



Above, Neshoba County General Hospital CEO Lonnie Graeber looks on as Anderson Regional Medical Center President & CEO Ray Humphreys signs Anderson's half of the affiliation agreement.

PHILADELPHIA, MS. – On July 18 Neshoba County General Hospital – Nursing Home announces that it has officially entered into an affiliation with Anderson Regional Medical Center.

This affiliation stems from the common objective of providing compassionate, efficient and effective healthcare to the people of central Mississippi. Through mutual cooperation, the healthcare expertise, services and programs of Anderson Regional will now be allied with the healthcare expertise, services and programs of Neshoba General in such a manner that the patients and communities served by Neshoba General and Anderson Regional can benefit from the provision of optimum healthcare services at both organizations.

“With the drastic changes in healthcare, Neshoba General’s board and management came to the conclusion that an affiliation will allow us to most effectively benefit the entire population of Neshoba County while maintaining our independence and local governance,” explains Neshoba General’s CEO Lonnie Graeber. “After considering our options for affiliation, we are excited to announce our selection of Anderson Regional Medical Center. This relationship will allow Neshoba General to be affiliated with a larger regional healthcare system with greater access to medical resources that will benefit the community that we serve.”

Ray Humphreys, President & CEO of Anderson Regional, describes the relationship in more depth, stating, “By no means are we taking over or purchasing Neshoba General. Instead, we are coming together to jointly improve healthcare for the entire central Mississippi region. At Anderson Regional, our mission is to continue our heritage of healing and improving the lives of the people we serve. Neshoba General has complementary values to Anderson Regional, and this will allow us both to fulfill our mutual goals together in the future.”

Anderson Regional Medical Center, now a 400-bed hospital after acquiring Riley Hospital, also has nine community health clinics in east Mississippi and west Alabama. Anderson Regional has the region’s only comprehensive cancer center and the area’s longest and most experienced heart surgery team. The affiliation with Neshoba General will allow Anderson Regional to continue to share its first-class healthcare resources with an ever-growing community. The affiliation between the two hospitals is effective immediately and serves as the beginning of a relationship that both CEOs see as strengthening both organizations over time.