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AMORY RESIDENTS NOMINATED FOR NURSING AWARDS

TUPELO, Miss.— Several area residents are nominees for North Mississippi Medical Center's Excellence in Nursing Awards. The awards ceremony will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 16, at the BancorpSouth Conference Center, Hilton Garden Inn in Tupelo.

Doris Mitchell, CLPN, of Amory is nominated for the CLPN/LPN Excellence Award. Mitchell works as a certified licensed practical nurse in the resource pool at NMMC, where she has been employed for more than nine years. Mitchell attended Itawamba Community College Tupelo campus and received her certification through a program offered at NMMC. She is currently working toward becoming an RN through a home study program offered by Excelsior College in New York.

Mitchell and her late husband, Charles, have three children – Jinny Minor, Anita Cheney and Courtney Gafford. She has five grandchildren – Caitlyn and Anthony Minor, Jonathan Cheney, and Ethan and Evie Gafford. She is a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Becker.

Joyce Armstrong, CNA, of Amory is nominated for the Nursing Assistant Excellence Award. Armstrong works in the Critical Care Unit, where she has been employed for eight years. She received her CNA certification at ICC in 2002.

She and her husband, Larry, have two children – Angela Nash and Stephen Armstrong. They have two grandchildren – Carleigh and Chandler Armstrong.

Gail Smith of Amory is nominated for the Nurse Technician Excellence Award. Smith works as a nurse technician on 1 West in the Rehabilitation Institute, where she has worked for nine years. She is a certified nurse assistant and restorative technologist. She has three sons – Reggie, Alex and Kirby, and six grandchildren – Jaden, Isaac, Olivia, Tayshaun, Alexis and Isaiah. She attends St. Paul Baptist Church.

Kayla Angle of Hamilton is nominated for the Nurse Rookie Excellence Award. An NMMC employee for less than one year, she works at NMMC Women's Hospital. Angle earned an associate's degree in nursing from Itawamba Community College in 2009. She is the daughter of J.P. and Janet Angle and is a member of Hamilton Presbyterian Church.

The NMMC Excellence in Nursing Awards recognize and reward members of the NMMC nursing staff who exemplify standards of excellence.