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MEDIA ADVISORY

Child Protective Services Commemorates New Practices with Resource Fair

Sacramento County's Child Protective Services (CPS) is making additional progressive changes to its services this fall. One element is called regionalization, in which each worker is assigned to one of four geographic regions in alignment with the largest school districts. These changes will allow workers to be better equipped to make connections with schools and learn the strengths of each community. It will also make it easier for children in foster care to stay within their community and their school, allowing them to maintain these connections at a traumatic time in their lives. Family Reunification Workers and Permanency Services Workers have recently been transferred to the North region headquarters and have begun this new practice. Additionally, another new practice called Vertical Case Management will assign one primary social worker to a child until permanent placement for the child is reached. This promotes continuity for the child and accountability.

To commemorate these changes, CPS is holding a resource fair for partners to highlight the services available to families in the north Sacramento region.

WHEN: Today, Wednesday, December 1, 2010
10 a.m. to 12 noon
Speakers at 11 a.m.

WHERE: Serna Village, 5836 Dudley Blvd.
McClellan, CA 95652

SPEAKERS INCLUDE: Outgoing Sacramento County Board of Supervisor member and
Assembly Member-elect,
(11 a.m.) Roger Dickinson

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Ann Edwards-Buckley

Cottage Housing Incorporated President and CEO,
Robert Tobin

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