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**CROSSMAN HONORED FOR 60 YEARS OF SERVICE
TO THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

July 21, 2011 Jackson, Miss - Mary Crossman, Director of Health Information at Mississippi State Hospital, was honored today by the Mississippi State Personnel Board for her 60 years of service to the State of Mississippi. Crossman was recognized by Chairman Donald G. Brown and received a standing ovation for her accomplishments. With much grace and humility, Ms. Crossman thanked everyone for the recognition and announced that she is "not ready to leave yet."

The longest-serving state employee in Mississippi, Crossman joined State Hospital on January 9, 1951. She began working as a typing clerk straight out of college and was named Director of Medical Records only six months later. She has studied at East Central Junior College, University Medical Center, the University of Georgia, the University of North Carolina and the University of Oklahoma. She acquired additional studies in biostatistics and epidemiology at Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, and has also served as a consultant for several health care facilities, as well as serving as a clinical instructor for the University of Mississippi Medical Center School of Health Related Professionals.



Chairman Don Brown and Ms.
Mary Crossman

Ms. Crossman is a native of Decatur, Miss. and a current resident of Brandon, Mississippi.

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