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Governor Musgrove Appoints Five Members to the Medical Care Advisory Committee

Jackson, Miss. – Governor Musgrove today appointed five members of the Medical Care Advisory Committee. The Medical Care Advisory Committee was established on August 27, 1999 by executive order and was amended by Senate bill 2776 during the 2000 regular legislative session. The Committee advises the Director of Medicaid.

The Governor appoints five members to the board, one from each Congressional District; the Lieutenant Governor appoints three members, one from each Supreme Court District and the Speaker of the House appoints three members, one from each Supreme Court District.

From the First Congressional District the Governor has appointed Dr. Barbara Smith from Southaven. She is currently with the Desoto Family Medical Center.

From the Second Congressional District the Governor has appointed Dr. W. Briggs Hopson from Vicksburg. He is on staff with the Street Clinic.

From the Third Congressional District the Governor has appointed Carol Smith from Meridian. She is currently the Director of Nursing at Rush Foundation Hospital.

From the Fourth Congressional District the Governor has appointed Marilyn Speed from McComb. She is currently the Administrator for Beacham Memorial Hospital.

From the Fifth Congressional District the Governor has appointed Dr. Steven W. Stogner from Hattiesburg. He is currently on staff with the Internal & Pulmonary Medicine Clinic.

“Sound, solid healthcare is vital to a good quality of life for the people of Mississippi,” said Governor Musgrove. “ These committee members are at the top of their profession and know the healthcare needs of Mississippians. Their enthusiasm for healing and

helping people who need medical attention will serve them as they work together to improve Medicaid for our state.”

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