#### WINTER 2022/2023

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#### A NEWSLETTER OF THE CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION PROGRAM

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#### Kids Sick with Lead Don't Look Sick

Lead poisoning can harm a child's brain and cause learning and behavior problems that may last a lifetime.

Most children who are poisoned by lead do not look or act sick. Symptoms, if present, may be confused with common childhood complaints, like stomachache, crankiness, loss of appetite or headaches.

You might see these symptoms:

- Nausea · Weight loss
  - Dizziness

- Anemia
- Inability to sleep 
  Headache
- Constipation · Irritability

A blood test is the ONLY way to know the Blood Lead Level (BLL) of your child. Talk to your child's health care provider to see if your child is at risk for lead poisoning.

## REMINDER: School readiness begins with good oral health Medi-Cal members under the age of 21 are covered for two dental check-ups and cleanings a year.

SmileCalifornia.org/School-Readiness

Did you know that healthy teeth and gums help children stay focused and ready for a good school year? Good oral health habits, like regular brushing, flossing and dental check-ups help children succeed in the classroom. Medi-Cal covers two dental check-ups and cleanings a year for members under the age of 21.

## FREE PARENTING SUPPORT

Bridges to School Success-Shasta County Office of Education provides mental health support to children, families and schools when a child is experiencing challenges that disrupt their ability to fully participate in their learning. Bridges staff have created several free online groups to help ease tension and make parenting easier.

Discipline That Works: Wednesdays at 6pm (Zoom Meeting)

**Triple P Group: Positive Parenting Program**, to register for a 6-week parenting group, call (530) 225-0350 or visit shastacoe.org

If you have questions or need more information, please call (530) 225-0350.



#### TURTLE BAY OFFERS 'FIVE & DIME' DISCOUNT DAYS

On the 5th and 10th of every month, admission is \$5 for kids, \$10 for adults and free for kids 3 and under.

Also, First Fridays with First 5 provides children ages 0–5 and their caregivers FREE access to Turtle Bay Exploration Park on the First Friday of every month! Reserve tickets at turtlebay.org and gain access to exhibitions, playgrounds, animal exhibits and more.

Questions? Call (530) 243-8850.



Shasta County Health & Human Services Agency



#### FREE HEALTH EXAMS & IMMUNIZATIONS

Uninsured or no preventive care insurance? The Child Health and Disability Program (CHDP) provides FREE children's health exams and immunizations.

Call to find out if you qualify: (530) 225-5122 or (800) 300-5122.

## FREE MIND-BODY SKILLS

The Shasta Resilience Project was born in 2018 following the devastating Carr Fire. Working with the model developed by Center for Mind Body Medicine for children and teens, the project offers small groups and workshops to heal trauma, manage stress and build resilience.

To register for a free, 8-week rotating small group, call (530) 227-9692 or visit shastaselfcare.org.

## FREE KID'S NIGHT

This free event gives grades K–12 an opportunity to socialize and be physically active. A nutritious dinner is provided. Occurs: Fridays, January 13–March 17, 2023

Time: 5:30-7:30pm

Location: Martin Luther King Jr. Center 1815 Sheridan St. Redding 96001

Online registration required: cityofredding.org/departments/ parks-recreation/mlk-jr-center