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Yolo County Child Advocacy Center Director Goes to Washington, DC

(Woodland, CA) Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced today that Cameron Handley, Program Director of the Yolo County Child Advocacy Center, was selected to join a team of Delegates in Washington DC during the week of June 1, 2009.

Ms. Handley is representing California Child Advocacy Centers, often called Multi-Disciplinary Interview Centers (MDIC). She will be discussing the importance of these programs with members of Congress. Ms. Handley will be participating in presentations to House of Representative's Speaker Nancy Pelosi's office as well as to Senators Barbara Boxer, Dianne Feinstein, and Representative, Mike Thompson's offices.

Yolo County's MDIC is well respected in California and was designed in accordance with the national "best practices" model for Child Advocacy Centers set forth by the National Children's Alliance and utilized across the United States. In addition to aiding in the successful prosecution of child sexual assault cases by streamlining investigations and assigning dedicated specialized personnel to the MDIC Team, the MDIC also provides comprehensive support services to victims and families. The Yolo County MDIC serves approximately 150 child victims and their families each year.

Ms. Handley was selected for this trip by the Board of Directors of the California Network of Child Advocacy Centers, which is comprised of the 34 centers in California. Ms. Handley will be participating in the National Children's Alliance Leadership Conference in conjunction with her work on Capitol Hill.

Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig oversees the MDIC program. Reisig stated, "We are honored to be participating in this endeavor and proud of the work we are doing for child victims in Yolo County. The District Attorney, Yolo County, and our child victims and their families are fortunate to have Ms. Handley at the helm of this great program."

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