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**WHITEHEAD NAMED NMMC-PONTOTOC
EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR**

PONTOTOC, Miss.—Linda Whitehead, RN, regulatory nurse in Nursing Administration, was selected Employee of the Year for 2009 at North Mississippi Medical Center-Pontotoc.

Whitehead joined NMMC in 1995 and transferred to NMMC-Pontotoc in 1998. The Potts Camp High School graduate earned her associate's degree in nursing from Itawamba Community College.

"I love working at NMMC-Pontotoc and hope to stay here until retirement," Whitehead said. "I enjoy helping people and working with all the departments."

In her nomination for Employee of the Quarter, Whitehead was praised for her job performance and attitude.

"Linda is very competent and her nursing experience has been a great help in regulating the Emergency Room records," a coworker said. "She is very conscientious in her job performance."

Whitehead and her husband Jim have two cats, Flash and Dusty, and a boxer named Lucy. The couple lives in the Cairo community and are active members of Charity Baptist Church.