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UCP Suffolk Health Center Hosts First Health Fair

Hauppauge, NY -- There was a wonderful turn out for the first Health Fair hosted by United Cerebral Palsy Association of Suffolk, Inc. (UCP) at its Health Center, in Central Islip. UCP program participants, family members and staff from throughout the agency attended. All were offered an opportunity to meet with different professionals to discuss various options for dealing with movement control, mobility issues and communications devices.

The knowledgeable, caring UCP professionals happily met with visitors to answer questions, host free lectures and provide information on health related topics, such as; dental hygiene, women's health, therapeutic treatments and diabetes. There were ongoing tours of the fully accessible, comprehensive medical facility specifically designed to accommodate persons with disabilities. Highlights of the center include; a rehabilitation gymnasium, complete with adapted technology, a state-of-the-art audiology booth, adjustable medical and dental exam tables, fiber optic dental equipment, and much, much more.

"I'm glad I got to come to the Health Fair," said Margie Alvarado - Adult Day Program participant, "I was really impressed with the new Health Center. It's very convenient and very accessible for people with disabilities." She continued, "The nurses and staff are great. They took the time to talk to me, answered all of my questions and taught me things I can do to take better care of myself."

Maria Golden – Adult Day Program Participant was thrilled to learn that all of her medical needs can be addressed under one-roof. She appreciated the team approach to Health Care practiced at the Center. She remarked, "At the Health Fair I found out that I don't have to go all over Long Island to get blood work done, or visit other doctors. The UCP Health Center offers all of those things in the same building with doctors and professionals who work together to take care of me. I especially loved the new Audiology area, where there was plenty of room for my wheelchair."

According to Janet Alvarez – Associate Director of the Health Center, "The staff and I were thrilled with the turnout. We were pleased to welcome so many visitors, and everyone enjoyed the opportunity to showcase the new health center and provide information about the wide variety of medical services offered here." Adding, "I look forward to hosting more successful educational events in the future."

For more information, or to schedule an appointment please call 631-439-4300.

About United Cerebral Palsy: UCP Suffolk, based in Hauppauge, NY, provides services to 4,000 children and adults with a wide variety of disabilities annually, sixty five percent of whom have a disability other than cerebral palsy. UCP operates a comprehensive, fully accessible Health Center. For information, visit www.ucp-suffolk.org or call 631-232-0011.

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