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### **FREE DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENINGS**

The Boys & Girls Club of Laguna Beach is hosting a free developmental screening for all children ages 0 – 5 who reside in Orange County. This screening is organized and conducted by Family Support Network who has held these screenings at the Club for the past 5 years. This is an excellent opportunity for families to receive a comprehensive screening to see how their child is progressing cognitively, developmentally and socially. Each screening is staffed by highly qualified early intervention specialists in the following areas: Audiology, Dental Care, Emotional Health, Fine Motor, Gross Motor, Health, Speech and Language and Vision.

“This is one of the most important events we offer families in our community,” states Terry Anne Barman, Director of Early Childhood and Family Services at the Boys & Girls Club of Laguna Beach. “Early detection and intervention for development delays are essential school readiness components for children. Family Support Network and their team of specialists are the best. This year we hope to see an increase in the number of families taking advantage of this important opportunity for their children.”

This year the screening will be held on October 14<sup>th</sup> from 9 – 11 a.m. at the Boys & Girls Club of Laguna Beach. Children are screened on a first come, first serve basis. Due to high demand, early arrival is recommended. If capacity is reached, a child will be placed on a wait list, and a schedule of upcoming Developmental Screening dates will be given.

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