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**MELISSA HAMILTON NAMED NMMC'S  
OCTOBER EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

TUPELO, Miss.—Melissa Hamilton, secretary with the Heart Institute, was named North Mississippi Medical Center's Employee of the Month for October.

Hamilton has been with NMMC since 1995. Before joining the Heart Institute, the Tupelo High School graduate worked for 12 years in Food and Nutrition Services.

"The best part of my job is that I work with] the most wonderful and caring co-workers in the world," Hamilton said. Hamilton also loves seeing patients before they go home, feeling better and with a smile on their face.

In her nomination, co-workers emphasized Hamilton's integrity and kind disposition.

"She is incredibly smart and a great judge of character – as genuine as they come," a coworker wrote in her nomination. "Melissa will do what is right every time no matter who is looking."

"Our Heart Institute patients and their families respond to Melissa's friendliness immediately," another co-worker said. "Her genuine smile puts them at ease. She never loses composure and solves any problem quickly and efficiently."

Hamilton resides in Tupelo with her husband George and 18-year-old daughter, Kristen. The family attends Gloster Street Church of Christ.

