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From left is Barbara Garbarino, project coordinator for the Putnam County CRC; Barbara Iardi, Putnam County Department of Health; Jen Smith, Save the Children; David Abramson, NYU and RCRC National Leadership Board; Jonathan Sury, National Center for Disaster Preparedness at Columbia University; and Jeff Schlegelmilch, National Center for Disaster Preparedness at Columbia University.

The first Symposium on Community Resilience was held at the Putnam County Golf Course on Tuesday, October 24. Dozens of child-serving institutions attended to learn how to improve ways to help children cope before, during and after a disaster. The event, organized by the county's Community Resilience Coalition (CRC), featured a keynote address by David Abramson, PhD, from the NYU Global Institute for Public Health Program on Population Impact Recovery and Resilience, and a panel presentation by four speakers with first-hand experience from Hurricane Sandy. Putnam County is one of two communities in the United States selected to participate in the Resilient Children/Resilient Communities (RCRC) Initiative, led by the National Center for Disaster Preparedness at Columbia University's Earth Institute and Save the Children. For more information about the Putnam County CRC, visit:

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