

GOOD MORNING EVERYONE!

WELCOME AND THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO BE HERE THIS MORNING.

I WANT TO THANK OUR COUNTY COMMISSIONER DANIELLE LEVINE CAVA FOR JOINING US TODAY AS WE CONTINUE OUR CONVERSATION ON HOW WE CAN COLLECTIVELY WORK TO BRING ABOUT A HEALTHCARE TRANSFORMATION IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY.

I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK MARISEL LOSA AND DR. THAO TRAN WITH THE HEALTH COUNCIL OF SOUTH FLORIDA FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO MAKING THIS A REALITY FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

AS MAYOR OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, THE OVERALL HEALTH OF OUR RESIDENTS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO ME...

ESPECIALLY NOW WE ARE IN A POST AFFORDABLE CARE ACT ERA.

AS WE ALL KNOW, OUR COMMUNITY CONTINUES TO EXPERIENCE HIGH HEALTHCARE COSTS AND A FRAGMENTED DELIVERY SYSTEM THAT EMPHASIZES VOLUME RATHER THAN QUALITY.

AS A MATTER OF FACT, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SECRETARY RECENTLY ANNOUNCED THAT:

30 PERCENT OF PAYMENTS FROM TRADITIONAL MEDICARE BENEFITS WILL BE TIED TO ALTERNATIVE PAYMENT MODELS BY NEXT YEAR.

IN 2018, 50 PERCENT OF THOSE PAYMENTS WILL SHIFT FROM FEE-FOR-SERVICE TO ALTERNATIVE VALUE-BASED PAYMENT MODELS,

AND BY THE YEAR 2020, THAT NUMBER INCREASES TO 75 PERCENT.

THAT'S WHY I STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS INITIATIVE THAT WILL POSITION MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO SERVE AS A PILOT, AND BUILDING BLOCK, TOWARDS IMPLEMENTING A STATEWIDE INNOVATION MODEL IN FLORIDA.

WE ARE THE MOST POPULOUS COUNTY IN THE COUNTRY'S THIRD-LARGEST STATE. IT IS IMPERATIVE WE GET THIS RIGHT.

I BELIEVE THAT THROUGH SHARED LEADERSHIP AND THE ALIGNMENT OF RESOURCES, OUR COMMUNITY CAN LEVERAGE STRENGTHS TO

CREATE ONGOING SUCCESSES WITH MEASURABLE RESULTS.

THAT'S WHY IT IS IMPORTANT THAT TOGETHER WITH THE HEALTH COUNCIL OF SOUTH FLORIDA, AND ALL OF YOU AROUND THIS TABLE, WE CAN COLLECTIVELY WORK TO IMPLEMENT A SYSTEM OF SHARED RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF THOSE WE SERVE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

OUR GOAL IS TO SECURE YOUR COMMITMENT FOR THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE CENTER FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID INNOVATION.

WE ARE ALL WORKING TOWARDS ESTABLISHING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AS A LEADER IN PROMOTING THE HEALTHIEST COMMUNITY IN THE NATION, STIMULATING ECONOMIC VIABILITY AND OVERALL VITALITY.

ONCE AGAIN, I AM PLEASED TO SUPPORT THIS EFFORT WITH THE HEALTH COUNCIL OF SOUTH FLORIDA THAT HAS BEEN WORKING DILIGENTLY WITH LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL

ORGANIZATIONS TO LEAD OUR COMMUNITY
TOWARDS HEALTHCARE INNOVATION.

I THANK YOU ALL FOR WORKING WITH ME, AND
ENCOURAGE YOU TO ENGAGE IN THIS NECESSARY
DIALOGUE TO WORK COLLECTIVELY TOWARD
MAKING THIS SHARED GOAL A REALITY.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL AND MAY GOD CONTINUE
TO BLESS MIAMI-DADE COUNTY!

