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**GOV. BEEBE APPOINTS THREE NEW MEMBERS TO THE  
ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, January 25, 2010 - Gov. Mike Beebe recently appointed three new members to the Arkansas State Board of Nursing. They are:

**Peggy Duncan Baggenstoss**, of Fordyce, is a licensed practical nurse at Millcreek of Arkansas in Fordyce. She fills the position for one of the licensed practical nurses or licensed psychiatric technician nurses on the Board. Baggenstoss earned a nursing certificate from Red River Vo-tech in Camden. She is a member of the Arkansas Licensed Practical Nurse Association and the Fordyce Civitan Club. Baggenstoss has worked as a nurse in Camden and El Dorado, at St. Vincent Health Systems, and fulfilled a dream by serving as a travel nurse in Oregon. Baggenstoss is married, has two grown daughters and three grandchildren. She replaces Peggy Morgan on the Board.

**Karen J. Holcomb**, of Pine Bluff, is a registered nurse and fills the position for one of the diploma registered nurses on the Board. She received her nursing diploma from Jefferson School of Nursing in Pine Bluff and bachelor's degree in gerontology from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. Her certifications include AHA Mid-Management Certification, ACLS and BLS. She is a clinical nurse manager in the orthopedics and urology unit at Jefferson Regional Medical Center in Pine Bluff. Previously, she worked in the cardiac step-down unit and quality management and special procedures departments at JRMC.

Holcomb is a third generation nurse and said, "I love taking care of patients and want to serve on the Board to help make a difference in ensuring patient safety." She is married to Danny Holcomb and has two children. Holcomb replaces Kathy Hicks on the Board.

**Richard A. (Rick) Spivey**, of Greenbrier, is a licensed practical nurse and fills the position for one of the licensed practical nurses or licensed psychiatric technician nurses on the Board. Spivey earned a nursing certificate from Petit Jean Technical College in Morrilton. He has certifications as a mental health paraprofessional and as an American Red Cross CPR/FA instructor. He works at Salem Place Nursing Center in Conway and Greenbrier Nursing Center. Spivey previously worked at Conway Regional Hospital as a scrub nurse and in the medical/surgery unit. Spivey has been recognized by the Arkansas Licensed Practical Nurse Association for leadership as an LPN in long-term care. He replaces Lori Eakin on the Board.