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**Medical Residents Now Serving Butte County Through Healthy Rural California
Family Medicine and Psychiatry Residency Programs Advance Rural Healthcare in the
North State**

CHICO, CA – Healthy Rural California is proud to announce that medical residents are now actively serving in **Butte County**, marking a significant milestone in the effort to expand access to care across rural Northern California. This progress reflects the continued growth of two residency programs—**Family Medicine** and **Community Psychiatry**—strategically designed to train and retain physicians in the region.

In partnership with **Enloe Health**, the **Family Medicine Residency Program** officially launched this summer. Residents are now providing full-spectrum primary care in both outpatient and hospital settings—meeting a critical need for local healthcare services.

The **Community Psychiatry Residency Program**, developed in collaboration with **Butte County Behavioral Health**, also enters a new phase. While the program welcomed its first class in 2024, residents spent their **first year of training (PGY-1)** in **Sacramento** through a partnership with **UC Davis**. They are now entering their **second year (PGY-2)** and have officially transitioned to **Butte County**, where they will complete the remainder of their training.

Both programs are fully accredited and grounded in Healthy Rural California's mission: to build a sustainable, community-based healthcare workforce that serves the distinct needs of rural and underserved populations. By training physicians within the communities they are intended to serve, Healthy Rural California increases the likelihood that they will remain in the region long after their residency ends.

With medical residents now delivering care locally, Healthy Rural California invites healthcare providers, community partners, and residents to join in welcoming these future physicians and supporting their journey toward long-term service in the North State.

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