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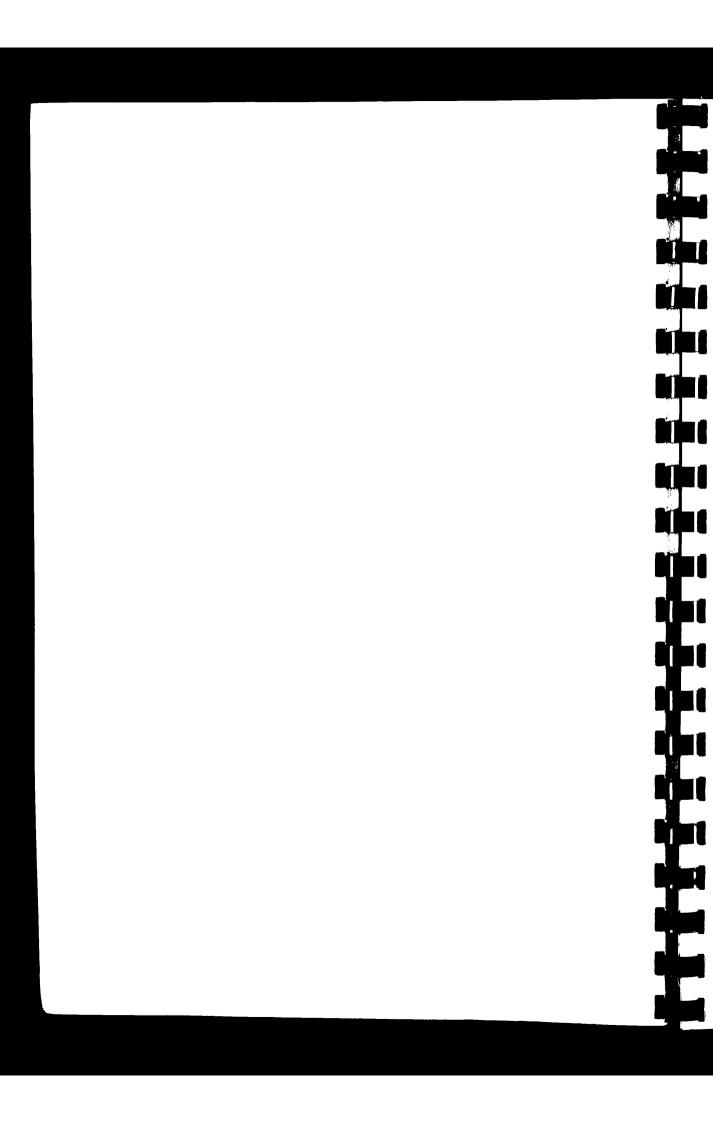
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INTRODUCTION

Two major changes have been made in the production of this fifth edition of the Register of Projects supported by King Edward's Hospital Fund for London. First there is a section (printed on blue coloured paper) which summarises very briefly projects that have been completed since 1975 and for which records are available. These summaries are intended only as pointers to the work carried out and those wishing to obtain more information should enquire at the King's Fund Centre library quoting the project reference number. Secondly, the index at the end has been completely revised and extended. Most key words have been included so that there is full cross-referencing: current projects as well as those that have been completed are included.

Although the Register is produced principally for "in-house" King's Fund purposes, some copies are made available to others and it is therefore necessary to repeat the caveat of the earlier editions. This Register is <u>not</u> a comprehensive catalogue of all the work financed by the King's Fund. It attempts to summarise the majority of the innovative projects but does not include details of grants for buildings and similar improvements. The selection in this Register is therefore to some extent subjective and is based on the criterion that projects likely to have a general application, or appeal to a wider audience than the local proponents, are included.

During 1982 the number and range of applications to the Fund abated only slightly. Eighty were rejected by or on behalf of the Project Committee and a number of these were turned down after long debate or because the Fund's financial resources were insufficient for all the proposals we should have liked to have supported. The range of topics remains as wide as ever as the following selection of important projects begun in 1982 indicates:

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The projects listed in the Register are grouped by sponsoring committees: each is cross-indexed by title and key words. Although considerable detail is included about current work, it cannot be too strongly emphasised that it is only by contacting the project coordinator that full information about any particular subject can be obtained. The Register complements the larger volume which lists the project and research activities of the European and Scandinavian Health Institutes – a work which is coordinated by the librarians at the King's Fund Centre.

Mistakes or omissions may have occured as a result of the extension of the Register this year. I should be very grateful to hear of these so that the information may be corrected next year. Nonetheless, I hope that it will continue to be of use and interest to health care staff inside and outside the Fund and who are committed to improving standards of care.

W. G. CANNON

Director, King's Fund Centre and Secretary, Project Committee

January 1983

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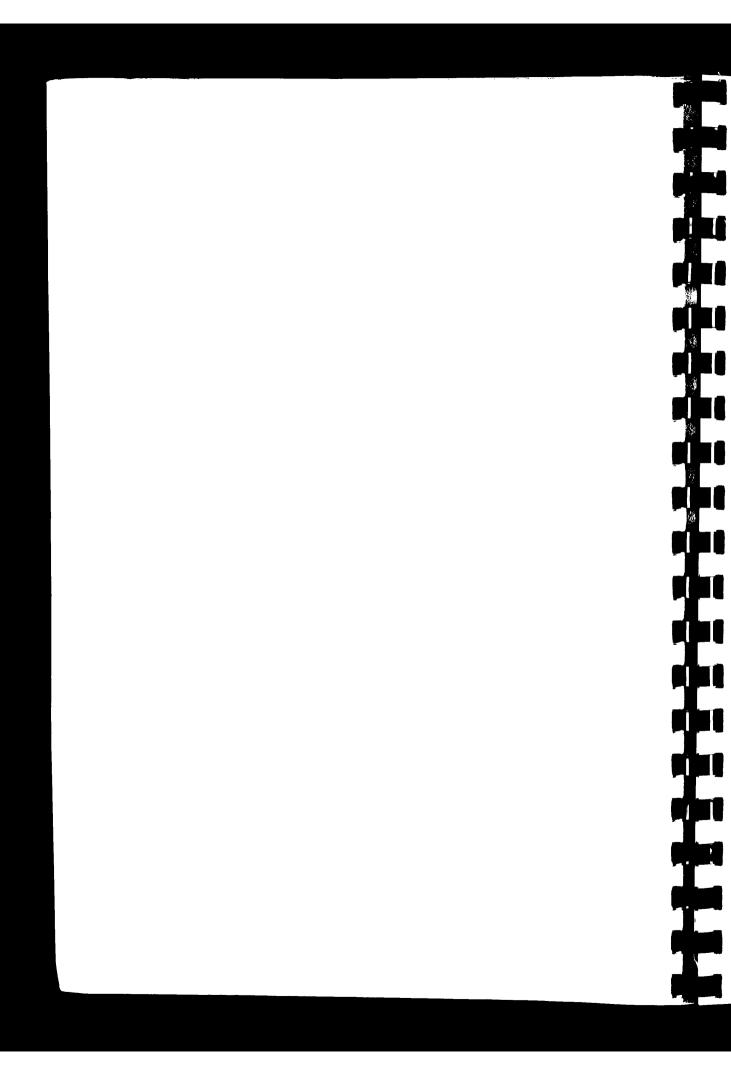
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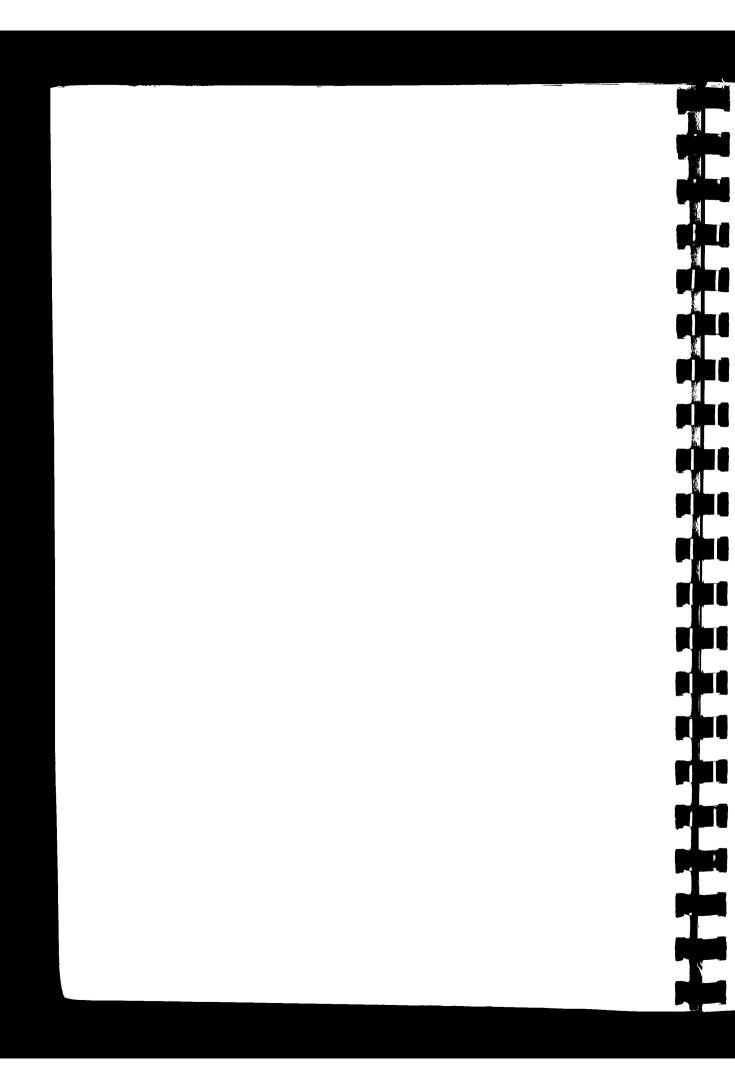
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MAN 8705(i)

Project:

The development and evaluation of a modified A4 record system.

Starting date:

June 1977.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£4,950.

Project leader:

Dr Ian Tait,

Principal in General Practice,

45 Park Road, Aldeburgh, Suffolk.

Project officer:

Project base:

Dr Tait's practice, Aldeburgh, Suffolk.

Objectives:

To develop and evaluate a modified A4 record system for use in general practice that will allow letters and reports to be filed flat while continuing to use the present size of record cards for recording important background information and for day to day clinical notes.

Methodology:

The clinical notes of a group practice (4,500 patients) will be converted to the modified A4

record system.

The conversion will be studied to establish likely norms for the use of space, equipment, finance, time and professional skills entailed.

An information service and instructions about the adoption and use of the system will be developed. This will include an illustrated handbook and an audio-visual package for self instruction.

Presentation

of results:

Project report to King's Fund; articles for professional journals; production of instructional

literature.

Evaluation criteria:

The proposed system will be evaluated in use and

optimum methods defined.

KF coordinator:

MAN 8972

Project:

Medical Services Study Group.

Starting date:

May 1976.

Planned duration:

5 years.

Funds allocated:

£42,000. Plus £120,000.

Project leader:

Sir Cyril Clarke,

Director,

Medical Services Study Group, c/o King's Fund Centre,

126 Albert Street, London NW1 7NF.

Project officer:

Prof A G W Whitfield, Assistant Director, Medical

Services Study Group; address above.

Project base:

King's Fund Centre.

Objectives:

To examine deaths and other medical disasters which should be preventable, to define as far as possible why they were not prevented, and thus to reduce the chances of similar misfortunes happening

Methodology:

As a first step a small unit was accommodated at the King's Fund Centre to devise ways and means

of achieving the objectives of the project.

Presentation

of results:

Written reports, copies of which are received by the King's Fund; the publication of papers in the

professional journals.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.

Note: This project is being carried out in collaboration with the Royal College of Physicians.

MAN 9101

Project:

Childhood accident prevention.

Starting date:

March 1978.

Planned duration:

4 years.

Funds allocated:

£55,025.

Project leader:

Dr R H Jackson.

Project officer:

Mrs Jean Gaffin.

Project base:

Child Accident Prevention Committee,

c/o Faculty of Clinical Sciences,

School of Medicine,

University College London,

University Street, London WC1E 6JJ.

Objectives:

To form a Joint Committee on Childhood Accident Prevention, consisting of representatives of government departments, medical bodies, and other organisations concerned with childhood accident prevention. The committee's terms of reference to be:

- To encourage investigation and research so as to increase our knowledge of the pattern of accidents in childhood and about the deeper causes of accidents.
- To promote the production of safety equipment and to campaign for a better understanding of the importance of an adequate environment and for national laws aiming at a safer home environment.
- 3 To spread information on childhood accidents and on different types of risks and ways of preventing them.

Methodology:

- The collecting, coordinating and collating of information about work done in this field.
- The initiating and supporting of research into the causes and types of childhood accidents and into their social and psychological causes and effects.
- 3 The ascertaining of factors in these accidents which are modifiable and by what means they can be altered.

- 4 The dissemination of information to appropriate national and local bodies, and to groups of people with a view to action being taken.
- 5 The examination of the effectiveness of accident prevention programmes.
- 6 The increasing of public awareness of the problems through the media and through publications.
- 7 The supporting (and not supplanting) of existing organisations working in this field.

Presentation of results:

Not specified.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

MAN 9229(i)

Project:

Nursing Policies Study Unit.

Starting date:

1st July 1982.

Planned duration:

6 months.

Funds allocated:

£10,500.

Project leader:

Miss H O Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

Project officer:

Miss Rosemary White, Project Officer seconded to University of Bath.

Project base:

King's Fund Centre.

Objectives:

To establish the feasibility of setting up a Nursing Policy Studies Unit at a university the objectives of which would be:

- 1 To investigate and examine the implications of policies relating to nursing.
- To involve nurses in these investigations and to develop an awareness for the need for a full analysis of policy decisions.
- 3 To seek to influence the making of policy.
- 4 To develop a theoretical framework within which nursing policy can be measured, assessed and formulated.

Methodology:

The project will be visiting selected universities to discuss the establishing of a unit and will report to the steering group which has been set up by the Management Committee of the King's Fund.

Presentation of results:

Report to the King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

Hazel Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

MAN 9240

Project:

Toynbee Hall/senior care and leisure centre.

Starting date:

April 1980.

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

£15,000.

Project leader:

John Profumo,

The Universities' Settlement in East London,

Toynbee Hall,

28 Commercial Road,

London El 6LS.

Project officer:

Olive Wagstaff,

Director of the Senior Care and Leisure Centre.

Project base:

Toynbee Hall.

Objectives:

To provide a centre in order to offer an opportunity for the elderly to live independently and to encourage and enable them to contribute to society rather than depend upon it. The centre would be open to both those living in Toynbee Hall

and outside.

Methodology:

To operate a day centre from Monday to Friday, to provide lunches and activities including a work room, suitable for simple employment including toy

and candle making, metal work etc.

Presentation

of results:

Not specified.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

MAN 9272

Project:

Development and evaluation of policies and projects

on ethnic minorities.

Starting date:

January 1983.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£10,000.

Project leader:

Dr J L Roberts,

Regional General Administrator,

West Midlands Regional Health Authority,

Birmingham.

Project officer:

To be appointed.

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

To finance jointly with the West Midlands Regional Health Authority the appointment of a project officer whose task it will be to direct, evaluate and promote the development of regional initiatives in the field of health services, and health

promotion for ethnic minorities.

Methodology:

The project officer will be seconded to different districts of the region to work closely with

operational officers.

Presentation

of results:

To be determined.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

MAN 9304

Project:

Quality of care in anaesthetic practice.

Starting date:

June 1983.

Planned duration:

2 days.

Funds allocated:

£3,000.

Project leader:

Dr Graham Bennette, MA, MB, BChir,

Medical Services Secretary, Royal Society of Medicine.

Project officer:

Project base:

Royal Society of Medicine,

1 Wimpole Street,

London W1.

Objectives:

To advance the quality of care in anaesthetic

practice.

Methodology:

A conference is to be held at Chandos House, London in June 1983. Invited papers will be submitted several months before the meeting. Selected writers will write critical reviews of these papers. At the symposium all the time will be

devoted to discussion sessions.

Presentation of results:

A commitment to publish a book has already been

given and it is towards these costs that the Fund's

grant has been given.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

PRO 78/29

Project:

A mobile assessment unit for handicapped children.

Starting date:

November 1978.

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

£41,893.

Project leader:

Professor K S Holt,

Department of Developmental Paediatrics,

Institute of Child Health,

London.

Project officer:

Professor K S Holt.

Project base:

Institute of Child Health, University of London

Objectives:

- To determine the role of a mobile unit in relation to the overall plans for providing effective services for handicapped children.
- 2 To plan and carry out the conversion of a double deck bus into a mobile unit.
- 3 To evaluate the work and to make recommendations for future development and arrangement of services.

Methodology:

A full statement is available; in summary:

Two activities will be pursued simultaneously -

- Discussions with colleagues and health authorities to determine the requirements and possible role of the mobile unit, followed by the working out of detailed plans of operation according to the wishes of the individuals responsible in each locality.
- Planning and designing the conversion of the bus as a mobile unit.

When the bus is operational, all activities of the mobile unit will be monitored.

Presentation of results:

- 1 A written report to the King's Fund.
- 2 The publication of papers in appropriate professional journals.

Evaluation criteria:

Descriptive report of the bus conversion with reasons for all items included.

- Descriptive report of all activities undertaken. Activities will be itemised so that it will be possible to determine their clinical effectiveness and their cost.
- 3 Comparison with alternative arrangements.

KF coordinator:

Mrs J Rush, Project Officer, King's Fund Centre.

PRO 80/15

Project:

Phonetic representation of disordered speech.

Starting date:

April 1980.

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

£800 x 3 (£2,400).

Project leader:

Dr Pamela Grunwell,

Head of Department of Linguistics,

University of Sheffield.

Project officer:

As above.

Project base:

The Department of Linguistics,

University of Sheffield,

Sheffield S10 2TN.

Objectives:

The development of methods of recording and classifying deviant (disordered) speech sounds, as a first step towards organising remedial solutions.

Methodology:

The purpose of the grant is to meet the travelling expenses of a group of sixteen phonetic or linguistic experts from several universities in England and Scotland. The group meets twice

yearly.

Presentation

of results:

The production of education materials for publication so that the new systems of phonetic representation can be disseminated to qualifying

and qualified speech therapists.

Evaluation criteria:

Not yet determined.

KF coordinator:

Project:

An advice and legal representation service at

Springfield Hospital, Wandsworth, London.

Starting date:

September 1980.

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

£64,166.

Project leader:

Richard Hallmark,

Solicitor,

Wandsworth Legal Resource Project.

Project officer:

To be appointed.

Project base:

Wandsworth Legal Resource Project.

248 Lavender Hill, London SW11.

Objectives:

- To establish an independent, confidential, free advice and legal representation service at Springfield Psychiatric Hospital.
- To run training sessions on welfare rights and law for hospital staff.
- 3 To analyse the use made of the service provided.

Methodology:

To employ a lawyer and a general advice worker who will work full time operating a service for two years. Major areas for advice giving will be: housing; finance; family; health; environment. Progress will be reviewed every six months.

Presentation of results:

King's Fund Centre Seminar. Publication in professional journals. Press release to appropriate national newspapers.

Evaluation criteria:

The recorded needs of patients) for the service The recorded needs of staff) as provided. The time spent liaising with other support agencies. KF coordinator:

D M Hands, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

PRO 80/45

Project:

Training ward sisters - experimental ward

Starting date:

October 1978.

Planned duration:

3 to 5 years.

Funds allocated:

£75,000.

Project leader:

Miss H O Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund

Centre.

Project officer:

Miss C Davies, Project Assistant, King's Fund

Centre.

Project bases:

Whipps Cross Hospital; Guy's Hospital

Objectives:

To provide specific training for nurses to become

ward sisters.

Methodology:

Training wards for the purpose will be set up at Whipps Cross Hospital and Guy's Hospital. ward will be provided with a nurse-tutor as well as an experienced ward sister in order to help to define a model for ward sister training which might

be used within the Area Health Authority.

Presentation

of results:

To be determined.

Evaluation criteria:

As prescribed by the Research Unit, Chelsea

College.

KF coordinator:

Miss H O Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund

Centre.

PRO 80/53

Project:

Sex and the Disabled.

Starting date:

July 1980.

Planned duration:

6 months.

Funds allocated:

£600.

Project leader:

Bernadette Fallon, author.

Project officer:

Project base:

30 Richmond Mount,

Leeds 6.

Objectives:

To prepare a synopsis and a sample chapter of a book designed to describe how the disabled may enjoy a fuller sex life - the synopsis then to be sent to an appropriate publisher for him to decide whether he will accept a commitment to produce

the book.

Methodology:

The synopsis will include commentary on how to have a good full and satisfying sex life. It will be written for the disabled, describing techniques and

practices they can try for themselves.

Presentation of results:

Book publication.

Evaluation criteria:

Whether accepted by publisher.

KF coordinator:

PRO 81/22

Project:

Residential care task

Starting date:

January 1981.

Planned duration:

2½ years.

Funds allocated:

£20,000.

Project leader:

David Jones, Principal,

National Institute for Social Work.

Project officer:

Chris Payne.

Lecturer in Residential Social Work, National Institute for Social Work.

Project base:

National Institute for Social Work,

5-7 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9SS.

Objectives:

- 1 To establish in what ways skills required by residential care staff are now acquired.
- 2 To identify what educational and training resources are in use.
- 3 To evaluate learning objectives and needs for which these resources are used.
- 4 To publicise reference and source materials.
- 5 To produce as a pilot scheme one training package.

Methodology:

To make contact with staff and training officers now working in this field. To survey methods used in residential practice by postal questionnaire. To interview potential users of training packages to ascertain their needs. To analyse all the material obtained from these activities. To produce the joint training package. To evaluate the use of this pilot training material.

Presentation of results:

Report to the National Institute for Social Work and to the King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria:

Largely focused on the take up use and effectiveness of the training materials produced. Criteria not stated.

KF coordinator:

D Towell, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

PRO 81/48(i)

Project:

Outpatient Audit.

Starting date:

October 1980.

Planned duration:

16 months.

Funds allocated:

£14,662.

Project leader:

S J Steele, FRCS, FRCOG,

Director,

Academic Department of Obstetrics, Middlesex Hospital Medical School.

Project officer:

Project base:

Academic Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology,
Middlesex Hospital Medical School.

Objectives:

- To investigate the clinical and administrative management of outpatient department clinics.
- To demonstrate the value of an active interest in clinic administration by the professional staff involved.
- To identify the extent to which patients come unnecessarily to clinics and who is responsible for these visits.

Methodology:

- To record the number of wasted appointments due to non-availability of essential information, absence of specific doctors, and non-attendance of patients.
- 2 To base the enquiry at three separate clinics.
- 3 To use the services of a trained nurse to study the detailed operations of these clinics.
- A small advisory group at each hospital will be established to advise the project officer.

Presentation of results:

A report to the King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria:

The extent to which the identified deficiencies are remedied, and the remedies demonstrated to be permanent.

KF coordinator:

PRO 81/48(iv)

Project:

Teaching communication skills in nursing.

Starting date:

1 November 1981.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£6,950.

Project leader:

Dr W A Bridge,

Senior Research Officer,

Joint Board of Clinical Nursing Studies.

Project officer:

Project base:

Department of Education,

Sussex University,

Falmer, Brighton.

Objectives:

To evaluate video tape sequences of nursing geriatric and cancer patients, filmed for the purpose of teaching techniques in nurse/patient and nurse/relative communication.

Methodology:

- A retrospective study by means of a postal questionnaire of the nurse teaching staff's experience of using the video tape in 40 pilot study centres.
- A project worker will select a small number of centres (probably 3-5) for an indepth study of the use and effectiveness of the video tapes. This will involve direct contact with the participating tutors.

Presentation of results:

A report in the professional journals. Guidelines will be developed for the adaptation of these and subsequent video tapes for use in nurse education.

Evaluation criteria:

KF coordinator:

PRO 81/52

Project:

Prevention in mental health (MIND).

Starting date:

January 1983.

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

£30,000.

Project leader:

Christopher Hegginbotham,

National Director,

MIND.

Project officer:

Project base:

National Association for Mental Health (MIND),

22 Harley Street,

London W.1.

Objectives:

To provide greater clarity about the need to

prevent mental illness.

To assess the state of knowledge about specific mental disorders, vulnerable groups and social

conditions.

To evaluate current preventative programmes.

To disseminate information about prevention and to

help others set up projects.

Methodology:

To undertake a literature review.

To produce a monograph about a specific issue (e.g.

depression in women).

To identify four regional projects for support.

To produce short papers about local initiatives in

this field.

Two research officers with secretarial assistance

will be needed to carry out these tasks.

Presentation of results:

A series of papers in professional and national

journals.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

PRO 81/55

Project:

Audio visual programme in radiation safety for hospital staff.

Starting date:

1 January 1982.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£5,250.

Project leader:

Dr D R White, Principal Physicist,

St Bartholomew's Hospital,

London EC1.

Project officer:

Project base:

Radiation Physic Department, St Bartholomew's Hospital, London EC1A 7BE.

Objectives:

To develop specialised tape/slide programmes tailored to the needs of specific groups of hospital staff (e.g. domestics, porters, nurses, radiographers, etc.).

To enable all categories of staff in teaching and non-teaching hospitals to be given adequate and relevant instruction in radiation safety.

Methodology:

- Scripts. Drafted by the project officer and then inspected by senior hospital staff and, if possible, representatives of the Health and Safety Executive and the National Radiological Protection Board.
- 2 Graphics. Produced by medical artists at St Bartholomew's collaborating with the project officer.
- 3 Photography. Produced as transparencies either in studio or on location by the hospitals medical photography department.
- 4 Recording. Commentaries produced in English, or where appropriate, in foreign languages, in the recording studio of the audio visual department of the hospital.
- Testing. Before being put into routine use, each programme viewed by specialist hospital staff, selected potential users and representatives of other institutions. Amendments and improvements are then incorporated.

Presentation of results:

Apart from the production of six programmes (for secretaries, clerks, nurses, radiographers, laboratory staff and doctors) a paper will be written about the whole series of the Journal of Audiovisual Media in Medicine. An exhibition will be mounted for the Annual Congress of the British Institute of Radiology.

Evaluation criteria:

The comments of users which will be noted routinely.

KF coordinator:

PRO 81/59

Project:

Training programme for the mentally handicapped.

Starting date:

January 1982.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£12,000.

Project leader:

R. Sang, Coordinator,

Advocacy Alliance, 16 Chenies Street, London WC1.

Project officer:

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

To finance the training of volunteer "advocates" for mentally handicapped people over a two year

period.

Methodology:

To provide training which for each trainee will last for about two years. The training will be prepared by a one day conference and will include a probationary training period of three months. After probationary training, the remaining training will consist of three one day conferences/seminars, and eighteen months evening sessions each of two

hours.

Presentation of results:

A training guide for advocacy will be produced.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

PRO 82/4(a)

Development of a model preventive psychiatry Project:

service.

Starting date: 1982.

Planned duration: 3 years.

Funds allocated:

£38,999.

Project leader:

Dr C M Parkes,

Senior Lecturer in Psychiatry, Department of Psychiatry, The London Hospital, Whitechapel, London El.

Project officer:

Dr Gillian Waldron, Lecturer in Psychiatry, (address as above).

Project base:

The London Hospital.

Objectives:

To develop the contribution of voluntary and community resources to a borough-wide approach to preventive psychiatry in the London Borough of

Tower Hamlets.

Methodology:

To appoint a Community Resources Development Officer to carry out a survey of all voluntary agencies and activities in the area which offer help to people at risk.

To identify deficiencies and gaps in the provision of services.

To prepare a preventive psychiatry plan for the

Borough.

Examples of "areas of service" that are possible,

Unsupported mothers. Those suffering psychological effects of serious illness, disablement or bereavement. Those who are

redundant, or have retired.

Presentation of results:

A report to the King's Fund and papers in professional journals.

Evaluation criteria:

Monitoring various indices of mental health. Phased introduction of new services in one half of the Borough so that comparisons can be made

between the two halves.

KF coordinator:

PRO 82/11

Project:

A media retrieval service for nurse teachers.

Starting date:

March 1982.

Planned duration:

6 months.

Funds allocated:

Additional £2,500.

Project leader:

S N Marson,

Director NHS Learning Resources Unit,

Sheffield City Polytechnic.

Project officer:

Jean Heath, Information Officer, NHS Learning Resources Unit.

Project base:

Sheffield City Polytechnic, 55 Broomgrove Road,

Sheffield S10 2NA.

Objectives:

To extend existing project by six months to enable discussion on permanent financing to take place.

Methodology:

Visits are being made to similar services in medical fields. Cards are being designed and printed for indexing media. Distributors are being identified. A filing system is being chosen for subject headings

of approximately 9,000 times.

Presentation of results:

Report in professional grounds.

Report in unit newsletter - "feedback".

Report to all directors of nurse education in UK.

Evaluation criteria:

The number of people using the service.

A questionnaire will be designed after the first year of full operation to identify numbers and some attempt will be made to determine the value of

the service.

KF coordinator:

Miss H O Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund

Centre.

Project:

The contribution of community service volunteers to patients in long stay hospitals.

Starting date:

February 1982.

Planned duration:

9 months.

Funds allocated:

£2,810.

Project leader:

Mrs. A Kelmanson,

Volunteer Programmes Manager, Community Service Volunteers, 237 Pentonville Road,

London N1 9NJ.

Project officer:

Ms Jill Pitkeathley,

Coordinator of Voluntary Services, West Berkshire Health District.

Project base:

West Berkshire Health District.

Objectives:

- To assess the contribution of full time voluntary (CSVs) to hospitals for mentally handicapped, mentally ill and elderly people.
- To assess each hospital's objectives in having CSVs and to measure or describe how far these objectives are realistic and have been achieved.
- 3 To assess the CSV's expectations and how far those are realistic and being met.
- 4 To assess the extent of staff understanding of CSVs.
- 5 To inform Community Service Volunteers how to place CSVs so that they have the most beneficial effect.

Methodology:

To select two hospitals in each of the following types:

- mental handicap
- psychiatric
- the elderly
- resettlement

at all of which CSVs work.

Using these samples to analyse the work of CSVs by questionnaires and visits.

Presentation of results:

The production of a report and a manual of good practice seminars and workshops to discuss the

conclusions of the report.

Evaluation criteria:

To point to activities and services which CSVs provide and which would not otherwise have

existed.

KF coordinator:

Project:

A study of medical advisory machinery in the National Health Service.

Starting date:

October 1981. (project already started)

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

£7,500.

Project leader:

Dr J R Butler, Assistant Director,

Health Services Research Unit,

University of Kent,

Canterbury.

Project officer:

Mr D A Perkins, Research Associate,

Health Services Research Unit.

(address as above)

Project base:

Health Services Research Unit.

Objectives:

- To examine the structure, objectives (formal and informal) activity and output of the medical advisory machinery at each level of the NHS.
- To describe the structure before the after 1982.
- 3 To identify factors associated with interauthority variations.
- To provide information and to make suggestions for modifying the structures to enhance their efficiency.

Methodology:

Note - The King's Fund grant is a contribution towards the cost of this large project.

Presentation of results:

A preliminary report will first be issues. A final report will be produced for sponsors. Papers will be submitted to professional journals.

Evaluation criteria:

Consistency of the four research methods to be

The criteria of the participants' experience of the study.

The professional acceptability of the suggestions made.

KF coordinator:

D M Hands, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

PRO 82/28

Project:

The NHS and youth employment.

Starting date:

July 1982.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£4,500.

Project leader:

N Bosanquet,

Lecturer in Economics,

Department of Social Sciences and Humanities,

The City University, Northampton Square,

London EC1.

Project officer:

Project base:

The City University.

Objectives:

- To produce information about the current practices of the NHS in the recruitment and training of young employees.
- To set out the options for management in terms of policy and their implications both for efficiency and for equity.
- To contribute to discussion of the role of the NHS as a large employer in the wider problems facing the British labour market.

Methodology:

The recruitment and training of young people other than doctors, nurses and those in the paramedical professions will be examined.

Information on current practices of recruitment and training will be sought.

Methods of decision-making as between different options for training will be looked at.

The influence of trade unions will be included.

Six districts, some in London, will be examined in detail.

Presentation of results:

Probably a short book will be prepared for publication. Conferences and workshops will be held at the King's Fund Centre.

Evaluation criteria:

The project findings, and any publication will be judged on its merits by professionals in the NHS.

KF coordinator:

PRO 82/29

Project:

The evaluation of an experimental continuing education programme for remedial therapists.

Starting date:

August 1982.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£18,000.

Project leader:

Dr D J Pereira Gray, Dr M S Hall, Department of General Practice, Postgraduate Medical Institute, University of Exeter.

Project officer:

Ms R E A Goble,

Department of General Practice, Postgraduate Medical Institute,

University of Exeter.

Project base:

Department of General Practice,

University of Exeter.

Objectives:

This is a two year extension to an existing project begun in January 1980 (rep. PRO 79/62: 80/5:

81/38).

The original objective stands, namely to provide a course the prospective evaluation of which might provide a foundation for a national framework of continuing education for the remedial professions.

In addition, during this two-year extension, NHS funds will be sought from the participating districts with the aim of ensuring that the scheme is financially self-supporting at the end of the period.

Methodology:

The following will be organised:

Individual tutorials Seminars

Teaching in small groups Practical clinical conferences

Clinical demonstrations and case analysis Project work related to clinical practice Interdisciplinary topic study days

Roleplay

Audio/visual facilities.

Presentation of results:

Articles (some already published) in professional journals. The publication of a national discussion document on the role and content of remedial therapy. Conference to be held in March 1983. Publication of report - summer 1983. Final report

- September 1984.

Evaluation criteria:

Evaluation will be by multiple choice questions, multiple essay questions, attitude inventories. These will be applied pre-course, during the course and post-course.

KF coordinator:

Miss H O Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

Project:

Implementing change in diagnostic radiology.

Starting date:

October 1983.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£34,000.

Project leader:

Professor C J Roberts,

Professor of Epidemiology and Community,

Welsh National School of Medicine,

Heath Park, Cardiff.

Project officer:

Dr F G R Fowkes, Senior Lecturer,

Welsh National School of Medicine.

Project base:

Welsh National School of Medicine.

Objectives:

- To introduce agreed guidelines for preoperative chest radiology (POCR).
- To compare the effect on the level of ordering POCRs and compliance with guidelines using three alternative methods of implementing those guidelines.
- To make recommendations about implementing radiological guidelines national, initially only for POCR but later for other procedures.

Methodology:

The study will take place in the University Hospital of Wales and three other hospitals.

Preliminary studies will first be made of the feasibility of the guidelines, their approval by clinicians and radiologists in the four hospitals, and of the baseline used by POCR.

The main study will encourage adherence to the guidelines by three different methods tested alongside a control group.

A post implementation study will look at those clinicians having a low compliance rate with guidelines, using a standard questionnaire to determine reasons for non-compliance.

Presentation of results:

Report in professional journals and to the King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria:

The ultimate criterion will be the extent to which

guidelines are accepted.

The object of the study is to develop these and to

measure the process against controls.

KF coordinator:

PRO 82/35

Project:

Minimum support groups in epilepsy centres.

Starting date:

1 August 1982.

Planned duration:

3 months.

Funds allocated:

£3,525.

Project leader:

J D Morgan,

Lecturer in Social Adminstration,

University of Birmingham.

Project officer:

Project base:

Department of Social Administration, University of Birmingham.

Objectives:

- To compile a review of the support facilities at the David Lewis Centre, Birmingham with special reference to benefits to staff, costs and the use of staff.
- To help develop a system to monitor the use of present facilities.
- To identify and compile summary reviews of developments in other epilepsy centres.
- To encourage the development of minimum support facilities at other centres.

Methodology:

The work will mainly be achieved by interviews with staff and residents.

Visits of not less than a day to each other centre will be undertaken.

Seminars will be held to discuss drafts of reports.

Presentation of results:

Report to the General Committee of the David Lewis Centre. Papers in professional journals.

Evaluation criteria:

Enquiries will be made in the spring and autumn of 1983 as to:

- 1 Any increase in numbers of residents where there are minimum support units.
- 2 Changes in care practices.
- 3 Any new schemes introduced.
- 4 Any retraining of staff.

KF coordinator:

PRO 82/37

Project:

Inequalities in health implications for families with under fives.

Starting date:

July 1982.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£8,062.

Project leader:

Elsa Dicks,

Voluntary Organisations Liaison Council for Under

Fives (VOLCUF).

Project officer:

Project base:

Thomas Coram Foundation, 40 Brunswick Square, London WC1N 1AZ.

Objectives:

To examine the realities of inequalities in health for families with under fives, and the reasons for them.

To pinpoint ways in which voluntary organisations and community groups can improve the situation.

3 To disseminate information about good practices.

To initiate discussion with key people in voluntary organisations responsible for policy, training and information.

Methodology:

1 To hold a series of regional and national conferences starting in November 1982.

2 To publish a report in the autumn of 1983.

Presentation of results:

Publication of a report to the King's Fund and for general distribution.

Evaluation criteria:

Comments from participants and speakers at conferences.

Evaluation by questionnaire following each conference.

Reports appearing in professional journals.

KF coordinator:

D M Hands, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

PRO 82/41(c)

Project:

Regional planning for the development of services

to mentally handicapped people.

Starting date:

Spring 1983.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£13,587.

Project leader:

Alison Wertheimer,

Director.

Campaign for Mentally Handicapped People,

16 Fitzroy Square,

London W.1.

Project officer:

As above.

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

To update and develop monitoring and research work in respect of regional planning for the needs

of the mentally handicapped.

Methodology:

An analysis of all current regional strategic plans as they relate to the mentally handicapped. Interviews with relevant regional health authority staff. Two visits will be paid to each region.

Presentation

of results:

A report will be published by the Campaign for Mentally Handicapped People. Articles will be sent to professional journals. A conference on the

findings will be held.

Evaluation criteria:

Not relevant. The project is itself an evaluation

of regional planning.

KF coordinator:

PRO 82/47

Project:

A study of geriatric rehabilitation and long term

care

Starting date:

October 1982.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£3,360.

Project leader:

Professor J C Brocklehurst, Professor of Geriatric Medicine, University of Manchester.

Project officer:

Dr K Andrews,

Consultant Geriatrician,

University Hospital of South Manchester,

Nell Lane,

Manchester M20 8LR.

Project base:

University Hospital of South Manchester.

Objectives:

To describe the extent to which departments of geriatric medicine are involved in

rehabilitation long term care.

To describe variations in the practice of geriatric rehabilitation with particular reference to

beds
wards
staffing patterns
types of patients
sources of admission
discharge arrangements.

To describe other facilities such as stroke units, orthopaedic geriatric units, young disabled units, etc.

Methodology:

A questionnaire will be sent to all consultant geriatricians (approx. 400) to obtain basic information.

A second more detailed questionnaire to be sent to those who agree to answer one.

Visits to about 30 geriatric departments selected on a geographically representational basis.

Sampling 1 in 5 of all inpatients and interviews with staff will be undertaken.

Presentation of results:

A book will be produced.

Evaluation criteria:

Not relevant as this is a descriptive study.

KF coordinator:

PRO 82/49

Project:

A review of secure provision for mentally ill and mentally handicapped people in England and Wales.

Starting date:

January 1983.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£18,075.

Project leader:

Larry Gostin,

Centre for Criminological Research,

University of Oxford.

Project officer:

As above.

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

To obtain information about the use of secure provision for mentally ill and handicapped people.

To examine legislation and services to see if they

meet existing needs.

To suggest a future structure for the care and detention of seriously mentally disordered people.

Methodology:

Statistical information will be taken from DHSS and Home Office statistics and other published

sources.

Interviews will be sought with regional medical

officers and regional administrators.

Prison interviews will be held with prison governors

and members of boards of visitors.

A full literature review will be undertaken.

Presentation of results:

A project report will be produced.

A conference will be held on the results of the

project.

A book will be published.

Evaluation criteria:

Feedback information will be given by the National Association for Mental Health (MIND) and the Oxford University Centre for Criminological

Research.

KF coordinator:

LPE 80/6b

Project:

Community Health in Stockwell

Starting date:

October 1980.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£10,500.

Project leader:

David Harker,

Director,

Lady Margaret Hall Settlement.

Project officer:

Pat Bould, Community Worker.

Project base:

Lady Margaret Hall Settlement, London SW9.

Objectives:

- To encourage people to take a more active interest in their own health, to help to increase their knowledge and confidence to participate more fully in their own health care.
- To act as a source of information on local health services to help residents make the best use of services in the district.
- To encourage contact on a group or individual basis between local people with similar health concerns, to promote discussion, exchange of information and mutual support.
- To effect changes in the delivery of health care.
- To effect changes in factors contributing to ill health.

Methodology:

A community worker will undertake the following local project:

- Working with a community health centre interest group on the development of the Mawbey Borough Health Centre by participating in the design, management and use of the centre.
- To develop an approach to encourage the use of preventive services (particularly maternity services) in an area renowned for its low uptake of services.

3 To develop mutual support groups in partnership with health professionals.

Presentation of results:

Reports. Information to LVSC's health networks.

Evaluation criteria:

Continuing evaluation by the steering group of the project. Each project undertaken will be evaluated by the community worker. This will consist of a description of the process of the development of the project and an assessment of whether the objectives, as originally set out, have been met in each particular area of work.

KF coordinator:

Jane Hughes, Project Officer, King's Fund Centre.

LPE 80/17a

Project:

A survey of primary care in London.

Starting date:

November 1980.

Planned duration:

6 months.

Funds allocated:

£2,500.

Project leader:

Dr D J Pereira Gray,

Hon. Editor,

Royal College of General Practitioners,

London SW7.

Project officer:

As above.

Project base:

Objectives:

To publish as an occasional paper of the Royal College of General Practitioners the survey of primary care in London carried out by a working party of the RCGP under the chairmanship of

Dr Brian Jarman.

Methodology:

Presentation

of results:

Occasional Paper 16 of the Royal College of General Practitioners. Published May 1981.

Evaluation criteria:

KF coordinator:

LPE 80/20

Project:

London Community Health Resource Development.

Starting date:

April 1981.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£31,000.

Project leader:

Dr Graham Lomas, General Secretary,

London Voluntary Services Council,

68 Chalton Street, London NW1.

Project officer:

Helen Rosenthal and Lewis Donnelly, London Community Work Service.

Project base:

London Community Work Service.

Objectives:

To support and generate community initiatives on health issues in London, particularly the inner city.

Methodology:

To develop and extend the community work service on health with community groups, voluntary

organisations and health professionals;

To develop a London Community Health Newsletter;

To provide a forum for furthering debates on issues such as the London Primary Care Working Group, the Black Report on 'Inequalities in Health'.

Presentation of results:

Report.

Evaluation criteria:

Noting the pattern of demand for information; noting relevant developments among community groups and statutory authorities; noting new projects and activities; noting attendance at meetings, training sessions and evaluating these.

KF coordinator:

Pat Gordon, Project Officer, King's Fund Centre.

LPE 80/22

Project:

Survey of accident and emergency attendances.

Starting date:

January 1981.

Planned duration:

3 months.

Funds allocated:

£9,000.

Project leader:

Dr Richard Farmer,

Senior Lecturer in Community Medicine, Department of Community Medicine, Westminster Hospital Medical School.

Project officer:

Project base:

Westminster Hospital Medical School

Objectives:

- To determine the extent to which patients use A & E departments as an alternative to contacting their GP.
- 2 To find out why this happens.
- 3 To estimate the extent of use of A & E departments by people not registered with GPs or registered with GPs outside the area.
- 4 To see whether the pattern of use of A & E departments differs within London.

Methodology:

Survey of patients attending a sample of six accident and emergency departments in London. All patients attending each department over a period of a week were interviewed to provide detailed information about the reasons for coming to the A & E department, whether they had previously attempted to contact their GP, etc.

Presentation of results:

Data to be provided to the London Health Planning Consortium Primary Health Care Study Group for their investigation into Primary Health Care in Inner London. Also more generally available report of the study.

KF coordinator:

LPE 80/23

Project:

The Brecknock community and mental health

project.

Starting date:

August 1981.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£10,000.

Project leader:

Dr P T Quinn.

Project officer:

Tavistock Institute of Human Relations.

Project base:

Tavistock Institute of Human Relations.

Objectives:

To evaluate the Brecknock project, a preventive mental health project, and identify ways of using the experience of this project in the development of other low-cost community mental health

initiatives in urban settings.

Methodology:

Analysis of projects impact on users:

Small sample survey of users and agencies; compilation of case histories of users' involvement with the project.

Analysis of 'Brecknock model':

Description of how project operates and interrelationships with community and statutory Workshops with those working on the agencies. project/participant observation.

Dissemination and development:

Provision of information; consultation for agencies and professionals in mental health; action research to replicate and develop the project's model.

Presentation of results:

Articles, seminars, workshops and published reports.

Evaluation criteria:

- The extent to which the Brecknock project achieves its stated aims in relation to mental health intervention.
- 2 Subjective experience of users.
- Quantitative measures of use.
- Behavioural self-report what users say about their behaviour.

5 Agency report - what agencies and professionals say about the project.

KF coordinator:

Jane Hughes, Project Officer, King's Fund Centre.

LPE 81/2

Project:

A comparative study of the need for health care.

Starting date:

October 1981.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£13,594.

Project leader:

Professor D M Smith, Professor of Geography, Queen Mary College.

Project officer:

Project base:

Department of Geography, Queen Mary College, University of London.

Objectives:

- To identify and compare the extent of illness of disability experienced by the population as they themselves report it.
- To find out and compare how the individuals concerned reacted with respect to seeking care (or otherwise) from their GPs and the form of utilisation of hospital facilities.

Methodology:

An interview survey of 250 households in Tower Hamlets and 250 in Redbridge. To compare use of services using health section of 1977 GHS. Characteristics of the populations will be examined and comparisons will also be made between groups expected to generate most need for health care, e.g. the elderly and the poor.

Presentation of results:

Report in journals; working papers.

Evaluation criteria:

KF coordinator:

Jane Hughes, Project Officer, King's Fund Centre.

LPE 81/7(d)

Project:

Development of primary care in Thamesmead.

Starting date:

September 1981.

Planned duration:

18 months.

Funds allocated:

£5,041.

Project leader:

Dr Donald G Craig,

Senior Lecturer,
Department of General Practice, Guy's Hospital Medical School.

Project officer:

Kenneth Low,

Management Consultant.

Project base:

Gallions Reach Health Centre,

Titmuss Avenue, Thamesmead, London SE28.

Objectives:

- To consider management problems and develop management skills in a democratic team.
- To elucidate how the barriers of age, sex, professional mores and differing pace of work affect cooperation between team members.
- To introduce and develop the concepts of self awareness and self monitoring inpatient care.
- To develop formal and informal structure of support inside the team.
- skills introduce counselling to nonprofessional team members.
- To increase commitment to team objectives and ways of working.

Methodology:

Observation and interviews by consultant who will subsequently act as group facilitator and organiser of 'group events'.

Presentation of results:

in Journal of Medical Education. Development of educational package for similar studies.

Evaluation criteria:

Continuing evaluation of attitudes of team members - examination of attitude change in relation to personal objectives elucidated at outset of project. 'Outcome' indicators of more effective teamwork - consultation rates, referral rates, waiting periods, frequency of attendance, protocol, conformity, reduction in value of prescriptions.

KF coordinator:

Jane Hughes, Project Officer, King's Fund Centre.

LPE 81/15

Project:

Frail elderly - collaboration in community care.

Starting date:

April 1982.

Planned duration:

18 months.

Funds allocated:

£20.000.

Project leader:

Steering committee composed of representatives of various agencies.

Project officer:

Tim Dartington,

Coordinator,

Collaboration in community care project.

Project base:

London Voluntary Service Council.

Objectives:

- To encourage improvements in collaboration among statutory and voluntary agencies in ways which take full account of the perspectives of clients and the nature of informal contributions to care;
- To provide advice and support to workers in a limited number of localities where multiagency - professional efforts are being made to tackle problems in the delivery of heatlh and welfare services; and especially
- To use the work as a means of identifying good practices in collaboration and the conditions necessary for such practices to be implemented.

Methodology:

Methods to be adopted include:

- drawing on the resource offered by an existing action research project in Tower Hamlets where Age Concern and NHS stafff are collaborating in establishing a "model" community psychogeriatric support service;
- offering through an independent catalytic and brokerage role, support to local networks of people actively concerned to tackle existing problems in service provision for the frail elderly;
- arranging workshops to encourage comparison between different local approaches and distillation of recommendations arising from sharing experiences on important issues;

 contributing to the identification and training of people able to act as continuing carriers of this inter-agency brokerage function in the restructured health and welfare services.

Presentation of results:

Reports and papers. Conferences/workshops.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

LPE 81/16

Project:

Subregional resource allocation.

Starting date:

October 1981.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£20,000.

Project leader:

Professor J Perrin,

Centre for Industrial, Economic & **Business**

Research.

University of Warwick.

Project officer:

Project base:

University of Warwick/South West Thames RHA.

Objectives:

To study key problems relating to subregional resource allocation, to quantify and evaluate the importance of such problems as fully as possible and to derive findings and guidance of relevance to the best practicable allocation and use of health

service resources.

Methodology:

First stage of the project:

Identifying and evaluating how resource allocation decisions are made by interviews with staff in South West Thames RHA. They will also be asked how existing methods could be improved. Review

of literature on resource allocation.

Second stage of the research will focus on problems and case studies of a well provided and a poorly provided district will be undertaken. Certain specialties within these districts will be

selected for special study.

Presentation of results:

Reports, papers, computer models.

Evaluation criteria:

KF coordinator:

Jane Hughes, Project Officer, King's Fund Centre.

LPE 81/17

Project:

General practice in inner cities.

Starting date:

Planned duration:

Funds allocated:

£1,250.

Project leader:

Project officer:

Project base:

Objectives:

Funds provided to the Royal College of General Practitioners for publication of a report by **Dr K J Bolden.**

K J Bolden. <u>Inner Cities</u>. Occasional Paper 19, Royal College of General Practitioners, London, 1981.

Methodology:

Presentation of results:

Evaluation criteria:

KF coordinator:

LPE 81/33

Project:

COPE - Information officer.

Starting date:

January 1982.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£7,800.

Project leader:

Mary Willis,

General Secretary,

COPE.

Project officer:

Elizabeth Gromyko, Information Officer,

COPE.

Project base:

COPE,

68 Chalton Street, London NW1.

Objectives:

To develop an information service and training material for non-professional group and play leaders working in small local groups concerned with health education and preventive health care.

To reinforce the creation of an informal network of the group workers thereby facilitating the development of standards of practice agreed and accepted by peers.

To develop links between formal sources of information and training material and the informal use of such information and material.

Methodology:

The information officer will work with the London fieldwork officer and group workers in pioneering and developing:

- a newsletter
- training material

The information officer will liaise with formal sources of information and training material (whether commercial or government sponsored), other COPE staff and group workers. The officer will provide the workers with information and material that can be used in the groups and the formal sources with consumer feedback.

Presentation of results:

Evaluation criteria:

KF coordinator:

LPE 81/45

Project:

Evaluation of a two year trial of a GP community hospital in an inner city district.

Starting date:

January 1982.

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

£30,000.

Project leader:

Dr William Kearns, District Medical Officer, Paddington DHA.

Project officer:

Kate Murray-Sykes, Research Fellow, Paddington DHA.

Project base:

Department of Community Medicine, 11 South Wharf Road, London W2.

Objectives:

- To describe how the GPCH works from the standpoint of the individuals participating in it.
- To describe the pattern of demand for and use of GPCH beds.
- 3 To describe the work undertaken by GPs in the GPCH.
- 4 To obtain some measure of GP satisfaction.
- 6 To monitor patients' attitudes to the GPCH.
- 7 To investigate possible implication for acute hospital services.

Methodology:

Collection of routine statistics from the GP Community Hospital and special surveys, using both questionnaires and interviews, of hospital staff, participating GPs, patients and their relatives. Observation of activities in the GPCH and monitoring of all decisions which affect the running of the hospital.

Presentation of results:

Report of the evaluation study for local use and publication. Reports in professional journals.

Evaluation criteria:

Assessment of the evaluation study will be mainly by the researchers themselves and the evaluation steering group. Comments and criticism of the study and the way in which it was conducted will be invited from staff taking part in the trial and managers of services in the district.

KF coordinator:

LPE 81/46

Medical

Project:

Taking stock of general practice premises.

Starting date:

April 1982.

Planned duration:

18 months.

Funds allocated:

£34,500.

Project leader:

Dr R Moss,

Reader in Architecture/Director

Architecture Research Unit, North London Polytechnic.

Project officer:

Ann Noble, MARU.

Project base:

MARU.

Objectives:

- To evaluate the current provision condition and quality of a sample of general practice premises in Greater London.
- To identify and understand those areas and types of premises which are least well equipped to provide the necessary facilities and quality of accommodation from which satisfactory primary health care can be delivered.
- To generate new approaches to help overcome the problems of London's practice premises in a rapid and economical manner, paying particular attention to Inner London and to be backed up by a series of demonstration projects, which will illustrate how GPs could significantly improve their practice accommodation.

Methodology:

A brief investigation into the current state of general practice premises in central London to identify problems.

Based on the data collected from stage one, a number (approximately six) premises in need of improvement will be identified. These will form live demonstration projects (undertaken by MARU's architectural staff) to show how general practice accommodation can be improved within time and cost limits. This will be by either (a) rehabilitation of the existing practice premises or (b) demonstration of alternative methods of finding more suitable practice accommodation, where existing premises suffer from a poor location and/or a building shell beyond reasonable economic repair.

Establishment of a practical 'resource centre' to help with the improvement of general practice premises in inner London.

Presentation of results:

Reports. Demonstration projects and exhibition material. Policy recommendations to appropriate government departments. Workshops/seminars.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

LPE 81/50

Project:

Evaluation of elderly client assessment procedures.

Starting date:

October 1981.

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

£6,810.

Project leader:

Ms Christine Farrell,

Reader in Applied Social Studies,

North London Polytechnic.

Project officer:

Dianne Willcocks, Research Fellow,

North London Polytechnic.

Project base:

School of Applied Social Studies and Sociology,

North London Polytechnic,

Ladbroke House, Highbury Grove, London N5 2AD.

Objectives:

Supplementary grant to cover secretarial and other

costs for research fellow undertaking the following

study:

Aim: To evaluate elderly client assessment procedures prior to placement in NHS or local authority residential care in Camden & Islington.

Methodology:

Intensive case study with Islington SSD and Camden

& Islington AHA, involving professionals associated

with elderly clients.

Presentation of results:

Reports for host agencies, leading to action research programme. Journal articles and

conference papers.

Evaluation criteria:

An overall evaluation would take account of the

extent to which new assessment procedures might enable elderly people to exercise choice over realistic alternative arrangements and retain dignity, privacy and an acceptable level of self-

determination into old age.

KF coordinator:

LPE 82/19

Project:

Use of graphic input methods in computer based

systems in an inner city general practice.

Starting date:

June 1982.

Planned duration:

9 months.

Funds allocated:

£7,980.

Project leader:

Dr M R Salkind,

Academic Department of General Practice,

St Bartholomew's Hospital.

Project officer:

Project base:

52b Well Street,

Hackney,

London E9 7PX.

Objectives:

To achieve a system involving the total computerisation of medical records and practice administration in an inner city general practice and to identify its detailed requirements. In particular, to examine the feasibility of the transfer and

storage of data by graphic means.

Methodology:

Trial of graphic input units in a busy general practice. The practice will be converted to

working completely on a microcomputer.

Presentation

of results:

Reports to appropriate government bodies. Papers

in professional journals.

Evaluation criteria:

Subjective evaluation by users of system.

2 Accuracy of repeat prescriptions.

KF coordinator:

LPE 82/22

Project:

Haringey Greek Cypriot Women's Health Group.

Starting date:

June 1982.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£6,450.

Project leader:

Susie Constantinides,

Liaison Officer (Cypriot Community),

London Borough of Haringey.

Project officer:

Dina Kleanthous, CRO Haringey CRC.

Project base:

Cypriot Centre, Earlham Grove, London N22.

Objectives:

To investigate the needs of Greek Cypriot women in Haringey. To create a central base in order to encourage women to discuss common health problems, individually and in groups. To create appropriate audio visual aids to help Greek Cypriot women understand, in their own language, their bodies, minds, diet, etc. To encourage them to overcome cultural taboos about health, family expectations.

Methodology:

A daily surgery for individual problems and queries. Group sessions to look at common problems with outside speakers. The project group will try to train a nucleus group of women and also work closely with the voluntary Cypriot women's groups to reach women who are isolated in their own community. Education aids in Greek will be developed from straightforward translation of existing literature, adaptation of literature and production of audio visual aids.

Presentation of results:

Written report.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

LPE 82/31

Project:

Identification of underprivileged areas.

Starting date:

September 1982.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£30,000.

Project leader:

Dr B Jarman,

Department of General Practice, St Mary's Hospital Medical School.

Project officer:

Ms Doreen Irving,

London School of Economics,

Department of Social Administration.

Project base:

Lisson Grove Health Centre, London School of Economics.

Objectives:

To identify geographically those areas in the United Kingdom where it is thought that there is a much greater than average need for general practitioner services. The ultimate objective is for primary care services to be improved in these areas by methods such as those suggested in the Acheson Report.

Methodology:

The plan is to use 1981 census data relating to the UK population on an Enumeration District (ED) basis. Selected variables would be scaled and weighted in various ways. The first way would be based on the results of a questionnaire sent to a random selection of UK general practitioners asking them to score a list of census variables according to the degree to which they increase their work load or pressure on their services when present in their area. The other methods of weighting would be based on the work of others relating to deprived areas and the need for social and medical care services (Valerie Imber, Sally Holterman, Rate Support Grant, Educational Priority Areas etc.). Maps of enumeration districts and tables of ED scores would be sent to FPCs for comment.

Presentation of results:

Publication by DHSS/GMSC. Articles for professional journals.

Evaluation criteria:

The comments of all the FPCs in the UK would be one method of evaluation. A further test of the aims and objectives would be if the method were accepted as a means of redistribution of primary care resources which is generally acceptable and effective.

KF coordinator:

LPE 82/33

Project:

Bethnal Green Community Health Network.

Starting date:

June 1982.

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

£12,500.

Project leader:

David Clarke, Director, Oxford House, Bethnal Green.

Project officer:

Christine Smith, Community Worker,

Bethnal Green Community Health Network.

Project base:

Oxford House, Bethnal Green.

Objectives:

- 1 Assist individuals and groups to:
 - i) make fuller use of existing local health provision;
 - explore ways to reduce a sense of dependency, real or imagined, on existing, and at times seemingly inadequate provision;
 - iii) articulate ways in which they feel existing provision might realistically be improved.
- Develop, within the context of everyday inner city activity, ways to broaden understanding of an involvement in matters affecting, or likely to affect, the health of both the individual and the area.
- Focus 1 and 2 above on establishing, maintaining and furthering such understanding and involvement through use of and relationships with such structures as the Community Health Council, the Health Education Council and the Community Organisations Forum of Tower Hamlets (the umbrella of all voluntary organisations in the borough).

Methodology:

Working with local community groups and organisations in a variety of ways, including

- holding 'health days'
- encouragement of simple forms of preventative care

- discussions about health & health care
- production of simple information sheets and a health directory.

Presentation of results:

Written review, but other ways of presenting information, etc. about the project will be sought.

Evaluation criteria:

To be developed by monitoring group of professionals.

KF coordinator:

KING'S FUND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

ED 77/30(i)

Project:

King's Fund corporate management programme.

Starting date:

October 1980.

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

Development costs: April 1980 - September 1981

inclusive: £55,000.

Project leader:

Maureen Dixon, Associate Director, King's Fund

College.

Project officer:

Alison de Metz, Project Coordinator, King's Fund

College.

Project base:

King's Fund College.

Objectives:

To implement the recommendations of the Thwaites Report (The Education and Training of Senior Managers in the NHS) with regard to the provision of new management development opportunities for those in top posts in the NHS, this to be achieved through the development and provision of a multidisciplinary corporate management programme of approximately six weeks in length.

The overall aim of the programme will be to improve the effectiveness of top managers in the NHS. Its distinctive qualities will be the emphasis on corporate and strategic aspects of health services management, its multi-disciplinary nature and the opportunity for choice within the curriculum to meet the different needs of the professions involved. More detailed objectives will be developed during the development of the programme which will be launched in October 1981.

Methodology:

The period October 1980 to September 1981 will be devoted to developing the programme - defining the clientele, developing curriculum, identifying teachers and tutors etc. At least three approaches will be used during this developmental period.

- a survey of the clientele of the programme, to be carried out by postal questionnaire early in 1981, to establish training needs and preferred format for the programme
- a series of workshops, initially for the major professional groups involved, to be held at the King's Fund Centre and College

 visits to and interviews with individuals in health authorities (members and staff), universities, colleges and training centres, the DHSS and other relevant organisations.

Presentation of results:

The following reports and analyses will be produced:

- a report on the findings of the survey
- reports on the workshops
- the programme materials
- on-going and final evaluation reports.

Evaluation criteria:

To be developed but are likely to be concerned with both process and outcomes.

KF coordinator:

Maureen Dixon

KING'S FUND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

ED 77/30(ii)

Project:

Study Grants, Health Services Management Centre Birmingham (Fellowships for Senior Managers to Study Projects Jointly with Academics).

Starting date:

1 October 1979.

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

£27,500 (1980); £30,000 (1981); £22,000 (1982).

Project leader:

Dr D K Williams,

Director,

Health Services Management Centre,

Birmingham.

Project officer:

Stuart Haywood, King's Fund College, King's Fund Fellow, seconded to HSMC, Birmingham.

Project base:

Health Services Management Centre, Birmingham.

Objectives:

To provide:

- 1 a major, direct, personal developmental for the Fellows, which will
- 2 have a considerable impact upon the work of the HSMC and the King's Fund College, whose publication will
- 3 generally enhance the quality of health services management.

Methodology:

In essence the fellowship scheme establishes a steering committee charged with initiating studies of contemporary NHS policy issues. The studies would be conducted by senior and very experienced NHS managers (from all major professions) and education working jointly and would primarily seek to facilitate personal development through problem solving exercises. The period of secondment would probably be quite short (3 months or so). Three criteria to guide the choice of study areas would be:

- Studies that enhance the effectiveness of senior management in the NHS, the Service being viewed as a major and integral part of British community government.
- 2 Activities that require a university involvement and links with local government, medical, education.
- 3 Activities that the DHSS and NHS would find it difficult to support financially in the near future.

Presentation of results:

a) reports of practical assistance to policy makers.

b) first class training material.

Both to be distributed as widely as possible.

Evaluation criteria:

Towards the end of the three year period, evaluation would be based on the successful conclusion and acceptance of the studies.

KF coordinator:

T C Evans, Director, King's Fund College.

CEN 77/17

Project:

Sickness in society.

Starting date:

November 1977.

Planned duration:

A series of four lectures annually.

Funds allocated:

£1,100.

Project leader:

Reverend Dr Douglas Pett,

Hospital Chaplain, St Mary's Hospital,

Praed Street, London W2.

Project officer:

Project base:

St Mary's Hospital; address above.

Objectives:

To hold annually a series of three or four lectures for hospital chaplains and all workers in hospital on a wide range of sociological and ethical subjects.

Methodology:

The lectures are planned by Dr Pett who invites

speakers known to him.

Presentation of

results:

Consideration is being given to the publication of

some or all of the lectures.

Evaluation criteria:

Continuing attendance at the lectures.

KF coordinator:

CEN 78/11

Project:

An enquiry into the role and usage of post graduate medical library facilities by general practitioners.

Starting date:

January 1978.

Planned duration:

9 - 12 months.

Funds allocated:

£280.

Project leader:

Project officer:

Dr H K Ford, 4 Poplar Avenue, Heacham, King's Lynn, Norfolk.

Project base:

Address above.

Objectives:

- 1 To improve the provision of medical information to general practitioners.
- 2 To quantify GP use of postgraduate medical library facilities in East Anglia.
- 3 To change existing attitudes and the use of library facilities.

Methodology:

- To circulate questionnaires to GPs in a health district to ascertain the extent they use library facilities and their attitudes.
- To keep records of information sought by GPs and thus build up a profile of local needs.

Presentation of

results:

Publication in a professional journal.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

MAN(C)4855/3

Project:

Patient participation in general practice.

Starting date:

January 1982.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£300.

Project leader:

Mrs Pat Turton,

Chairman,

Whiteladies Health Centre.

Project officer:

Project base:

Whiteladies Health Centre,

Whatley Road,

Clifton, Bristol.

Objectives:

To contact patients within the Health Centre practice, at risk from cervical cancer or arterial disease and so enable them to attend talks on

these conditions.

Methodology:

Postal circulation to 3364 patients.

Presentation of

results:

Evaluation criteria:

KF Coordinator:

MAN(C)4855/4

Project:

Hackney psychiatric day hospital video tape.

Starting date:

January 1982.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£500.

Project leader:

Ms Elizabeth Arnott,

Head Occupational Therapist,

Hackney Hospital.

Project officer:

Ms Gabriella Stomm,

Art Therapist, Hackney Hospital.

Project base:

Hackney Hospital,

Homerton High Street,

London E9 6BE.

Objectives:

To produce a video film of the work of the

Hackney Psychiatric Day Hospital.

To inform referring agencies about the services

available.

To teach the lay public about mental illness.

Methodology:

Locational filming throughout the hospital followed

by careful editing of the tapes thus produced.

Presentation of

results:

Video tape film.

Evaluation criteria:

Take up and use of finished video tape.

KF Coordinator:

MAN(C)4897/1

Project:

Register of speech clubs.

Starting date:

January 1982.

Planned duration:

1 year.

Funds allocated:

£500.

Project leader:

Ms Margaret Brandt, Executive Officer,

Action for Dysphasic Adults.

Project officer:

Project base:

Action for Dysphsic Adults,

Northcote House, 37a Royal Street, London SE1.

Objectives:

To compile a comprehensive national register of all

clubs/groups offering continuing speech therapy.

Methodology:

By postal means to obtain information from

existing clubs. To obtain information from district

therapists.

 ${\bf Presentation}$

of results:

Publication of new register.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

MAN(C)4897/2

Project:

Health visiting practices in an inner city area as they affect child health services.

Starting date:

March 1982.

Planned duration:

3 years.

Funds allocated:

£250.

Project leader:

Ms Alison While,

Lecturer in Nursing Studies,

Chelsea College,

London.

Project officer:

Project base:

Chelsea College, Manresa Road, London SW3 6LX.

Objectives:

To meet secretarial and reprographic costs of a major study financed separately. This study will aim to provide a descriptive analysis of the uptake of certain child health services with references to the effectiveness of the present health service provision.

Methodology:

Four components of the child health services are being studied - viz. 6 week infant assessment; 7-9 month hearing test; immunisation; 15-18 months development of assessment.

The study will be undertaken by a retrospective analysis of health visiting records.

Presentation of results:

Report to the King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

Hazel Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

MAN(C)9029/6

Project:

Filming for the elderly.

Starting date:

April 1980.

Planned duration:

Not stated.

Funds allocated:

£600.

Project leader:

Mrs Marie Richman, Liberation Films, 2 Chichele Road, London NW2 3DA.

Project officer:

As above.

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

To explore the potential of teaching Senior Citizens how to use video equipment and to make a short video tape for distribution to clubs and schools to increase understanding and break down barriers

between old and young.

Methodology:

Not stated.

Presentation of

results:

A written diary for a journal. Tape production.

Evaluation criteria:

Use of tape and evaluation of interest shown.

KF Coordinator:

Miss H O Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund

Centre.

MAN(C)9061/7

Project:

Caring spouses.

Starting date:

September 1980.

Planned duration:

3 months.

Funds allocated:

£500.

Project leader:

Mrs Judith Oliver, Project Officer,

c/o Spinal Injuries Association.

Project officer:

As above.

Project base:

Spinal Injuries Association,

5 Crowndale Road, London NW1 1TU.

Objectives:

To describe in book form the problems encountered by the spouses of tetraplegic or severely affected

poliomyelitis patients.

Methodology:

To interview between 30 and 50 such carers who

are spouses.

Presentation of

results:

Publication of book.

Evaluation criteria:

Not stated.

KF Coordinator:

Dr David Towell, Assistant Director, King's Fund

Centre.

MAN(C)9290

Project:

Childhood Deafness.

Starting date:

May 1982.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£500.

Project leader:

Mrs K M Robinson, 183 High Street, Marske by Sea,

Redcar, Cleveland.

Project officer:

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

To produce a book about her experiences as a

parent bringing up a totally deaf child.

Methodology:

By attracting notice through the media to learn of the experiences of other similarly placed parents and of others with knowledge of the problems

involved.

Presentation

of results:

Publication of a book.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

MAN(C)9290

Project:

Nursing law and ethics.

Starting date:

June 1982.

Planned duration:

1 week.

Funds allocated:

£250.

Project leader:

Ms Karen Rea, Brentwood. Essex.

Project officer:

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

To enable Ms Rea, a practising barrister and a qualified nurse to give a paper at an international seminar on nursing law and ethics held in Jerusalem in June 1982.

Methodology:

Ms Rea will present her paper and lead discussion

at this conference.

Presentation

of results:

A report of the conference, and the paper when presented, will be placed to the King's Fund Centre

library.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

Hazel Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund

Centre.

MAN(C)9290

Project: Professional and voluntary collaboration in mental

health.

Starting date: July 1982.

Planned duration: 1 week.

Funds allocated: £400.

Project leader: Mrs Edith Morgan,

GPMH Project (IHF), 67 Kentish Town Road, London NW1 8NY.

Project officer:

Project base: As above.

Objectives: To contribute towards the cost of a report of an international seminar organised by the World

international seminar organised by the World Federation of Mental Health to be held in London

in July 1982.

Methodology: The grant is towards the cost of engaging a skilled

rapporteur to the seminar.

Presentation

of results: Publication of a report of the proceedings of the

seminar.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: D Towell, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

MAN(C)9290

Project:

Tile pictures in hospitals.

Starting date:

June 1982.

Planned duration:

Not stated.

Funds allocated:

£450.

Project leader:

John Greene, OBE, FRCN,

104 Evesham Road

Cheltenham,

Glos.

Project officer:

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

To produce a comprehensive record of tile pictures in hospitals. To encourage a greater awareness in the interest and value of tile pictures. stimulate the use of tile pictures as a medium for

conversation between staff and patients.

Methodology:

To collect information by correspondence. To visit hospitals. To photograph tile pictures in situ. To complete record cards and file copies with the National Tile Museum, Ironbridge Gorge, Telford,

Salop.

Presentation

of results:

Report in appropriate journals. Report to the King's Fund Centre library. Probably exhibition at

King's Fund Centre.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

MAN(C)9310

Project:

Health service unit for young chronic sick -

architectural competition.

Starting date:

Autumn 1982.

Planned duration:

9 months.

Funds allocated:

£500.

Project leader:

Emrys Roberts,

Secretary,

South Gwent Community Health Council,

3 Emlyn Walk, Kingsway Centre,

Newport, Gwent.

Project officer:

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

To meet some of the costs involved in mounting an architectural competition for the design of a health

service unit for the younger chronic sick.

Methodology:

The competition will be held in the autumn of 1982 and several sponsors have agreed to assist in the financing of the venture. The results will be

known early in the New Year.

Presentation

of results:

Publication of the results in hospital and architectural journals. An exhibition of the entries

at the King's Fund Centre.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

MAN(C)9310

Project:

Health care assurance.

Starting date:

October 1982.

Planned duration:

2 days.

Funds allocated:

£200.

Project leader:

Dr C D Shaw,

Specialist in Community Medicine,

Cheltenham & District Health Authority,

Cheltenham.

Project officer:

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

Grant to attend conference on Quality Assurance in Medicine held in Zeist, Holland. The purpose of the conference was to share ideas and experiences of practical issues common to European countries. There were 37 participants representing eight

countries.

Methodology:

Participants were divided into groups for workshop discussions. Written material was provided and is

now placed in the King's Fund Centre library.

Presentation

of results:

A written report by Dr Shaw is available.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

MAN(C)9310

Project:

Nursing topics bibliography.

Starting date:

September 1982.

Planned duration:

1 month.

Funds allocated:

£500.

Project leader:

Ms Senga Bond,

Nurse Research,

Newcastle upon Tyne Health Authority.

Project officer:

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

To produce additional copies of an annotated bibliography incorporating selected literature on five nursing practices - e.g. temperature taking

instruction, mother/infant interaction, etc.

Methodology:

To photocopy existing copies for evaluation to

libraries.

Presentation

of results:

As above.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

Hazel Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund

Centre.

MAN(C)9335

Project:

North Southwark Bereavement Care Association.

Starting date:

January 1983.

Planned duration:

6 months.

Funds allocated:

£300.

The

Project leader:

David Belben,

Southwark

Bereavement

Care

Association,

c/o Holy Trinity Rectory,

North

Merrick Square, London SE1.

Project officer:

Project base:

As above.

Objectives:

To finance training for volunteers who are available

to support bereaved persons.

Methodology:

Training is designed for professional people such as doctors, clergy and social workers and also for those without any such background who are

available on a long term basis.

Presentation of results:

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

MAN(C)9335

Project:

Ward sister training.

Starting date:

June 1982.

Planned duration:

1 month.

Funds allocated:

£200.

Project leader:

Miss G H Wood, Tutor/preceptor, Guy's Hospital.

Project officer:

Project base:

King's Fund Centre.

Objectives:

To enable Miss Wood to extend a visit to Scandinavia where she will be studying ward sister

training.

Methodology:

By visiting hospitals and nurse training schools in Norway and Sweden. The study will be complementary to the main project - "Training Ward Sisters - experimental ward". (MAN 8748 and PRO 80/45) in which Miss Wood is participating.

Presentation

of results:

Report to the King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

Hazel Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund

Centre.

KING'S FUND RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

R&D 76/118(d)

Project:

User-related financial information system.

Starting date:

July 1976.

Planned duration:

2 years.

Funds allocated:

£14,000. This was a contributory grant; the main costs of the project were borne by the Special

Trustees of St Thomas' Hospital.

Project leader:

R J Baskin, Budget Project Manager,

St Thomas' Hospital, London SE1 7EH.

Project officer:

Project base:

St Thomas' Hospital.

Objectives:

To develop and implement a user-related financial information system in the St Thomas' Health District (Teaching).

Methodology:

The proposed system was to be based on methods described in the King's Fund publication Accounting for health, the bibliographical details of which are given below (1), and the project was to be conducted along the following lines:

- The definition of a set of output categories or function descriptions.
- The itemising of <u>broad input categories</u> by which the use of resources would be allocated.
- The definition and quantification of activity units.
- The allocation of costs to activity units.

Presentation of results:

Written reports to the steering committee, with copies to the King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated.

KF coordinator:

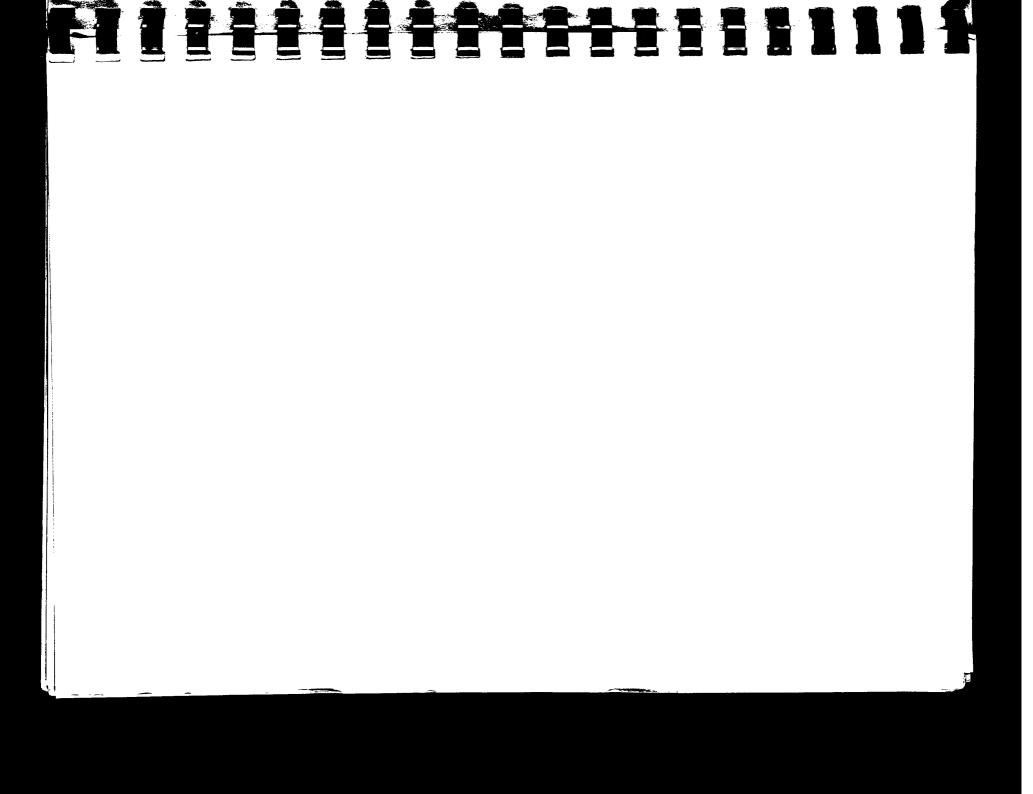
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Reference(1)

KING EDWARD'S HOSPITAL FUND FOR LONDON. Accounting for health: a report of a King's Fund Working Party on the application of economic principles to health service management. London, King Edward's Hospital Fund for London, 1973. pp.63.

See PRO 79/42

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KING'S FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Title: A family flat for the use of families with mentally

handicapped children - Toynbee Hall.

Ref: MAN 8632

Starting date: June 1977.

Short description: To provide a flat for the use of families of

children or adults who attend special nurseries,

special schools and adult training centres.

Title: A study of the work role of medical records

officers.

Ref: MAN 8636(iv)

Starting date: May 1975.

Short description: To investigate the role and function of the medical

records officer in the supervision and operation of hospital medical records systems, and the

requirements for specialist training.

Title: Development of a powered outdoor wheelchair.

Ref: MAN 8704

Starting date: April 1977.

Short description: To draw up a specification leading to the

production of a prototype vehicle.

Title: The study and application of the problem oriented

medical record Royal Free Hospital

Ref: MAN 8788

Starting date: March 1974.

Short description: To develop a system using the problem oriented

medical record (POMR) which is not 'standardised' but which can incorporate individual requirements

within an overall design common to all.

Problem oriented medical records: implementation

at Guy's Hospital.

Ref:

MAN 8808

Starting date:

April 1976.

Short description:

To identify information which could be collected on a routine basis for the continuing evaluation of medical care in hospitals, and to develop a system of feedback of this information which would be

acceptable and useful to medical staff.

Title:

Toynbee Hall Centre for the mentally handicapped.

Ref:

MAN 8814

Starting date:

May 1974.

Short description:

To assist in the setting up of an information and referral service for parents which would collate and make available information about all services for mentally handicapped people; and help to alleviate the stress felt by parents, thereby backing up local authority social workers.

Title:

An experimental one year course in remedial

therapy.

Ref:

MAN 8829

Starting date:

October 1978.

Short description:

To hold three diploma courses of one year each, designed to widen students' knowledge of practical skills an philosophies in all branches of the remedial professions, and open to members of the professions supplementary to medicine.

Title:

Fellowship for retired NHS staff.

Ref:

MAN 8935

Starting date:

September 1978.

Short description:

To help ex NHS staff to help themselves by providing the means of establishing and maintaining friendships, and assisting in overcoming loneliness

and worry.

Working papers of the Royal Commission on the

Ref:

MAN 8959

Starting date:

October 1980.

Short description:

To arrange, edit and update for publication 'The Working Papers of the Royal Commission on the These were published in the form of NHS'. pamphlets and books during 1980.

Title:

Commissioning hospital buildings.

Ref:

MAN 8974

Starting date:

January 1980.

Short description:

To review the 1975 edition of the King's Fund publication 'Commissioning Hospital Buildings' in the light of developments since reorganisation of the NHS in 1974 and to produce a new edition (published in 1981).

Title:

'For good'.

Ref:

MAN 9059

Starting date:

July 1980.

Short description:

The production of further prints of a film (16mm) concerning the day to day living of disabled people to enable a wider distribution of it to hospitals and rehabilitation units for the benefit of staff and

patients.

Title:

The language barrier.

Ref:

MAN 9102

Starting date:

May 1978.

Short description:

To prepare and produce a training package for health service professionals whose work requires them to overcome difficulties created by language problems in dealing with Asian patients and to devise methods for training people who have to teach others how to overcome problems of the lanugage barrier. A book was published by the

King's Fund in 1979.

Medical records research project, University of Nottingham. Innovations in medical records.

Ref:

MAN 9103

Starting date:

July 1974.

Short description:

To make a general study of records procedures with particular reference to innovatory systems and to produce a directory or gazetteer of projects concerned with medical records. The second edition of the gazetteer was produced in February 1981.

KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

Title: A study of patient satisfaction in general practice.

Ref: PRO 78/36

Starting date: September 1978.

Short description: To test the hypothesis that the components of

patient satisfaction are multiple and that they

interact in a complex manner.

Title: A4 size stationery for general practitioners.

Ref: PRO 78/37

Starting date: October 1978.

Short description: To enable between 30 and 40 general practices in

the UK to begin the transfer of their most heavily used clinical records to stationery of A4 size and to increase the numbers, and therefore the experience, of those who have made this change with the view later of holding conferences on the

benefits that follow.

Title: Handbook for members of health authorities.

Ref: PRO 79/4/iii

Starting date: March 1979.

Short description: To produce, in a concise and readable form, and in

a loose-leaf format, a guide for members of health authorities in the UK, on subjects which arise in connection with the running of the National Health

Service.

Title: A community care service for diabetics.

Ref: PRO 79/4/v

Starting date: February 1979.

Short description: To test the feasibility of setting-up a central

computer register of diabetic patients.

Survey of district planning teams in England.

Ref:

PRO 79/8

Starting date:

July 1979.

Short description:

To provide information which will enable districts and single-district areas to review the work of their planning teams in a wider context, to be aware of new teams, and to find out about alternative methods of planning.

Title:

Peer teaching in dental health education.

Ref:

PRO 79/17

Starting date:

February 1979.

Short description:

To assess the feasibility of using a group of children to give dental health information to their peers and to extend the range of topics which child teachers in the health club teach, for example, diet.

Title:

The application of computer indexing to the operation of an NHS pharmacy based drug information centre.

Ref:

PRO 79/26

Starting date:

1 June 1979.

Short description:

To provide a computer generated coordinate index for sources of information acquired by the drug information centre, for use in dealing with enquiries; and to provide to other UK drug information centres a microfilmed computergenerated index to the national drug information abstract which are prepared by cooperation amongst all the regional drug information centres.

Title:

Colostomy, ileostomy and urostomy - a study of the late effects of having a stoma.

Ref:

PRO 79/27

Starting date:

1 August 1979.

Short description:

To study patients at home and their relationships to family after leaving hospital: to study effect of stomatherapy and to assess those trained in the work itself.

User related financial information system.

Ref:

PRO 79/42

Starting date:

July 1979.

Short description:

To implement a system of data recording within diagnostic and para medical departments which in all instances is capable of being rearranged on a monthly basis into information to be used as a monitoring/influencing mechanism.

Title:

Asian names and NHS records.

Ref:

PRO 79/44

Starting date:

September 1979.

Short description:

To devise a general code of practice for entering all Asian names and a procedure for altering names wrongly entered in the past; and to design a training package for use by local staff, trainers and supervisors.

Title:

A guide for handicapped school leavers.

Ref:

PRO 79/45

Starting date:

August 1979.

Short description:

To prepare a guide for handicapped adolescents, their parents and teachers containing practical information on sources of financial, social, emotional and educational help for the handicapped person between the ages of fourteen and eighteen.

Title:

Establishment of a nurse based occupational health service for people at work.

Ref:

PRO 79/52(b)

Starting date:

October 1979.

Short description:

To establish a nurse based occupational health service for people at work in the vicinity of Guildford (including those employed by industry, the

hospitals and local authorities).

Women doctors, medical manpower and the NHS.

Ref:

PRO 79/57

Starting date:

October 1979.

Short description:

To review the existing state of knowledge on the subject (which will involve both a literature review and interviews), and to analyse the policy issues and options, not to make specific recommendations, but to try to sharpen up the pros and cons of alternative strategies - to point up the policy dilemmas. A project paper was produced in January 1982.

Title:

A media retrieval service for nurse teachers.

Ref:

PRO 79/61

Starting date:

1977.

Short description:

To provide up to date information on aspects of nurse training and education - e.g.

- a) Availability in this country.
- b) Cost or hire charges.
- c) Format/running time.
- d) Details or summary of content.
- e) Guidance on level of material basic or post basic.

Title:

The evaluation of an experimental continuing education programme for remedial therapists.

Ref:

PRO 79/62

Starting date:

1980.

Short description:

To provide a course, the prospective evaluation of which might provide a foundation for a national framework of continuing education for the remedial professions.

An assessment of the function of volunteer service coordinators.

Ref:

PRO 79/65

Starting date:

1980.

Short description:

To examine in depth the work of those involved in coordinating the work of volunteers in Berkshire by focusing on the functions of the individual VSC and on the network formed by the interrelationships between them, and to assess the influence they have been able to exert on the policy makers and on the quality of volunteering. Project Paper no. 29 was published in December 1982.

Title:

Establishment of a CMHERA training team.

Ref:

PRO 80/21

Starting date:

April 1980.

Short description:

To establish a team to undertake training for local and health authorities, and to develop training work for staff and consumers, including policy makers, planners, manager, "grass roots" staff, parents and

families.

Title:

Asian names.

Ref:

PRO 80/34

Starting date:

May 1980.

Short description:

To investigate Asian names in the health service in some regions of London; to provide training materials and health service personnel, and to advise Asian families on the standardised use of a naming system within the health service.

Title:

Crisis intervention.

Ref:

PRO 80/37

Starting date:

April 1980.

Short description:

To produce a training film for social workers and other health care professionals to demonstrate that admission to a psychiatric hospital for assessment is not the only available treatment for a patient. This film was produced in 1981.

Computerised general practice records in an inner city general practice.

Ref:

PRO 80/44

Starting date:

February 1980.

Short description:

To assess the usefulness of a computer-held record to health visitors, practice nurses, social workers and other members of the practice team; to investigate the practicality of using a computer to store hospital letters and other documents relating to the patient; and to evaluate the most effective method of inserting medical data into the system.

Title:

Health audit project.

Ref:

PRO 80/50

Starting date:

July 1980.

Short description:

To describe the organisational form and activities of neighbourhood based health educational projects, and to encourage a debate in the community which draws out the importance and interrelationships of personal, social and environmental factors in health

questions.

Title:

Short term residential care of mentally handicapped children - dissemination phase.

Ref:

PRO 80/54

Starting date:

September 1980.

Short description:

To disseminate the findings of part one (research undertaken 1977-80); to consider the drawing up of guidelines for staff training based on the recommendations contained in part one; and to publish a report on the seminars which may be helpful to care staff, families and other relevant persons. This would be known as part two of the

main report.

A national standard for chiropody record keeping.

Ref:

PRO 80/66

Starting date:

December 1980.

Short description:

To produce a standard comprehensive record card to be used by all chiropodists practising in the NHS, and to standardise procedures and to encourage the use of standard terminology.

Title:

Physically handicapped school leavers in the community.

Ref:

PRO 80/74

Starting date:

October 1980.

Short description:

To examine the processes of access to health education, employment and leisure services for physically handicapped school leavers; to identify factors which facilitate access and those which inhibit it; and to provide information about the 'goodness of fit' between physically handicapped school leavers and services in a particular locality by examining the pattern of experience of participation in and withdrawal from services.

Title:

Facilitating change in geriatric hospital care.

Ref:

PRO 80/75

Starting date:

October 1980.

Short description:

To replace custodial care of geriatric patients with a model stressing rehabilitation; and to develop the potential of staff to be sensitive in identifying and meeting individual patient needs.

Title:

A video tape for patients about to enter hospital.

Ref:

PRO 80/78

Starting date:

October 1980.

Short description:

To produce a video tape of 15 minutes duration to describe the local hospital and paediatric ward, nurses, doctors and other staff. This was produced in 1981.

Aids and adaptations for discharged disabled

patients.

Ref:

PRO 81/20

Starting date:

January 1981.

Short description:

To identify the extent, quality and sources of provision made for people with physical handicap after discharge from hospital; to discover where breakdowns in provision occur; and to suggest ways of improving provision and of minimising risks to patients/clients.

KING'S FUND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Title:

Terminal care and the relief of pain.

Ref:

DEV 71/8

Starting date:

January 1972.

Short description:

To evaluate the results of providing a unit for terminal care and a clinic for the relief of pain within a National Health Service hospital, in cooperation with local health authority and voluntary organisations.

KING'S FUND RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Title:

Living in Hospital.

Ref:

R&D 73/5B/xviii

Starting date:

June 1973.

Short description:

To produce a handbook or checklist of important factors affecting the social needs of people in long term care. A revised edition of this book was

produced in 1982.

Title:

LINK - The Centre for Deafened People.

Ref:

R&D 75/71

Starting date:

January 1976.

Short description:

To enable the Link Centre to extend its existing work of assisting adults from all parts of Britain who suffer irreversible or encroaching deafness by providing residential courses for them and their relatives, and assisting them towards rehabilitation.

Thamesmead interdisciplinary project.

Ref:

R&D 75/90

Starting date:

September 1975.

Short description:

To test the feasibility of interdisciplinary education and training in the field of health and welfare by means of an action research programme.

Title:

Appliances for the handicapped and disabled.

Ref:

R&D 76/122

Starting date:

July 1976.

Short description:

To fund the appointment of a production engineer, in the Research Unit for the Handicapped at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, to enable the flow of designs of appliances for handicapped and disabled people to be maintained, and to ensure that the appliances are manufactured for wider distribution.

Title:

Opinion survey of the views of old people in

hospital.

Ref:

R&D 76/137

Starting date:

January 1977.

Short description:

To find out what a sample of old people, in general geriatric and psychiatric hospitals and wards, think of the quality of their life there, and also what their friends think of it, and to compare these views with the views of staff.

Title:

Care of the elderly in Exeter, Devon.

Ref:

R&D 77/15

Starting date:

April 1974.

Short description:

To devise and implement a simple and cheap method of ensuring that the health and welfare needs of old people are regularly assessed, and to provide a means of coordinating the medical and social support.

Short term residential care of young mentally handicapped children (aged 7 and under).

Ref:

R&D 77/15/c

Starting date:

July 1977.

Short description:

To focus attention on present policies of short-term residential care for mentally handicapped children and to draw up some guidelines on care for mentally handicapped children receiving short-term residential care, which may be helpful for the planners of the services, and for the families who use the services, and for the staff who are caring for the children.

Title:

Anchor House project, Orpington.

Ref:

R&D 77/18

Starting date:

January 1974.

Short description:

To develop new patterns of community care, including programmes of training and support for volunteers, support for relatives of mentally ill people; and to provide placement opportunities for social workers in training.

Title:

Study of health policies.

Ref:

R&D 77/20

Starting date:

January 1975.

Short description:

To set up and maintain a unit for the study of health policies, with the aim of improving health care by promoting public discussion of health and related social policies.

Title:

Psychology services in primary schools.

Ref:

R&D 77/37

Starting date:

January 1978.

Short description:

To provide psychological expertise in the investigation of primary school children with learning and behavioural problems, and to explore the ways in which school doctors and nurses can best collaborate with psychologists in helping such children.

Mobility information and demonstration service.

Ref:

R&D 77/38

Starting date:

December 1978.

Short description:

To provide effective information to disabled passengers and disabled drivers (including disabled vehicles vehicle suitable and families) on conversion, and to secure development and rapid introduction of improved economical conversions so that new best practices, concerning both equipment and methods, are taken up widely and promptly.

Title:

Dental care for the handicapped - a training film.

Ref:

R&D 78/10

Starting date:

February 1978.

Short description:

To improve the quality of dental care available to people labelled as 'handicapped', by producing and making available a film which will help in the training of dental undergraduates and community

dental officers.

Title:

The use of an inpatient ward for the care of severely disabled psychiatric patients living in the community.

Ref:

R&D 78/11

Starting date:

April 1978.

Short description:

To study the effect of providing intensive and flexible forms of personal, clinical and practical support to chronically ill psychiatric patients, using a hospital ward but maintaining the patients in the

community.

Title:

Visual arts intervention and long term care.

Ref:

R&D 78/14/iii

Starting date:

September 1978.

Short description:

discover methods of motivating residents (patients) in long term care to accept the challenges and disciplines of experiences in painting, and to devise means by which residents with low levels of technical skill may gain

satisfaction from experiences in fine art.

A study of medical outpatients at The Middlesex

Hospital.

Ref:

R&D 78/16

Starting date:

September 1976.

Short description:

To determine the pattern of referrals to medical outpatients, including (a) the range of clinical conditions; (b) characteristics of the patients; and (c) the use made by doctors of the resources

available to them.

KING'S FUND CENTRE COMMITTEE

Title: Admission and discharge survey of hospital patients.

Ref: CEN 78/5

Starting date: January 1978.

Short description: To establish how patients find their arrival at, and

departure from the hospital and the way in which the hospital makes arrangements and prepares them

for the immediate period after returning home.

Title: Sports facilities for mentally handicapped children.

Ref: CEN 78/10

Starting date: October 1978.

Short description: To design a programme for young mentally

handicapped children, their parents and their

teachers for extended play activities.

Title: Visiting of long stay institutions by members of

community health councils (CHCs).

Ref: CEN 78/15

Starting date: March 1978.

Short description: The production of a small publication for members

of CHCs. Project Paper No. 23 (1979) "CHC Visiting - A guide to visiting long stay hospitals

and units".

Title: Directory of patients' associations.

Ref: CEN 78/19

Starting date: June 1977.

Short description: To survey by means of a postal questionnaire

patients' associations and to produce and publish a directory of them in systematic form. The publication was produced by the King's Fund in

1979.

Mental health training film.

Ref:

CEN 78/24

Starting date:

January 1979.

Short description:

To prepare a feasibility study for an educational film aimed at assisting in the training of social workers who are given statutory powers relating to the compulsory admission of patients to a mental hospital. The film was professionally produced and runs for approximately 30 minutes.

Title:

A survey of hospital education.

Ref:

CEN 78/26

Starting date:

1 June 1978.

Short description:

To produce a feasibility study to be used as a basis for a regional study of hospital education.

Title:

Hull District School of Nursing (Mental Handicap

Division) educational resources.

Ref:

CEN 79/18

Starting date:

July 1979.

Short description:

To improve communications in the school; to improve educational resources by conversion of a practical room to a learning resources unit; and to plan scripts for tape-slide programmes and to copy video-tape programmes.

Title:

Training course for practice nurses.

Ref:

CEN 79/25

Starting date:

November 1979.

Short description:

To run a pilot course for practice nurses in order to explore the type of work undertaken; to delineate what further training, if any, they require, and to explore what administrative underpinning is required with regard to career structure and conditions of service.

Training film - Communicating with the deaf.

Ref:

CEN 79/27

Starting date:

November 1979.

Short description:

To produce a twenty-minute video tape on the theme of communication problems of the deaf, in order to arouse latent interest and concern about these problems.

Title:

Travelling exhibition of low vision aids.

Ref:

CEN 79/28

Starting date:

October 1979.

Short description:

To buy, fit and assemble a suitcase containing:

a display of low vision aids

a set of slides notes for a lecture

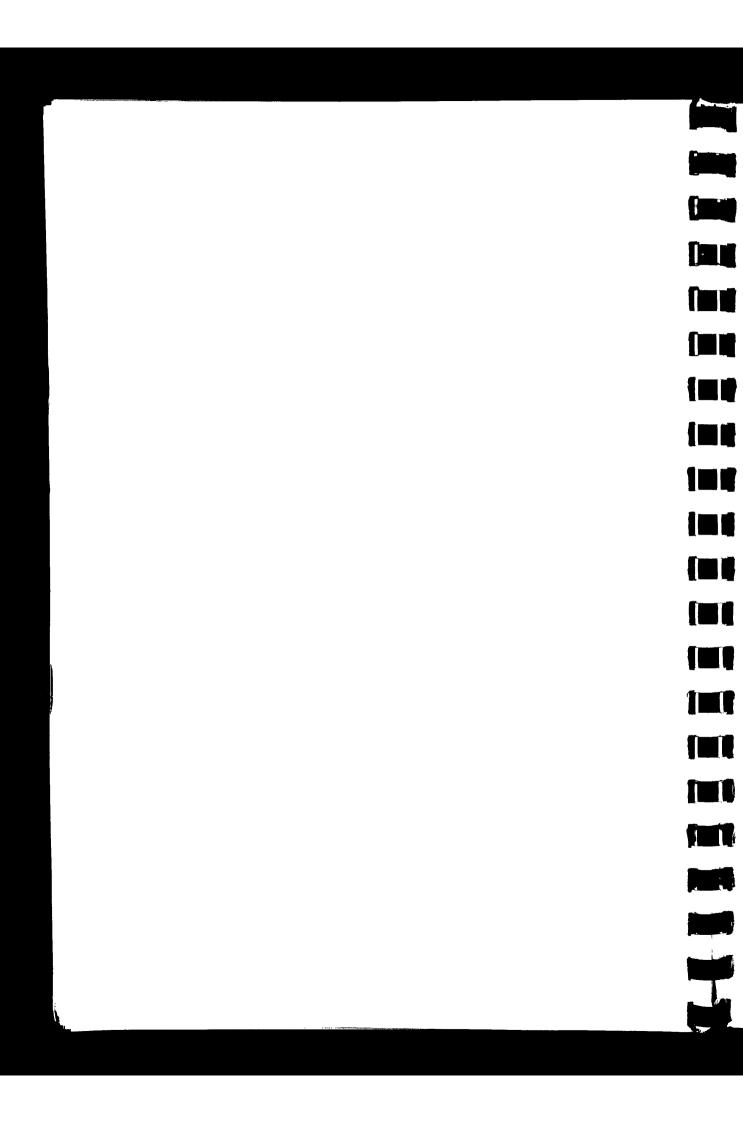
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