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### **PONTOTC RESIDENTS NOMINATED FOR NURSING AWARDS**

TUPELO, Miss.— Three Pontotoc 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.

Angela Garmon, CNA, is nominated for the Nursing Assistant Excellence Award. Garmon serves as a certified nursing assistant on 5 East, where she has worked for more than two years. She is married to Willie Garmon and has two sons – Varese and Vadrian Freeman.

Jennifer Caldwell, RN, is nominated for the Excellence in Education Award. Caldwell works as a clinical educator in Labor and Delivery at the NMMC Women's Hospital. She started work at NMMC as a staff nurse in Labor and Delivery in April 2001, and became an educator in October 2007. She received her bachelor's degree in nursing from Mississippi University for Women, and is certified in inpatient obstetrics. She teaches public CPR classes and coordinates the Algoma Easter Parade each year.

Caldwell and her husband Tommy have two children – 6-year-old Claire and 4-year-old Maggie. The family attends Algoma Baptist Church, where Caldwell is a member of the hostess committee and the youth committee.

Virginia Steward, CNA, is nominated for the Nursing Assistant Excellence Award. Steward is a nursing assistant on 6 South, where she has been employed for more than nine years.

Steward and her late husband, Max Steward, have two children – Shana and Evan. She is a member of Carey Springs Baptist Church.

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

For more information on the awards ceremony, call 1-800-THE DESK (1-800-843-3375).