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Dear Sir,

During my retirement years I have written a book, which I have entitled "Autobiography of a Pioneer in the Two Fields of Occupational Medicine and Active Nursing Care." It had to be an autobiography, because no other individual is in possession of enough information to write it.

If you are among the many who are blinded by the term 'Autobiography', there is little reason for you to read further. However, for the probable financial gain, and added prestige, it will bring to your company, I suggest that you refer this letter to someone who has the capacity to recognize the fundamentals of a new direction to which the practice of medicine will turn in the next century.

My vision of this development is outlined in considerable detail in the book, not as a transitory daydream but as a candid documentation of momentous results achieved through two demonstration projects, which I developed and directed.

The first project was for a three-year period and the second for a five-year period thereafter. Both were funded by the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare, with the grants paid directly to the Minneapolis Health Department in Minnesota. I personally did not receive any of the grant money because I was already a full-time employee of the Health Department, in the position of Director of Adult Health.

The two Demonstration Projects proved conclusively the value of the new emphasis placed on interdisciplinary cooperation, and the interdependence of each element of service, which was taught by me and the diverse professionals who made up my team.

The methods promoted were carried through by the existing personnel of the institutions cooperating. The program was adopted wholeheartedly by the Extended Care Center of one large hospital and by several nursing homes in Minneapolis and its vicinity. The benefits to patients were outstanding and our efforts received the staunch approbation of the physicians and paramedicals involved.

The groundwork for implementation of these new concepts has already been laid, because copies of the two large volumes of the "Final Report Active Care Satellite Project", written by me, were in the year 1971 placed in the hands of the Deans of all of the leading Medical Schools in the United States of America and the Dominion of Canada. It seems that no one, in any of these

universities, has ever read the Report and it appears that publication of my "Autobiography" is the bombshell needed to resurrect this important advance in the practice of medicine.

Recently a federal court, in Denver Colorado, ordered the Department of Health and Human Services (successor to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare) to rewrite guidelines for inspecting nursing homes to emphasize actual care of patients, rather than the structure of the home.

This is one of the reasons why my Autobiography should be published now In support of this contention are the following facts.

1. My fourteen years of official and personal inspecting of nursing homes in Minneapolis gave me an insight into their devious practices and their effect on patients health which few doctors of medicine have ever experienced. Sections Six and Seven of the Autobiography deal with these problems and their solutions.

2. Chapter 19 of the Autobiography brings to light our Revised Form of the Minneapolis Grading System for Nursing Homes and Extended Care Facilities, which is described in great detail in Volume II of the Final Report of the Active Care Satellite Project.

3. This Grading System is specifically designed to rate such facilities in relation to their actual delivery of optimum patient care.

4. This Grading System is considered appropriate for use nationally and I believe it is the very thing the Department of Health and Human Services should be looking into.

5. The Department of Health and Human Services has on hand, somewhere, many copies of Final Report Active Care Satellite Project because I sent them there in 1971.

6. Volume II of the Project referred to, not only describes how to make the inspections and arrive at the grade, but it also describes how universities should educate and graduate surveyors to do the inspecting.

I cannot attempt to go into further details in this letter, nor refer to the many other unique features of my professional life which are also outlined in this "Autobiography". However, I suspect that the first perceptive person to read it will want to grab the opportunity to publish it.

I make no apologies for the quality of my writing because, over the most productive years of my professional life, I have had more than 115 papers published, which are mentioned in the "Autobiography". If your Company is interested I can be reached by telephone through the number (602) 972-7305 or by letter mailed to the address at the top of this communication.

Yours truly,

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