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PATRICK HOUSE TO SPEAK AT MSH EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR PROGRAM

WHITFIELD— Mississippi State Hospital is pleased to announce that Patrick House will be the guest speaker at the 2011 Employee of the Year program, to be held at 2 p.m. on February 3 in the Dr. Albert Randel Hendrix Treatment Center on the MSH campus.

House is a Brandon native who graduated from Brandon High School and went on to play football for Delta State University. He became nationally-known for competing on the 10th season of The Biggest Loser, the NBC show that challenges overweight contestants to see who can lose the biggest percentage of their body weight during the course of the season. Patrick won the contest after losing 181 pounds, or 45.3 percent of the 400 pounds he weighed at the beginning of the season.

An annual program at Mississippi State Hospital, the Employee of the Year event not only announces the selection of three employees who will receive the top honors at the hospital, but it recognizes all of the Employees of the Month who have been honored throughout the year. Each month, the Employee Recognition Committee selects three employees per month from the three hospital divisions (Licensed Clinical, Direct Care and Support Services). At the end of the year, the committee votes for one Employee of the Year in each category.

MSH, a facility of the Mississippi Department of Mental Health, was founded in 1855 and facilitates improvement in the quality of life for Mississippians who are in need of mental health, chemical dependency or nursing home services, by rehabilitating to the least restrictive environment, utilizing a range of psychiatric and medical services, which reflect the accepted standard of care and are in compliance with statutory and regulatory guidelines. The hospital is accredited by the Joint Commission.

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