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EIGHTY-NINE GRADUATE FROM MSPB CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS

Jackson, Miss. – Eighty-nine government employees representing twenty-two agencies across Mississippi recently graduated from the Certified Public Manager[®] and the Administrative Support Certification Programs offered by the Mississippi State Personnel Board. Colonel J.K. “Hoopy” Stringer, Jr., former Executive Director of the Mississippi State Personnel Board and the Department of Finance and Administration, gave the keynote address at the CPM ceremony. Dr. Clyde Muse, President of Hinds Community College, addressed the ASCP graduates.

The Certified Public Manager[®] Program combines classroom training and experiential learning to develop leadership and supervisory skills in managers of state agencies. Participants must complete six levels of course work, successfully complete real-world projects, and pass multiple written examinations in order to complete the certification process.

The Administrative Support Certification uses the same methodology to equip administrative support personnel with the skills needed to serve agencies and clients. Participants must complete three levels of course work, including projects and written examinations, in order to become certified.

MSPB Executive Director Deanne Mosley said, “We are pleased to offer these certification programs to ensure a quality workforce throughout our State. For government to operate efficiently and effectively, it is critical to have a well-trained workforce to serve the citizens of Mississippi.”

MSPB offers training programs tailored to state and local government entities at reduced costs. During Fiscal Year 2012, which ended June 30, 2012, more than 4,800 participants enrolled in training classes offered by the Mississippi State Personnel Board.

A list of all graduates sorted by their current residence is included.

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Graduate	Agency	Residence	Program
Elizabeth "Bitsy" Alderman	Department of Employment Security	Bentonia,MS	ASCP
Jennifer Smith	Department of Employment Security	Brandon, MS	ASCP
Cherrita Speech	Department of Employment Security	Brandon, MS	ASCP
Sandra F. Lofton	Department of Health	Brandon, MS	ASCP
Irene D. Smith	Division of Medicaid	Brookhaven, MS	ASCP
Felicia Carr Thomas	Division of Medicaid	Brookhaven, MS	ASCP
Kimberly L. Christian	Department of Finance and Administration	Byram, MS	ASCP
Joyce M. Brown	Department of Health	Byram, MS	ASCP
Tasha Cross	Department of Health	Canton, MS	ASCP
Donna Y. Holmes	Department of Insurance	Canton, MS	ASCP
Janet Brooks	Division of Medicaid	Canton, MS	ASCP
Emily Dyan Thompson	Division of Medicaid	Crystal Springs, MS	ASCP
Lana Griffin	Public Employees' Retirement System	Crystal Springs, MS	ASCP
Janet L. Courtney	Department of Insurance	Edwards,MS	ASCP
Annette Morris	Public Employees' Retirement System	Flora, MS	ASCP
Tammy Moak	Department of Finance and Administration	Florence, MS	ASCP
Kristi Kindrex	Mississippi State Hospital	Florence, MS	ASCP
Latonia Mallard	Department of Insurance	Georgetown, MS	ASCP
Sabrina Hogue	Division of Medicaid	Goodman,MS	ASCP
Carolyn Heck	Department of Banking and Consumer Finance	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Retha J. Sneed	Department of Corrections	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Jocelyn L. Jordan	Department of Employment Security	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Jennifer Carter	Department of Environmental Quality	Jackson, MS	CPM
Pradip Bhowal	Department of Environmental Quality	Jackson, MS	CPM
Eva W. Brazil	Department of Finance and Administration	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Arlene Thompson	Department of Finance and Administration	Jackson, MS	CPM
Carol Wilson	Department of Finance and Administration	Jackson, MS	CPM
Latasha Watson	Department of Health	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Jonathan Chaney	Department of Health	Jackson, MS	CPM
Vickie Perry	Department of Health	Jackson, MS	CPM
Margaret Cooper	Department of Health	Jackson, MS	CPM
Amy Winter	Department of Health	Jackson, MS	CPM
Debra Epps	Department of Insurance	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Shanitha L. Rayford	Department of Insurance	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Jennifer Dyess	Department of Mental Health	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Rita Johnson	Department of Transportation	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Marilynn Kitchen Lewis	Department of Transportation	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Vergie T. McDonald	Department of Transportation	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Melonie Pittman	Department of Transportation	Jackson, MS	CPM
Judith Raney	Department of Transportation	Jackson, MS	CPM
Bonnie Sides	Department of Transportation	Jackson, MS	CPM
Stacy Slay	Department of Transportation	Jackson, MS	CPM
Nakethia Glover	Division of Medicaid	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Shondra C. Gooden	Division of Medicaid	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Faye Johnson	Division of Medicaid	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Tammie Phillips	Division of Medicaid	Jackson, MS	CPM
Matilda Fleming	Mississippi Forestry Commission	Jackson, MS	CPM

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Patricia Utrillo Thomas	Mississippi State Hospital	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Tori Danielle Whitley	Mississippi State Personnel Board	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Erica D. Allen	Mississippi Board of Examiners	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Vera R. Newell	Office of the State Auditor	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Jacqueline Thomas	Office of the State Auditor	Jackson, MS	ASCP
MarQuaita Lampkin	Office of the State Auditor	Jackson, MS	CPM
Ashley Browning	Office of the State Auditor	Jackson, MS	CPM
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Mary Jones	Public Employees' Retirement System	Jackson, MS	ASCP
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Jennifer Williams	Public Employees' Retirement System	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Terri Bennett	Public Employees' Retirement System	Jackson, MS	CPM
Christopher Burrow	Public Employees' Retirement System	Jackson, MS	CPM
Dawn Harrell	Public Employees' Retirement System	Jackson, MS	CPM
Vickie Jackson	Treasury Department	Jackson, MS	ASCP
Twanna Taylor Steen	Public Employees' Retirement System	Lena, MS	ASCP
Cathy Brown	Department of Finance and Administration	Madison, MS	ASCP
Patricia D. Bennett	Department of Health	Madison, MS	ASCP
Patricia Galtelli	Department of Rehabilitation Services	Madison, MS	ASCP
Kathy Thomas	Department of Rehabilitation Services	Madison, MS	CPM
Donny Frazier	Department of Rehabilitation Services	Madison, MS	CPM
Teresa Salmon	Mississippi State Hospital	Magee, MS	ASCP
Marilyn Manoley	Department of Transportation	Natchez, MS	ASCP
Dr. Gwendolyn Cook	North Mississippi Regional Center	Oxford, MS	CPM
Mary M. Anderson	Division of Medicaid	Pearl, MS	ASCP
Harriette Dickerson	Department of Health	Pelahatchie, MS	ASCP
Angela F. Chatman	South Mississippi State Hospital	Purvis,MS	ASCP
Michael Tucker	South Mississippi State Hospital	Purvis,MS	CPM
Arif Kamal	South Mississippi State Hospital	Purvis,MS	CPM
Robin L. Carter	Department of Environmental Quality	Ridgeland, MS	ASCP
Daphne Baker	Department of Finance and Administration	Ridgeland, MS	ASCP
Marie M. Hillhouse	Department of Transportation	Ridgeland, MS	ASCP
Maryland Grant	Department of Corrections	Ruleville, MS	ASCP
Kay Robertson	Department of Transportation	Sallis, MS	ASCP
Karen McPherson	Department of Health	Starkville, MS	CPM
Phanell Upchurch	Department of Health	Starkville, MS	CPM
Melissa Collums	Department of Health	Starkville, MS	CPM
Mary Rebecca Patrick	Division of Medicaid	Terry, MS	ASCP
Jennifer Broadwater	Mississippi Gaming Commission	Terry, MS	ASCP
James Wilhite	North Mississippi Regional Center	Tupelo, MS	CPM
Larry Thomas	Department of Transportation	Yazoo City, MS	ASCP

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