

Today's MMU: Upcoming PBC Fetal Infant Mortality Review Community Forum

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children grow up
healthy, safe and strong



Monday Morning Update August 22, 2022

News

PBC Fetal Infant Mortality Review Community Forum: Pregnancy and Chronic Disease

Wednesday, August 24
11 a.m.
Virtual

Pregnant women who suffer from chronic diseases, e.g., diabetes, are at increased risk of adverse pregnancy outcomes. A woman's perception of pregnancy risk can affect her pregnancy related decision making and behavior. The forum will address the importance of diabetes education, control and management being essential in helping mitigate the risk. Speakers include Dr. Lesly Desrouleaux, Dr. Merlene Ramnon, and Alice Jaglowski. [Click here](#) to register.

**Prime Time Hosts Engaging
Workshops to Prepare
Afterschool Professionals for**

Habitat for Humanity of Palm Beach County: Neighborhood Revitalization Home Preservation Programs

Do you or someone you know need low-cost home repairs? Habitat for Humanity of Palm Beach County is working throughout Palm Beach County to help lower-income home owners with home repairs. You may be eligible to partner with us to complete your repairs at a reduced cost. Call today at 561.366.2645 or 561.571.5232 to learn more about the Home Preservation Programs.

**Healthy Mothers, Healthy
Babies: Meet Our Outreach
Team**

Apply for the South Florida Fair Scholarship!

The South Florida Fair & Palm Beach County Expositions, Inc. is proud to annually award more than \$55,000 in Scholarships to worthy South Florida students who have exhibited a desire to further their education. The scholarship purpose is to encourage young people, who might not otherwise have an opportunity, to pursue a college education. [Click here](#) to learn more and to apply.

**Volunteer tutors needed for the
Literacy Coalition's Building
Better Readers Program**

the New School Year

As afterschool programs across Palm Beach County prepare for a new year filled with educational experiences, fun activities and healthy snacks, Prime Time Palm Beach County's Quality Improvement Team is bringing it back-to-basics. Quality Advisors Junior Beauzier, Andrea Hurtado and Anita Winkis were joined by Prime Time's Director of Quality Improvement Teal Chance to host a workshop for all three of Kingswood Academy's afterschool locations (Greenacres, Lake Worth and Palm Springs). Throughout the morning, staff learned key ingredients for out-of-school time (OST) success as they discussed their quality goals for the upcoming year while engaging in interactive activities. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Apply for the Betty Bell Scholarship!

Families First is still accepting applications for the Betty Bell Scholarship! This scholarship is awarded to an individual who is currently enrolled in a Masters' of Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy or Counseling program in an accredited university in Florida. The scholarship winner is selected by the Board of Directors and will be given the scholarship at the Annual Children's Day Luncheon which will be held on November 4th of this year. Applications must be received by **Monday, September 12th** by 5 p.m. [Click here](#) to apply.

Have you heard of our Outreach Education program? Made up of five dedicated Outreach Educators, this team works directly in the community - through grassroots events and group presentations - to meet and refer pregnant women to HMHB and other system services that will support them during their pregnancy. The group networks with businesses, health entities, religious organizations and others to build relationships, identify and eliminate any potential barriers to receiving prenatal care and expand outreach efforts. In addition to outreach efforts, this team provides education to the community at large through presentations, distributing printed materials, and most notably - our Small Steps Great Parents Workshops series. [Click here](#) to learn more.

9-8-8 launches as a nationwide mental health crisis and suicide prevention number

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) designated 9-8-8 as a nationwide 3-digit number for mental health crisis and suicide prevention services. The implementation plan approved by the FCC establishes a two-year timeline to make 9-8-8 operational nationwide with calls routing through the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Help our students attain grade level in reading! Tutor 1st, 2nd or 3rd grade students in reading comprehension during school hours. Each volunteer will tutor 2 or 3 students, one-on-one for 30 minutes each, two times per week during the entire school year. Times to be determined by schools but usually in the morning. Volunteers need to be at least 18 years of age. Training is required and provided by the Literacy Coalition. To apply, [click here](#) for the Building Better Readers or call Jeanne Heavilin at 561.767.3366.

August 2022 Benefits Outreach Program with Palm Beach County Food Bank

The Benefits Outreach Program assists individuals and families with applying for federal food assistance benefits (SNAP). Palm Beach County Food Bank is one of only seven organizations in Florida that provide the DCF required federal food relief interview. This interview will be conducted during your meeting with one of our Benefits Specialists, who speak English, Spanish and Creole. [Click here](#) to learn more and to view the Benefits Outreach Calendar for August.



Quick tips for getting your child emotionally ready for going back to school

Getting your child ready to go back to school is about more than buying the right backpack or a new pair of sneakers. You need to prepare your child for the social and emotional adjustments of returning to the classroom, says Carolina Libreros, a Triple P supervisor for the Center for

Learn more!

Events

Securing Our Future Economic Mobility Summit

Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2022

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Palm Beach County Convention Center

650 Okeechobee Blvd,
West Palm Beach

The goal of the summit is to bring systems leaders together in support of our families that are unemployed or underemployed. The summit will consist of a plenary session and eight workshops plus a lunchtime panel discussion. The workshops will provide information about ways organizations involved in the systems pictured below can work collaboratively to help families earn more and move out of poverty. The systems are: housing and homelessness, employment, childcare, education, safety and justice, food and hunger, health, transportation. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

Save the Date: Domestic Violence Awareness Month Opening Ceremony

Monday, Oct. 3

9 a.m.

Palm Beach State College Duncan Theater

4200 S Congress Ave.,
Lake Worth

Save the date for this year's Domestic Violence Awareness Month's Opening Ceremony. This year's theme is Increasing Family Safety Through Abusive Partner Accountability. Luli Ortiz, CBS 12 News, will be our Master of Ceremonies. Lee Giordano, formerly with Men Stopping Violence in Atlanta, GA, is providing the keynote address

United Way of Palm Beach County Mentor Recruitment Event

Thursday, Sept. 1

6 - 7 p.m.

Faimus Wings
317 W Ave A,
Belle Glade

This free event includes food and beverage. Learn from local programs on how you can become a Mentor and help change a life in our community. For more information, [click here](#) or contact our Mentoring Initiative Specialist, Mariota Theodoris at 561.375.6652.

The Arc of Palm Beach County Family Fun Day

Sept. 10

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

4522 S. Congress Ave.,
Palm Springs

The Arc of PBC is having a Community Fun Day for our families, caregivers, clients and the community we serve. We will have fun activities though out the day and would like to provide as many Community Partner tables for our guests to talk with and gather important resources. To learn more, call 561.842.5814.

FAU Research in Action: New Approaches to Combat Alzheimer's Disease

Thursday, Sept. 8

1 - 2 p.m.

Okeeheelee Park
7715 Forest Hill Blvd.,
West Palm Beach

580,000 people aged 65 and older are living with Alzheimer's disease in Florida. By 2025, that number is expected to increase by 24%. Join Gregg Fields, Ph.D., as he discusses new techniques, in collaboration with the Delray Medical Center, to treat and monitor Alzheimer's. His talk will cover the use of Magnetic resonance-guided focused ultrasound (MRgFUS) technology to deliver drugs to the brain, diagnosis using less invasive and less expensive blood-based biomarkers and the use of biomarkers to evaluate the potential effectiveness of therapeutic interventions. [Click here](#) to register.

Aware and Care 5K Run for School & Community Mass Violence Awareness & Prevention

Saturday, Sept. 17,

8 a.m.

Okeeheelee Park
7715 Forest Hill Blvd.,
West Palm Beach

Mass violence is a serious public health threat for our schools and communities. Aware& Care Palm Beach County provides critical information about warning signs and indicators which could signify a person is in crisis and in need of immediate intervention. Join them and other advocates for a 5K Walk and Run to help bring awareness to mass violence and its effects on

titled “Strengthening Communities Through Abusive Partner Intervention.” [Click here](#) to learn more.

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WPBCAT/ABC1 Career Fair

Aug. 22 - 26
9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
801 N. Railroad Ave.,
West Palm Beach

The West palm Beach Center for Arts and Technology and the Associated Builders and Contractors Institute is hosting a career fair and intro course the week of Aug. 22 - 26. Job applicants that receive an offer from an employer would come back for the rest of the week to do the free intro course from Tuesday, Aug. 23 through Friday, Aug. 26. Lunch will be provided. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Florida Department of Health upcoming programs

The Florida Department of Health (FDOH) is hosting the following programs:

- Roar 8-week ongoing mentoring support group: Learn life skills to gain self-employment, unique psychoeducational class component. Call 561.946.8189.
- Sunrise/sunset community yoga: ongoing gentle yoga by the water with Sandy. Sunrise Mondays in Lake Park and Sunset Thursdays on Boynton Beach. Call 561.584.2051.

Trainings

Unicorn Children’s Foundation Hosts Virtual Classes

Unicorn Children's Foundation, a non-profit organization that creates cradle to career pathways for people with developmental differences, offers virtual classes that are inclusive for everyone. Enroll in classes including Author Club (publish your own book), French Club, Job Club, Self Advocacy, Graphic Design, and more! [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

Training: A Paradigm Shift in Honoring Others in Relationship

Tuesday, Aug. 30
10 -a.m. - noon
Zoom

This 2-hour training will review the IMH Competencies related to culture, and will provide an interactive learning experience to explore your own cultural awareness. The training aims to generate a more purposeful, thoughtful, and substantive orientation to co-building and sustaining meaningful relationships with people from different cultural backgrounds within individuals and organizations. [Click here](#) to register.

Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies August Educational Calendar

Throughout August
Virtual

Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies of Palm Beach County is here to support you through pregnancy with educational classes and groups. Register today for upcoming support groups and educational classes for pregnant and new parents like Small Steps, Great Parents classes and Circle of Moms. All are at no cost, but registration is required. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

Additional Resources

[Visit the CSC website](#)
[CSC Employment](#)
[CSC Provider Agency Employment](#)
[Search for Trainings](#)

Do you have information for the MMU?

Email your MMU submission to mmu@cscpbc.org. [Click here](#) to review the MMU Submission Guidelines.

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