



HEALTH CARE

MISSISSIPPI'S innovative spirit is the driving force behind its biotechnology and life sciences pioneers. For 50 years, Mississippi has been at the forefront of healthcare research and development – from the United States' first lung transplant in 1963 performed by Dr. James Hardy in Jackson to the first synthetic organ transplant in 2011 of a trachea made possible by Hybrid Plastic's POSS® nano chemical developed in Hattiesburg. The state is among many firsts in the healthcare industry. Serving more than 700,000 people, the North Mississippi Medical Center in Tupelo claims the title of the largest non-metropolitan hospital in the United States.

Success stories such as these are not uncommon in Mississippi. With two medical schools, five four-year institutions with nursing schools, numerous healthcare occupation programs, and a strong business climate, Mississippi's healthcare industry is primed for abundant growth.

- The first synthetic organ transplant in 2011 was made possible by Hybrid Plastic's POSS® nano chemical developed in Hattiesburg. Hybrid Plastics is one of the top 10 nanotechnology companies in the United States and manufactures its nano-products on a multi-ton scale at its 35,000-square-foot facility.
- In 2013 Teleflex, a leader global provider of medical devices, officially opened their 627,000-square-foot distribution facility in Olive Branch.
- Baxter Healthcare Corporation, a bioscience and medical products company, operates a plant in Cleveland.

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MISSISSIPPI

2 FORTUNE 100
HEALTHCARE COMPANIES
Have Distribution Facilities in Mississippi
McKESSON
(#15)
CARDINAL HEALTH
(#22)

MISSISSIPPI RANKS
#1
BEST STATES TO PRACTICE
MEDICINE
Physician's Practice, 2014

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY
MAJOR RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTION
A TOP-FUNDED
PHARMACY SCHOOL
NATIONALLY

MISSISSIPPI RANKS
TOP 7
STATES EARNING AN "A" GRADE FOR
TELEMEDICINE
American Telemedicine Association, 2014

NORTH MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CENTER
Tupelo, Mississippi
SERVES
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Health Care Success in Mississippi:

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Empowering Healthcare

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Hybrid Plastics™
Superior Technology for Superior Products

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Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

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HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS



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MINIMIZE EFFORT • MAXIMIZE COMFORT

Teleflex®

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HEALTH CARE LAUNDRY SERVICES

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In 2012, the Mississippi Legislature passed the **Health Care Industry Zone Act**, providing incentives to health care-related businesses that locate or expand within a qualified Health Care Zone. The incentive aims to expand access to high-quality medical care for residents throughout the state and increase the number of health care jobs in the state.



WORKFORCE Mississippi's skilled workforce is its greatest treasure. Mississippians have a "can-do" attitude and are driven by pride to do things right. Robust workforce training programs offered throughout the state equip Mississippi's people with the necessary skills to get the job done. A right-to-work state, Mississippi's affordable cost of living, low overall cost of doing business, and tax and financing incentives make it an attractive economic option for companies of all sizes—from start-ups to established multinational corporations.

An enterprise is only as good as its people—that's why more industry leaders are choosing a Mississippi location to compete in today's global marketplace.



INCENTIVES The State of Mississippi offers a variety of grant, loan, and tax incentive programs designed to assist businesses creating jobs and making capital investments in the state. For a full list of health care industry business incentive programs available from the state, visit the [incentives page](#).

AVECTUS HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS IS VERY EXCITED ABOUT EXPANDING OPERATIONS IN CORINTH. THIS EXPANSION IS PROVIDING OUR OPERATION THE ABILITY TO CONSOLIDATE THUS ALLOWING US TO ENTER NEW MARKETS, CREATE NEW JOBS AND PROTECT EXISTING JOBS.



Tim Smith, Chief Executive Officer
Avectus Healthcare Solutions

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**MISSISSIPPI'S
TRANSPORTATION
INFRASTRUCTURE**



ROADS

DIVIDED FOUR-LANE
HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE,
SIX INTERSTATES,
& 14 FEDERAL HIGHWAYS

RAIL

30 RAIL CAR PROVIDERS,
INCLUDING FIVE
CLASS 1 RAILROADS,
(2,500 MILES OF TRACK)

PORTS

15 PORTS (2 DEEPWATER)
ALONG THE GULF OF MEXICO,
MISSISSIPPI RIVER,
& TENNESSEE-TOMBIGBEE WATERWAY

AIR

7 COMMERCIAL
AIRPORTS
(INCLUDING TWO
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS)