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Champaign-Urbana Public Health District Award Winning Dentists to Volunteer at Give Kids a Smile Dental Fair

*Champaign-Urbana Public Health District “Healthy Smiles” Dentists to
Offer Free Children’s Dental Screenings and Toothbrushes from 2:00pm –
4:00pm in the Marketplace Mall*

Champaign, IL – The Champaign-Urbana Public Health District (CUPHD) will be participating in the 6th Annual Give Kids a Smile Oral Health Fair on Saturday, February 2, 2008 at the Marketplace Mall. Dr. James Wahl and Dr. Yu-hsien Mandy Huang, recent recipients of the State of Illinois “Healthy Smiles” Award, will be volunteering from 2:00pm – 4:00pm to assist with free children’s dental screenings.

The simple 5 minute screening will be available for all children ages 3-18 that are still enrolled in school. This screening can be used to satisfy the State of Illinois mandated exam, due by May 15, 2008, required for all children in grades Kindergarten, 2nd and 6th. Children identified with dental issues will be referred to local volunteer dentists, CUPHD Dental Division, other partnering agencies, or their personal dentist for appropriate treatment. All participating children will receive a free toothbrush courtesy of IFLOSS and CUPHD. Appointments are not necessary; however, a parent or legal guardian must accompany their child.

“Oral health is a good indicator of a child’s overall health,” said Alicia Ekhoﬀ, Dental Program Coordinator for CUPHD. “Many diseases and deficiencies can be readily identified through a routine oral health screening. Simple daily attention to oral health will produce a healthy body as well as a healthy smile!”

The Champaign-Urbana Public Health District’s Dental Division offers preventative and

restorative procedures and simple extractions at their new location at 201 West Kenyon Road in Champaign. Appointments are available Monday thru Friday; 8:00am – 4:00pm by calling 217-531-4279. Children enrolled in the Urbana School District may also be seen at the Urbana School Health Center located in the Urbana High School. Appointments are available Monday thru Friday; 8:00am – 4:00pm by calling 217-239-4220.

Give Kids a Smile is sponsored by the Illini District Dental Society (IDDS) and the Central Illinois Dental Education and Services (CIDES).

For more information on Give Kids a Smile Dental Fair or any CUPHD dental clinics or programs please contact CUPHD at (217) 352-7961 or visit CUPHD on the web at www.cuphd.org.

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