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Press Release

On Monday, February 13, 2012 running from 4:00pm to 5:30pm, there will be an informative presentation open to the public at the Keystone Theatre of Towanda, Pennsylvania on synthetic drug abuse, including the impact and dangers of bath salts on the community. Synthetic drugs to be discussed include:

- herbal incense (synthetic marijuana or "K2"): known to cause hallucinations, seizures, panic attacks, short-term memory loss, increased blood pressure and heart rate, and death. U.S. poison control center calls for herbal incense more than doubled in the last two years.
- bath salts: known to cause psychosis, suicidal behavior, insomnia, chest pain, heart attack, stroke, delirium and death. Calls regarding bath salts to U.S. poison control centers have increased over tenfold over the last two years.

The Bradford County Human Services and Bradford-Sullivan County Drug and Alcohol Single County Authority have invited Pyramid Healthcare Inc. and Pennsylvania State Police to speak at this event.