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**CATHY WALDROP NAMED NMMC-PONTOTOC'S
DIRECTOR OF NURSING SERVICES**

PONTOTOC, Miss.—Cathy J. Waldrop, CFNP, was recently named director of Hospital Nursing Services at North Mississippi Medical Center-Pontotoc.

Waldrop, who has been serving in the position on an interim basis since July, is responsible for clinical quality, risk management, corporate compliance and Joint Commission at the facility. The hospital's Education, Employee Health, Infection Control and Coding departments also report to her.

The Falkner High School graduate joined the hospital in 1976 as a staff nurse. She was promoted to Education/Performance Improvement Coordinator in 1985 and clinical quality director in 2002.

Waldrop received an associate's degree from Northeast Mississippi Community College in Booneville, and earned her bachelor's and master's degrees and nurse practitioner certificate from Mississippi University for Women in Columbus.

She and her husband David have two adult children and three grandchildren. The couple resides in Pontotoc and attends West Heights Baptist Church.