

School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC)

Community Meeting Minutes



Florida Department of Health in Seminole County

February 19th, 2026 • 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Hybrid Live at DOH-Auditorium, Sanford and via Microsoft Teams

Purpose: *SHAC's Mission- To facilitate the partnership between our community partners, schools, parents, health & business leaders and promote the implementation of a comprehensive school health approach.*

ATTENDEES: *Patricia Reda, Mirna Chamorro, Ann Lindsey-Mowery, Cara Koller, Britney Brooks, Melanie Santiago, Caryn Hinrichs, Kelly Rogers, Von Nguyen, Kristine Kraus, Terra Miranda, Rosemary Roldan, Karen Clark, Heather Haskett, Ethel Smith, Erica Vazquez, Chantel Reed, Grace Thompson, Lidia Galeas, Megahan Kirkland, Maria Bermudez, Tania Villalon, Kelly Welch, Colleen Gonzalez, Valerie James Leticia De Jesus-Ulate, Gladys Fernando, Felix Hoy, Gigi Rivadeneyra, Kari Brown, Danielle Calapa, Enid Santiago, Keisha Nauth, Alice Gibson, Sebastian Ulate, Taelyn Ramirez, Charles Ensminger, Ethan Johnson, Katie Murphy, Leslie Grubl, Imani Latuf, Dezmond Brinson.*

Topic	Discussion/Speaker	Action Item/Notes
Welcome & Introductions	Sign In/Call to Order Co-Chairs: 'Gigi' Rivadeneyra, School Health & PYD program Manager- Florida Department of Health Seminole County and Danielle Calapa, Medical and Health Services Coordinator- Seminole County Public Schools.	
Review of minutes	<u>Opening & Introductions</u> - Gigi opened welcoming SHAC members by highlighting February as Children's Dental Health month, reminding members of its importance and resources the DOH offers to maintain client's dental health. - SHAC members reviewed last SHAC meeting minutes. - Previous SHAC meeting minutes are posted on DOH Website. <u>Icebreaker</u> - Gigi Introduced Kari Brown, with SCPS Red Apple Dinning Services, who facilitated a team building activity, where members worked with partners to discuss their workplace "rose (something they were proud of), bud (something exciting coming up), and thorn (a challenge or struggle)".	<i>For minute edits please e-mail gloria.rivadeneyra@flhealth.gov</i>

	Kari shared her personal rose thorn and bud and allowed SHAC members to turn to each other to discuss/engage with the icebreaker. Members then shared what they discussed, sharing their accomplishments, projects and struggles within their role.	
Guest Presenters	Family Partnerships of Central Florida Services—Presentation by Ann Lindsey-Mowery, Director of Prevention and Diversion - Ann Lindsey-Mowery introduced herself as a director of prevention and diversion within Family Partnerships of Central Florida, which is a privatized system in Florida branching from DCF. This organization is one of many community-based care agencies all around Florida, which handle child welfare in certain areas. - The Family Partnerships of Central Florida is the biggest community-based agency in Florida, covering Brevard, Seminole, Orange and Osceola County. Their functions include: - Handling cases of child negligence/abuse - Foster/licensed care - Handling court cases pertaining to child welfare - Prevention/diversion programs aimed to prevent families and children from going through the system - Services available for children aged 18-23 which include workshops aimed to enforce these individuals with necessary life skills - Open-door system where no matter the age, you will be cared for and supported - Organized by county, where county level teams (each run by a diversion manager) run the prevention and diversion of their county. These individuals go out in the field to assess families, where they can refer them to different resources based on their individual needs. - There are 2 new programs in Seminole County, both which are evidence-based: - Parenting with Love and Limits, 3-4 month program focusing on kids with behavior issues that are mental health driven or from the DJJ (in-person sessions.) - Parents as Teachers, a program for families with children within the 0-3 age range. This program focuses on home visits for the overall wellbeing of the child by establishing SMART goals and enhancing/highlighting protective factors. - To enroll for any of these services, agencies may refer families, or the family can self-enroll through their website.	<i>For more information about services offered by the Family Partnerships of Central Florida please contact:</i> E-mail: ann.mowery@familypartnerships.org <i>Please visit the official Family Partnerships of Central Florida website at:</i> https://fpocf.org/

	- Ann also mentioned that despite being underfunded, they still can function normally. She also mentioned a bill being considered for approval to provide additional funding for this program. SNAP Fatherhood Program—Presentation by Luis Madrigal, Juvenile Intervention Officer, and Imani Latuf, Juvenile Intervention Officer/SNAP Coach (Seminole County Sheriff's Office) - Luis & Imani introduced themselves as juvenile intervention officers, Imani specifically coaches the SNAP program as well. The SNAP is an evidence based cognitive behavioral and social interaction learning program for children and families. This program aims to address how children manage their emotions and behavior, teaching strategies to stop, think and plan so the youth are armed with the correct skills on how to process and act before acting impulsively. - The SNAP program actively works on improving mental health using a crime prevention model. It is a 13-week program designed to support different risk levels. There are two different SNAP programs: - SNAP under 12 (ages 6-11), focuses on children under 12 with serious behavioral challenges so they can regulate their emotions and effectively problem-solve. - SNAP for Youth, where children aged 12-18 are taught to enhance their emotional regulation, problem solving skills and how to effectively build relationships. - The Fatherhood program is another service offered, where they provide case management for fathers with children who have behavioral issues, and struggle to provide for their family. - For families with time/transportation barriers, SNAP is also offered in school by a facilitator. - The presenters played a video for SHAC members, showcasing a child encountering a relational challenge with another child and how they used the SNAP model to effectively regulate and communicate their emotions, coming to a resolution after following the processes. - The presenters also read a few case scenarios where SHAC members could use some of these strategies to manage and process emotions during challenging situations. The scenario helped SHAC members understand that as adults it is easy to come to resolutions with certain scenarios, but children must be taught these things so they can solve problems just as well.	<i>For any questions on the SNAP program, please contact Imani Latuf:</i> E-mail: ilatuf@seminolesheriff.org Phone: (689) 465-2030 <i>Please visit the Seminole County Sheriff's Office for more information at:</i> https://www.seminolesheriff.org/page.aspx?id=49
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	- Class times are from 6-7:30pm, coordinators engage youth with fun activities and dinner to ensure they attend these classes. SHAC Engagement: Case Study—Presented by Danielle Calapa - Danielle introduced a case study where a child “Maria” is experiencing severe tooth pain, and the different transportation/financial barriers that impeded her from receiving proper care. Danielle explained that although this is not a real story, it is inspired by real frequent events in Seminole County. - SHAC members collaborated and stated different resources Maria and her family may be able to use. - Gigi mentioned collaboration with the DOH and partners such as True Health for effective dental care. Gigi also mentions offering different resources such as nutrition consultations and visits to our food pantry for healthy food options that won’t worsen dental health. - Dr. Johnson mentioned connecting the family to resources for affordable insurance. - Ms. Latasha Scott mentioned the American Muslim Clinic is another resource that can deliver low-cost healthcare to clients.	
Round Robin & Closing Remarks	- Leslie Grubl with the League of Women Voters shared SHAC member announced that Maria Bermudez is presenting a at a League of Women Voter’s event to discuss with individuals the pros and cons of vaccination, and whether they are good for your health. A local pediatrician and sociologist from UCF will also be presenting. The event is open to the public and Leslie encouraged participants to register. The flyer will be sent to SHAC members to spread awareness on this event. The event will be held March 26th at Embassy Suites in Altamonte Springs. - Dr. Ensminger from Rassmussen announced a new school building aimed at educating and licensing more nurses and health science majors, to supply the need of professionals in the field. - Gigi mentioned the School Health Services Plan will be shared via e-mail with SHAC members for review and recommendations. The services plan outlines the statute requirements, and relevant health services offered by our school district, department of health and partners, as well the lead agencies working on each service area. Every 2 years this document is shared with SHAC members for review and feedback. - Keisha Nauth with the DOH-Seminole Epidemiology team shared updates on measles, since new cases have been identified in Florida. No cases have been seen in the central Florida area yet, but Keisha handed out flyers on signs and symptoms of the Measles for awareness. She shared a few facts about measles: - Measles has a long incubation period (7-21 days.)	<i>Flyers shared by members will be sent out in a follow-up email.</i>

	○ Measles are most contagious before rash appears. ○ Signs of measles, before the rash appears include fever, red/watery eyes and cough/runny nose. ○ Measles can stay in a space for up to 2 hours, and anyone exposed to this space within those 2 hours is considered exposed. ○ Specific disinfectants are effective against measles. It's important to check the EPA registration number on disinfectants to see what is effective against the virus. ○ DOH-Seminole Epidemiology team actively educates individuals on measles, what exposure looks like and steps to stay safe. She highlighted that these steps are encouraged and taught, not enforced upon individuals. ○ Chronic illnesses can occur with measles and have a significant impact on your health. ○ Many factors play into why a provider decides on a measles test, such as travel history, vaccination history, and any recent exposures. Commercial testing is also available, but these factors combined are considered when a provider is diagnosing you. ○ Contacts have 3-6 days to initiate prophylaxis if needed, once that window is over it would not have an effect. ○ Duval & Hillsborough County have seen some recent cases of measles. ● Gigi informed SHAC members on informational Saturdays, an initiative aiming to get families with youth/adults with disabilities together to inform them of resources available for them and their children. Services and employment opportunities will also be shared in this event. A flyer will be sent out regarding this event. ● Katie Murphy announced a resilience conference with the Peace and Justice Institute on April 9th & 10th. Scholarships are available, workshops on how art interacts with us neurologically and make a difference in our health. For more information contact Katie. ● Dr. Ethan Johnson mentioned the Veterans Stand down event scheduled for February 28 at DOH-Seminole offering services to veterans in need.	<i>Contact Katie Murphy for more information on the Peace and Justice institute event: katiemurphyfl@gmail.com</i>
Next Meeting(s)	Save the dates for upcoming SHAC meetings: ➤ April 16th, 2026	<i>Please submit suggestions for future SHAC meetings to Gigi at Gloria.Rivadenevra@flhealth.gov</i>
Meeting Adjourned	3:30pm	