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## DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

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Mr. Harvey Zuckerberg Michigan Association for Retarded Citizens 313 South Washington Square Lansing, Michigan 48933

Dear Harvey:

## Children's Nursing Home Services

As I indicated at lunch, I am forwarding sections from the DSS and DMH appropriations bills relative to the development of an interagency approach to screen and provide services to developmentally disabled children who currently reside in or whose parent's are seeking admission to skilled, basic, or pediatric nursing home services. I am hopeful that these efforts will begin soon and, further, that they will provide increased options for children who are currently are being admitted to various nursing facilities under the Medicaid program.

Ben Censoni, Jane Provencal, and Nancy Rosenau will be representing the Department in discussions with Public Health and Social Services. Please call if I can provide any further information.

Sincerely,

C. Patrick Babcock

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Enclosure