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### **PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD ANNOUNCES 2016 “COMMUNITY HEALTH AWARDS” WINNERS**

SHASTA COUNTY - For the past 13 years, the Shasta County Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB) has recognized community members who have improved the public’s health through prevention. Continuing in this great tradition, PHAB and community members gathered today at the Redding Holiday Inn to recognize this year’s distinguished winners.

Focusing primarily on the prevention of community health problems, winners were selected based on their success in meeting the following criteria:

- Emphasis on **prevention**
- Ability to build on new or existing **collaborations**
- Ability to mobilize the **community**
- Success in **leveraging** community assets

This year’s winners are:

- **Safe Medicine Disposal Kiosk Program**
- **“We Are Wellness” – Shasta Community Health Center’s worksite wellness program**
- **Whiskeytown National Recreation Area**

\*Go to [www.shastahhsa.net](http://www.shastahhsa.net) for a link to short videos spotlighting the winners.\*

Keynote speaker was Director and State Public Health Officer Dr. Karen Smith, California Department of Public Health (CDPH).

Appointed by the Board of Supervisors, the Public Health Advisory Board advises and assists Public Health in its efforts to improve the health of the community. This encompasses a variety of activities, including acting as Public Health ambassadors in the community, looking at strengths and gaps in the local community health system, recommending policies that improve local health outcomes and providing recommendations on Public Health's strategies, goals and annual budget. For more information go to [www.shastahhsa.net](http://www.shastahhsa.net).

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