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## **Governor's Health Care Commission Presents Report on Medicaid Recommendations**

(Jackson, MS) – Members of the Governor's Health Care Commission today presented Governor Ronnie Musgrove with the results of their work regarding health care in Mississippi and specifically the state's Medicaid program. Musgrove appointed the Commission, chaired by Dr. Dwalia South of Ripley, earlier this year.

“These doctors, pharmacists, health care professionals, and advocacy representatives from around the state were called to work toward one goal, and that was to make our Medicaid program the most effective and efficient program in the nation,” Musgrove said. “This report will help lead us toward that goal.”

The 35-member Commission met three times since its initial meeting in May, and subcommittees of the Commission also met on a regular basis. The recommendations of the report were categorized into the six areas of prescription drugs, prevention and primary care, integrity and eligibility, access, process issues and state funding.

“I asked the members of this Commission to come together and think outside the box, and that's what they've done,” said Musgrove. “Our focus now shifts to studying these recommendations and their potential for improving health care in Mississippi.”

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