Healthy Start Community Action Network

The Family Road Healthy Start Program Community Action Network (CAN) will host an "Event In A Box" Community Resource Fair at the Jewel J. Newman Community Center, 2013 Central Road, on Saturday, October 6, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

This event will provide a special opportunity for the North Baton Rouge community members to interact with resource service providers from multiple areas. Informational booths will be set up throughout the venue for the public to visit with and gain benefits of having face-to-face meetings with community service representatives.

The Healthy Start Community Action Networks (CAN) focus has been on communities within East Baton Rouge Parish that are unfortunately underserved and lack some of the resources that are within proximity to the Mid-City/downtown areas of the city. We are keenly aware that there are many barriers families face on a day-to-day basis and that there are struggles for many to overcome. This event has been designed to assist consumers and address accessibility of tangible services that can provide better opportunities geared towards total family wellness.

There will be resource providers and vendors from the areas of health and wellness screenings, career services and job readiness, education and advanced educational services, home and community safety, family and support informational services. We will also provide activities and learning opportunities for children and youth.

We are excited to have the support of East Baton Rouge Parish **District 2 Metro Councilwoman Chauna Banks** and the **Jewel J. Newman Community Center**. "Thank you for lending a collaborative spirit of support in allowing us to bring this event to the community of North Baton Rouge."

The Family Road Healthy Start - Community Action Network (CAN) is a coalition of organizations and individuals representing consumers, agencies at the state, local and government levels, public and private providers, non-profit, churches, local civic/community action groups and local businesses. The coalition was organized to collectively apply resources and strategies that will improve healthcare and health education for our most vulnerable. The Community Action Network stands firm in commitment to maternal and child health populations with a focus on reduction of infant mortality, racial disparities and low-birthweight infants, while continuing to support the overall wellness of our community members from the youngest to eldest.

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