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## EMPLOYEES HONORED FOR SERVICE AT MISSISSIPPI STATE HOSPITAL

WHITFIELD—Mississippi State Hospital (MSH) recently honored employees with May anniversary dates for their years of service to the hospital. Service Awards are given to employees in the month of their date of hire, beginning with one year, followed by every fifth anniversary year. Employees receive a Certificate of Appreciation and a Service Award Pin. The program is sponsored by Friends of Mississippi State Hospital, Inc.

Mississippi State Hospital May service award recipients include: (first row, l to r) Lorraine Byrd of Vicksburg, one year; Valentina Beard of Brandon, five years; Stephanie Johnson of Jackson, one year; Deborah Bland of Jackson, five years; Rayindar Bolds of Pearl, one year; Linda McLaurin of Brandon, 20 years; Annie McAfee of Brandon, 35 years; (second row, l to r) Nasosha Mcafee of Brandon, one year; Lorita Armstrong of Tupelo, one year; Danielle Eubanks of Jackson, one year; Thomas Symon of Brandon, one year; Patricia Tolliver of Jackson, one year; Linda Singleton of Morton, five years; Jenette Thomas of Canton, 25 years; Steven Fuller of Bolton, 10 years; Earnest Myers of Brandon, 30 years; Kenneth Dixon of Jackson, 25 Years; and David Brantley of Pearl, one year.

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. MSH is accredited by the Joint Commission.

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