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## **MSH EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED AT CERTIFIED PUBLIC MANAGER GRADUATION**

WHITFIELD—Two Mississippi State Hospital employees were recently honored during the Mississippi Certified Public Manager graduation held at the Old Capitol on June 22.

Dr. Lydia Weisser completed the Certified Public Manager Program and Lee Varner received a Certificate in Supervisory Management. The Mississippi Certified Public Manager Program, which is administered by the Mississippi State Personnel Board, is a nationally recognized leadership development program for public managers and supervisors.

Dr. Weisser is the Director of Clinical Services at Mississippi State Hospital and Varner is an administrator at Jaquith Nursing Home, located on the MSH campus. Pictured are (l to r) Diana Mikula, Director of the Bureau of Mental Health for the Mississippi Department of Mental Health; Lee Varner; Dr. Lydia Weisser; and James G. Chastain, Director of Mississippi State Hospital.

*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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