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**Public invited to join tobacco-free partnership**  
- Meetings open to all -

PENSACOLA – The Healthy Environments are Tobacco Free (HEAT) Partnership is looking for new members and inviting the interested public to their next quarterly meeting. We encourage participation from hospital representatives, private companies, college and high school students, non-profit organizations, community leaders and local citizens. Our primary goal is to work together to reduce tobacco use, reduce Escambia's youth initiation rate, and to protect all residents from second-hand smoke exposure. Meetings address current tobacco issues in Escambia County and upcoming events that promote the partnership's objectives. The Escambia County Health Department's Tobacco Prevention and Control Program serves as staff to the partnership in helping to guide tobacco prevention and control issues and relevant initiatives.

The next meeting will be held on:

**Tuesday, May 04, 2010**  
**3:30 – 4:30 p.m. (CDT)**  
**Escambia County Health Department**  
**1295 W. Fairfield Dr., Pensacola**

For more information about joining the partnership or attending an upcoming meeting, please contact the Escambia County Tobacco Prevention Coordinator Vanessa Phillips at (850) 595-6072.

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