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## **MEDIA ALERT**

USDA, ARC SELECT UMMC FOR TELEMEDICINE GRANT TO SERVE MISSISSIPPI'S APPALACHIAN COUNTIES

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**WHAT:** Representatives from the United States Department of Agriculture, the Appalachian Regional Commission and the University of Mississippi Medical Center will host a joint press conference

WHEN: Thursday, March 6, 10 a.m.

WHERE: Suite 451 of the USB Building, 6360 I-55 North Frontage Road, Jackson

**WHY:** The USDA and the ARC have selected UMMC for a distance-learning and telemedicine service grant, "Telemedicine Emergency and Specialty Care for Appalachia in North Mississippi (TESCAN)." The funding will provide infrastructure to connect health-care providers at 10 rural hospitals with the Telehealth Program at UMMC for emergency and specialty care services.

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