; Deborah Chin, UM Center for Autism & Related Disabilities; Lisa Friedman- Chavez, Project 10, Charnelle Berdus-Powers, Special Olympics S. FL; Samantha Gonzolas, Stephanie Brown, M.D. UM; Laura Wilner, M.D., Joe DiMaggio; Jose Pinto, Children's Services Broward; Isabel Garcia, Parent to Parent

- I. Introductions
- II. Report back on discussion and suggestions from Sept mtg
 - a. Group was reminded that the contact list had been sent out in October and was encouraged to continue to reach out to people to increase the size of the taskforce
 - b. Kristen reported back on a presentation provided to the Broward SNAC meeting promoting the taskforce (the SNAC meeting took place on October 2nd)
- III. Review of Action Plan & Report back from subcommittees
 - a. Subcommittee 1 /Goal 1: Increase education to Adult Care Providers
 - i. Dr. Rosa-Olivares Outlined his plan to promote the inclusion of health care transition through AMA and similar associations, in addition to reaching out to Universities to incorporate health care transition into medical school training.

The training materials are available through the HATS website, but need to be distributed and promoted.

Subcommittee 1 is currently a group of 1 person. During the Discussion: Dr. Brown and two of her residents volunteered to assist Dr. Rosa-Olivares. In addition, Michelle Barone and Dr. Rosa Olivares began discussing similarities and differences in the health transition services between the two hospitals.

- ii. Michelle Barone shared the health care transition process at Joe DiMaggio and noted that there is a significant need for Health Care Navigators as well as adult health care providers. An example was shared about a transition that was very well planned for and organized but the young adult still ended up back with the pediatrician due to lack of adult providers available
 - b. Subcommittee 2 / Goal 2 Increase Education and Access to resources to create more advocates among families and community providers
 - i. Deborah Chin reported that the group had met via phone but had felt uncertain as to how to start working towards the goal. To move forward,

the group has decided to start with the resources that are known to be tried and true and begin promoting them. The group also began looking at how to incorporate a slide or two about health care transition into existing trainings that educators and community agencies currently receive.

IV. Technical difficulties

- a. There was a lot of feedback on the conference call line. This made it difficult for people to hear one another. It was decided that the call in line would be disconnected. People who continued to participate remotely received updates via 'chat box' regarding the conversation taking place.
- b. In order to minimize similar challenges in the future the group agreed to locate the live meetings in one location, with the technology to support a mixed media meeting
- c. Remote participants are encouraged to remember to mute their lines when they are not speaking to minimize background noise.

V. Next Steps

- a. Subcommittee 1:
 - i. Will meet with new members
 - ii. Talk with Parent advisory Group to get their feedback on how health care transitions take place and to potentially encourage representation from their group in the taskforce
 - iii. Talk with CMS counterparts in Broward
- b. Subcommittee 2:
 - i. Meet with members to begin to sort through existing resources

VI. NEXT MTG DATE & LOCATION TBD

- a. A doodle will be sent out the week of Jan 19th to determine the date