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PARENT AND CHILD CENTER AT BRISTOL HOSPITAL KICKS OFF ANNUAL BLUE RIBBON CAMPAIGN

Bristol, CT (3/30/10) - April is National Child Abuse Prevention month, and the Parent & Child Center at Bristol Hospital is conducting its annual **Blue Ribbon Campaign** for the Prevention of Child Abuse. The Blue Ribbon Committee Chairman, Michelle Kalanquin, Assistant Vice President of Valley Bank and her committee, Mary Ellen Levesque, Jerry Pagano, Ann Burch, Linda Grey, Jane Stanke, Tanya Ledesma, Dr. Amy Breakstone, Rebecca Tuttle, Beverly Foote and Jamie Fournier are working to raise \$10,000 to fight Child Abuse in the Bristol Community and beyond!

This year's campaign will support the Parents Raising Kids Program as well as the Maternal/Child Health Initiative (MCHI), which offers positive parenting education and support to underserved and expectant families.

You may support the campaign in many ways. Donation canisters are at CCOG in Southington, Bristol Hospital Medical Office Building, HomeCare of Bristol Hospital, Bristol Hospital Wellness Center, Applewood Restaurant, Bristol Exchange Club, The SuperNatural, Quinoco Oil, Bristol Community Organization, and Highland Park Market in Farmington or by contacting the Bristol Hospital Development Foundation at 860-585-3908.

The Parent & Child Center at Bristol Hospital in partnership with the Connecticut District Exchange Clubs is committed to preventing child abuse by helping Connecticut parents and caregivers break the cycle of child abuse through positive parenting education, home visiting support, intervention and mentoring.