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### Cullman Public Health Social Worker Angel Cook honored

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Angel Cook of the Cullman County Health Department was selected as Public Health Social Worker of the Year for 2014. She was recognized March 7 at the Public Health Social Work Seminar held in Montgomery.

A Public Health Area 2 employee for the past six years and an Alabama Department of Public Health employee for 14 years, Ms. Cook provides social work coverage in multiple counties and programs.

Supporters describe Ms. Cook as “a shining star, who goes above and beyond in every aspect of her work, from paper work to meeting the needs of the patients.” Coworkers said she is “loyal, dependable, trustworthy and always positive” and serves as a role model for those considering social work as a career.

Letters of support stated she is “full of energy and gets a sparkle in her eye when she talks about ‘her patients’ and is ‘a real team player.’” The fight against Alzheimer’s Disease is the main cause to which she is devoted.

Public health social workers provide intervention services to help clients discover ways of meeting their needs and preventing future problems. Clients they serve may be children, families, elderly persons, and physically and mentally handicapped adults who have needs.

March is National Social Work Month. Ms. Cook was chosen from an outstanding pool of nominees from across the state.