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## **EMPLOYEES HONORED FOR SERVICE AT MISSISSIPPI STATE HOSPITAL**

WHITFIELD—Mississippi State Hospital (MSH) recently honored employees with March 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 five years and every fifth year following. Employees receive a Certificate of Appreciation and a Service Award Pin. The program is sponsored by Friends of Mississippi State Hospital.

Mississippi State Hospital March service award recipients include: (first row, left to right) Diva Coleman, 5 years; Julienna Dixon, 5 years; Tekola Williams, 5 years; Connie Pace, 5 years; Jim Dedeaux, 20 years; (second row, l to r) Mark Kangar, 15 years; Marie Robinson, 20 years; Candice Larkin, 15 years; Paula Kleeb, 10 years; Charlotte Steele, 5 years.

*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. Accredited by the Joint Commission, MSH is the largest hospital in Mississippi and the largest public psychiatric facility in the United States.*

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**Attached: March Mississippi State Hospital Service Award Recipients**