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The New Cleveland County Public Health Center Invites You to Celebrate National Public Health Week: April 4-10, 2016

(Shelby, NC)—During the first full week of April each year, the American Public Health Association (APHA) brings together communities across the United States to observe National Public Health Week as a time to recognize the contributions of public health and highlight issues that are important to improving our nation.

In celebration of National Public Health Week, the new **Cleveland County Public Health Center located at 200 South Post Rd, Shelby** is excited to announce several events to take place at its new facility.

On Tuesday, April 5th at 4:00 pm, the Cleveland County Public Health Center will host a Ribbon Cutting/Dedication Celebration. In attendance at this event, among other invitees, will be Speaker of the House Tim Moore to perform the Presentation of Flags and Dr. LaMar Hasbrouck, Executive Director of the National Association of County and City Officials (NACCHO). NACCHO, whose mission is to be a leader, partner, catalyst and voice with local health departments working towards a vision of health, equity, and security for all people in their communities, represents the nation's 2,800 local governmental health departments.

On Thursday, April 7th from 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm, the health center will host the Paul M. Sarazen, Jr. Forum on Child Health Issues. The subject for this year's forum is Today's Tobacco-Free Environment and Lifestyle, covering such topics as electronic nicotine delivery systems and other new and emerging tobacco products and trends among young people. The presenter is Sally Herndon, MPH, Branch Head for the NC Tobacco Prevention and Control Branch. Ms. Herndon has been a leader in North Carolina's public health efforts in tobacco prevention and control since 1991. Included in her work was building support for the 2010 law that makes all NC restaurants and bars

tobacco-free. Her ongoing work involves working with state and local partners to 1) reduce tobacco use by young people; 2) eliminate exposure to secondhand smoke; 3) help all tobacco users who want to quit; and 4) eliminate tobacco-attributable health disparities.

Anyone interested in attending the Paul M. Sarazen, Jr. Forum **must RSVP to 980-484-5112 by no later than Monday, April 4th**. Lunch will be served.

On Sunday, April 10th from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm (drop-in), the public is invited to attend an Open House Celebration for the new Cleveland County Public Health Center. Light refreshments and guided tours of the new facility will be offered.

To learn more about the services offered at the Cleveland County Public Health Center, or for more information about the above mentioned events, please visit www.clevelandcounty.com/cchd or call 980-484-5100.

For more information about National Public Health Week and how you can get involved, please visit www.nphw.org.

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