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**Prevention and Early Detection of Oral and Pharyngeal Cancer Training
FREE Oral Cancer Screening**

Bay County – The Bay County Health Department invites area health care providers to attend the upcoming training, *The Forgotten Disease, Prevention and Early Detection of Oral and Pharyngeal Cancer*, to be held at Gulf Coast Community College in the Student Union Conference Center on Friday, April 30, 2010, from 9:00am until 1:00pm. Continuing Education Units (CEU) will be offered at no charge to those participating in the training.

Doug Kent, the new Administrator of the Bay County Health Department, will be sharing his vision for a new dental clinic and the benefits it will bring to Bay County. Rick Bender, a professional motivational speaker will be presenting his program "Giving People Something else to Chew-on!"

Leslie Boline Gilchrist, RDH, TTS, an Oral Health Specialist at Big Bend and West Florida Area Health Education Center, will be speaking about new technologies and risk factors associated with oral cancer. Brigitta Nuccio, MPAS, CTTS, PA-C who is also with Big Bend Area Health Education Center, will discuss the newest tobacco trends and smoking cessation. She also published a book last year entitled "Quit Smoking Success".

Peggy Caldwell, Tobacco Prevention Specialist at the Bay County Health Department will be speaking about local tobacco prevention efforts and tobacco cessation programs.

A Free Oral Cancer Screening will be offered to the public at Gulf Coast Community College Student Union East after the training. This is free and open to the public.

For more information or to register for the training please contact the Bay County Health Department at or call 872-4455 ext. 1136. For more information visit www.baycountyhealth.org

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