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Stanislaus County Health Services Agency (HSA) Keep Baby Safe (KBS) Program will conduct a **free** child safety seat inspection event from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on *Saturday, April 30, 2016*. The safety inspections will be held in the Walmart Supercenter parking lot located at 1030 Sperry Road, Patterson CA 95363. Trained car seat technicians will be on site to assist the public in making sure children are riding in an appropriate car seat for their age, weight and height.

This event will provide parents and caregivers the opportunity to learn how to install and use child safety seats correctly. Approximately 70 percent of all children are not properly secured in a child restraint seat. Properly securing a child in a child safety seat significantly reduces the risk of him or her suffering serious injuries or death.

The car seat inspection event is being conducted as part of a grant provided by the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and granted to the HSA KBS Program with the collaboration of ten Family Resource Centers (FRC) in the County: (North Modesto/Salida FRC, Oakdale FRC, Sierra Vista Drop-In Center, Parent Resource Center (Modesto and Airport), Patterson FRC, Newman FRC, Ceres Partnership for Healthy Children, Hughson FRC and Turlock FRC).

Anyone unable to attend or who would like more car seat safety information may contact Stanislaus County Health Services Agency Keep Baby Safe Program at (209) 558-7400.