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PUBLIC HEALTH WITH PARTNERS4HEALTH TO ASSEMBLE A PARENT SYMPOSIUM

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BUTTE COUNTY, CA – Butte County Tobacco Prevention Coalition members, Center for Nutrition and Activity Promotion representatives, and Butte Youth Now Coalition members, as PARTNERS4HEALTH, united to bring the Kids Living Shorter Lives?! parent symposium to the Chico community. The symposium will provide information about the chains of events that lead to obesity, early alcohol and tobacco use, suicide and cyber bullying and how increasing parental involvement helps to protect children.

Parents will be asked to make a pledge to encourage their children's positive learning habits, healthy eating habits, physical activity, and to live a drug, alcohol and tobacco-free life. Parents committing to providing quiet study time, active play time, and information about the dangers of drugs, alcohol and tobacco can set their child on the path to maximize learning opportunities and lead a healthy, drug, alcohol and tobacco-free life. "A strong commitment to parental involvement can protect children and promote healthy outcomes," explains Raúl Raygoza, Public Health Education Specialist with the Butte County Public Health Department.

The parent symposium will be held at the Enloe Conference Center at 1528 Esplanade in Chico from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm on Saturday, October 27. Dr. S. Alex Stalcup, Medical Director of the New Leaf Treatment Center with over 20 years of clinical experience in the field of addiction, will offer insight into the chains of events and possible solutions to break those chains. Obesity, suicide, alcohol and tobacco use, and cyber bullying, which pose a real danger for children, will also be addressed by representatives from our community. Community resources will be available after the program as well. Parents, teachers, service club representatives, faith community members, and youth-serving organization representatives are encouraged to attend. Pre-registration is encouraged for parents who are bringing their children, but all others do not need to register.

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