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3 ANDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS WIN IMMUNIZATION POSTER CONTEST

REDDING – Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC) recently teamed up with Anderson Middle School in Anderson to highlight the importance of immunizations for children ages 9-13. Included in that effort was a PHC-sponsored poster contest, and the winners were announced today at a school assembly.

Sandra McMasters from PHC’s Quality Improvement team visited the school in March to educate Anderson Middle School sixth-graders about vaccines, and teachers followed up with additional

lessons. PHC’s goal is to increase immunization rates for all three recommended adolescent immunizations – Tdap, Meningococcal, and HPV – among Anderson students entering seventh grade in the 2018-19 school year.



“The students were engaged and eager to learn,” McMasters said. “And the posters they created show they understand the importance of immunizations. Plus, they’re really talented artists.”

Students were given the opportunity to enter the poster contest to highlight their research on preventable communicable diseases. Fifty-nine sixth-graders submitted entries. Students, teachers, administrators, and parents voted for their favorite poster at the school’s open house. The winners were:

- Jordyn Hennings, first place, for a poster titled “Vaccinations 2K18”
- Kendra Adams, second place for a poster titled “Help Protect the World”
- Hannah Scotti, third place, for a poster titled “Don’t Lose to a Game of Sickness”

The winners received gift cards to Dick's Sporting Goods. All three posters will be displayed throughout Shasta County in health centers, community centers, schools, and the county immunization clinic office.

About Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC)

PHC is a nonprofit organization that contracts with the state to administer Medi-Cal benefits. PHC provides health care to over 560,000 Medi-Cal members in 14 counties – Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mendocino, Modoc, Napa, Shasta, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Trinity, and Yolo.

