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SCPHD Offering "Bridging the Gap" Dinner for Parents

Burley, ID - South Central Public Health District, in conjunction with the Idaho Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program, is pleased to announce that a dinner and discussion entitled: "Bridging the Gap: A Guide for Healthy Family Communication" will be conducted in Burley at the Burley Inn & Convention Center. The goal of "Bridging the Gap" is to help parents learn how to talk to their kids about sex. The take-home message is that communication is the key, and it's up to parents to start the dialogue. "Bridging the Gap" involves local teens who want to make a difference among their peers by addressing the most pressing and least addressed safety topic for youth in the community: early and unprotected sex.

Parents of middle school and high school youth and others in the community are invited to attend this **free** dinner and discussion. With the guidance of trained facilitators, local youth will present a slideshow, pertinent video excerpts and role-plays that model honest dialogue between teens and parents. Each of these activities helps to enable parents to then go home and begin or continue meaningful communication with their own teens about sex.

The "Bridging the Gap" dinner and discussion will take place on Thursday, April 20, at 6:30 p.m. at The Burley Inn & Convention Center, located at 800 N. Overland Ave. Those wishing to attend must RSVP by Monday, April 17. Space is limited.

To reserve your seat or for more information please call Adria Masoner at 208-678-8221.

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