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HODGE NAMED EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH AT MISSISSIPPI STATE HOSPITAL

WHITFIELD— Ronald Hodge of Jackson has been named Mississippi State Hospital's (MSH) March Employee of the Month for Direct Care Service.

Hodge, a native of Flowood, Miss., is a vocational training instructor at Opportunity House, a part of the hospital's Community Services Division. He has been employed at the hospital for six years, and is a veteran of the United States Air Force

The MSH Employee of the Month award recognizes employees who have made outstanding contributions to the hospital through their work. The program is sponsored by Friends of Mississippi State Hospital Inc.

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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PHOTO ATTACHED: Ronald Hodge