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Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse: The Road to Prosecution

District Attorney Mike Ramsey in conjunction with Butte County Adult Services, Butte County Elder Services Coordinating Council, Legal Services of Northern California, PASSAGES Adult Resource Center, and Butte County Public Health are sponsoring their third annual training conference on Elder and Dependent Adult .

This year's conference is being held at Bell Memorial Auditorium on the Chico State Campus on March 15th. The conference draws attendees from all over the North State and from a wide variety of professions. This year's conference, "The Road To Prosecution" will focus on how social services and medical personnel can recognize potential evidence and signs of elder abuse in their clients as well as relevant law, investigative techniques and prosecution charging and sentencing issues. It will also enhance the already established framework for successful collaboration between social services, law enforcement, and prosecution on cases involving these special victims.

Presenters for this year's conference include Senior Assistant Attorney General Mark Zahner who heads up the Bureau of Medi-Cal Fraud and Elder Abuse for the State of California; Lead Deputy District Attorney, Tristan Svare from San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office Family Violence Unit; and Detective Paul Delhauer, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. All presenters are experts in the field of elder and dependent adult abuse.

Those agencies hosting the conference have been working on this project for the past year in order to bring the best possible training to the North State. Each agency hosting this conference has a strong commitment to protecting our elderly and dependent adults. Continuing education credits are being offered for variety of the attendees.

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