

# 2019 CERTIFICATION

## Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)

Mississippi State Hospital  
Public Water System Name  
0610032

List PWS ID #s for all Community Water Systems included in this CCR

The Federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires each Community Public Water System (PWS) to develop and distribute a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) to its customers each year. Depending on the population served by the PWS, this CCR must be mailed or delivered to the customers, published in a newspaper of local circulation, or provided to the customers upon request. Make sure you follow the proper procedures when distributing the CCR. **You must email, fax (but not preferred) or mail, a copy of the CCR and Certification to the MSDH.** Please check all boxes that apply.

- Customers were informed of availability of CCR by: *(Attach copy of publication, water bill or other)*
  - Advertisement in local paper *(Attach copy of advertisement)*
  - On water bills *(Attach copy of bill)*
  - Email message *(Email the message to the address below)*
  - Other Campus Take Note Attached

Date(s) customers were informed: 5/14/2020 / / 2020 / / 2020

- CCR was distributed by U.S. Postal Service or other direct delivery. Must specify other direct delivery methods used \_\_\_\_\_

Date Mailed/Distributed: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

- CCR was distributed by Email *(Email MSDH a copy)* Date Emailed: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / 2020
  - As a URL \_\_\_\_\_ *(Provide Direct URL)*
  - As an attachment
  - As text within the body of the email message

- CCR was published in local newspaper. *(Attach copy of published CCR or proof of publication)*
  - Name of Newspaper: Campus Take Note
  - Date Published: 5/14/2020

- CCR was posted in public places. *(Attach list of locations)* Date Posted: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / 2020

- CCR was posted on a publicly accessible internet site at the following address: \_\_\_\_\_ *(Provide Direct URL)*

### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the CCR has been distributed to the customers of this public water system in the form and manner identified above and that I used distribution methods allowed by the SDWA. I further certify that the information included in this CCR is true and correct and is consistent with the water quality monitoring data provided to the PWS officials by the Mississippi State Department of Health, Bureau of Public Water Supply

Juan S. Cleary Hospital Director  
Name/Title (Board President, Mayor, Owner, Admin. Contact, etc.)

5/14/2020  
Date

### Submission options (Select one method ONLY)

**Mail:** (U.S. Postal Service)  
MSDH, Bureau of Public Water Supply  
P.O. Box 1700  
Jackson, MS 39215

**Email:** [water.reports@msdh.ms.gov](mailto:water.reports@msdh.ms.gov)  
**Fax:** (601) 576 - 7800  
**\*\*Not a preferred method due to poor clarity\*\***

**CCR Deadline to MSDH & Customers by July 1, 2020!**

**2019 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report**  
**Mississippi State Hospital - Whitfield**  
**PWS ID #: 0610032**  
**April 2020**

We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Quality Water Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source is from wells drawing from the Cockfield Formation and Sparta Sand Aquifers.

The source water assessment has been completed for our public water system to determine the overall susceptibility of its drinking water supply to identify potential sources of contamination. A report containing detailed information on how the susceptibility determinations were made has been furnished to our public water system and is available for viewing upon request. The wells for the Mississippi State Hospital have received a lower susceptibility ranking to contamination.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Steven Strong at 601.572.6082. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. A copy of this report will be posted on all bulletin boards and will be available in the main office.

We routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that were detected during the period of January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019. In cases where monitoring wasn't required in 2019, the table reflects the most recent results. As water travels over the surface of land or underground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive materials and can pick up substances or contaminants from the presence of animals or from human activity; microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm-water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm-water runoff, and residential uses; organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations and septic systems; radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

*Action Level* - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

*Treatment Technique (TT)* - A treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

*Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)* - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

*Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)* - The "Goal"(MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

*Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)* - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary to control microbial contaminants.

*Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)* - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk of health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

*Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l)* - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

*Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter* - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

<b>TEST RESULTS</b>								
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/ACL	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>								
10. Barium	N	2019	.0051	.0014 - .0051	Ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
13. Chromium	N	2019	1.7	1 - 1.7	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits

14. Copper	N	2017/19	.2	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
16. Fluoride**	N	2019	2.18	1.13 – 2.18	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
17. Lead	N	2017/19	4	0	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
<b>Volatile Organic Contaminants</b>								
76. Xylenes	N	2019	.0025	.0010 - .0025	ppm	10	10	Discharge from petroleum factories; discharge from chemical factories
<b>Disinfection By-Products</b>								
81. HAA5	N	2017*	30	No Range	ppb	0	60	By-Product of drinking water disinfection.
82. TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	2017*	36.2	No Range	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
Chlorine	N	2019	1	.5– 1.3	mg/l	0	MDRL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes
<b>Unregulated Contaminants</b>								
Sodium	N	2019	150000	88000 - 150000	PPB	NONE	NONE	Road Salt, Water Treatment Chemicals, Water Softeners and Sewage Effluents.

\* Most recent sample. No sample required for 2019.

As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some contaminants have been detected, however, the EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a monthly basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. In an effort to ensure systems complete all monitoring requirements, MSDH now notifies systems of any missing samples prior to the end of the compliance period.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Our water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>. The Mississippi State Department of Health Public Health Laboratory offers lead testing. Please contact 601.576.7582 if you wish to have your water tested.

To comply with the "Regulation Governing Fluoridation of Community Water Supplies", the MS STATE HOSPITAL-WHITFIELD is required to report certain results pertaining to fluoridation of our water system. The number of months in the previous calendar year that average fluoride sample results were within the optimal range of 0.6-1.2 ppm was 12. The percentage of fluoride samples collected in the previous calendar year that was within the optimal range of 0.6-1.2 ppm was 97%.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1.800.426.4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1.800.426.4791.

We at Mississippi State Hospital work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. After MSDH Regional Engineer conducted the annual inspection, the Mississippi State Hospital PWS received an overall capacity rating of 5.0 out of a possible 5.0.



# TAKE NOTE

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## COMMUNITY TRANSITION HOME CELEBRATES 2ND ANNIVERSARY

A community-based living program developed in partnership between the Mississippi Department of Mental Health, advocates and community providers has celebrated its second anniversary of opening new doors for individuals served by Mississippi State Hospital.

In the spring of 2018, a collaboration between MSH, Region 8 Mental Health Services and The Arc of Mississippi began providing new community-based, supervised living opportunities for people receiving services at MSH. The program includes a four-bed group home in Simpson County operated by

Region 8 that has supported individuals previously served at MSH who desired to live in a community setting and were able to make that transition. MSH social workers and staff from the CMHC helped to prepare the individuals for the transition with an emphasis on psychosocial training and coping skills. The home is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, by trained mental health professionals who shared that the ladies served were grateful for this new opportunity and are proud of the progress they have made with their health and wellness.



## NEW CAFETERIA HOURS

Hours for the Employee Cafeteria on Building 56 will change beginning Monday, May 4, 2020. The change is due to a lower volume of employees utilizing the cafeteria for lunch due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Hours of Operation:

**Breakfast: Mon-Fri 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.**

**Lunch: Mon -Fri 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

**(Closed on all State Holidays)**

Normal hours will resume as soon as volumes increase.

## GROCERIES TO GO ON B-56

Cura Hospitality (formerly Valley Services) on Building 56 is offering grocery items for purchase by MSH employees to help limit possible COVID-19 exposure for them and their families from grocery store shopping. A limited quantity of items (**see the attached list with prices**) will be on display and available from 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday in the serving area of the Employee Cafeteria. **Payment is by cash or debit card only (no checks).** Prices are subject to change.

Employees may also order items from the attached list for pick-up by faxing, emailing or printing and hand-delivering the form to Retail Manager Vickie Hughes or a Cura supervisor on B-56. Fax number is 601-932-8040. Email to Vickie.Hughes@curahospitality.com. Orders placed by 10 a.m. on Friday will be available for pick-up on Monday. Orders placed by 10 a.m. on Tuesday will be available for pickup on Thursday. (The Employee Cafeteria will be closed on April 27 for the state holiday.)

**Items may be limited or unavailable due to the needs of patients/residents or because of the supplier's inventory.**

Special thanks to Inga Braswell, Food Service Director, for organizing this program.

