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Nutritional Care of the Young Child with Cerebral Palsy presents descriptions of some problems faced by parents in the feeding of the cerebral palsied children. Available for \$2.50 from United Cerebral Palsy Association, Inc., 66 E. 34th St., New York, NY 10016.

PUBLICATIONS AND BOOKS (Continued)

Accessible Fashions, A 24-page report from the National Access Center, reviews fashion from the perspective of disabled consumers. It provides a comprehensive list of publications for people who want to learn how to make or alter clothes at home. Written by Angela Thompson and Susan Voorhees, the book is available for \$1 from National Access Center, 1419 27th St., NW., Washington D.C. 20007.

Making Aids for Disabled Living, by Stuart E. Grainger, is an ingenious book of patterns for handmade independent living aids for disabled people that are practical and eyepleasing. Each pattern is clearly diagrammed and can be followed quite easily. Available from Batsford, North Pomfret, VT 05053. Cost \$13.95.

Planning Barrier-Free Libraries developed by the National Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) of the Library of Congress, is a guide to the design and construction of a functional, barrier-free library for blind and physically handicapped people. It also discusses planning prerequisites, architect selection and includes plans for reading rooms, reception areas, etc. Write: NLS, The Library of Congress, Washington D.C. 20542.

ACCESSIBLE HOUSING

An affordable alternative to the high cost of traditional rental or ownership housing is offered by the Selby/Dale Cooperative. The units are accessible to handicapped people and are Section 8 assisted. For further information, call Donna Folstad, Director of Marketing at (612)227-5121, or write the Selby/Dale Cooperative, 328 W. 6th St., St. Paul, MN 55102.

FAMILY STRESS STUDY

A child with a disability can increase a family's vulnerability to stress. Parents are often anxious about the child's survival and may even feel guilty. Special care means extra work that can tie

FAMILY STRESS STUDY (Continued)

a parent to home and disrupt family life. The financial burden for hospitalization, clothing and transportation can be immense. Why some families are better able to cope with these problems is the subject of a study by researchers at Gillette Children's Hospital and the University of Minnesota. The study, entitled Family Coping with Physical Handicaps is funded by the Medical Education and Research Association (MERA), the physicians association affiliated with Gillette, and the Agricultural Experiment Station at the University of Minnesota. The primary participants are families of Gillette patients.

The project is designed to find out how family stress, family resources and abilities to cope affect a child with a handicap. It has developed tests that can identify specific factors in managing stress and measuring relationships between the degree of family stress and a child's well-being. Treatment for stress could involve counseling or support therapy with hospital social workers and psychologists. People may also be referred to appropriate human service agencies. Parents could use the tests to evaluate their own level of coping and compare their situation with others in similar circumstances. Results could indicate whether or not they should seek professional help.

Hamilton McCubbin, PH.D., professor and chairman of the Family and Social Science Department at the University of Minnesota is overseeing the three-year project.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The COUNT ME IN project of PACER (Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights) Center is conducting a training session on handicap awareness in the Metropolitan Area. Persons interested in learning how to relate information about disabilities to children or in helping COUNT ME IN staff present puppet shows are invited to attend. Volunteers will be expected to attend a two-day training session to be held Jan. 27-28 at House of Hope Presbyterian Church, 797 Summit Av., St. Paul, and a one-day practice session in early February. For further information, call PACER Center at (612) 827-2966.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Jan. 2: KTCA-TV. 4 p.m., "People and Causes." Association of Retarded Citizens people discussing budget cut-backs. The show will be repeated Jan. 5 at 3 p.m.

Jan. 3: WAYL radio, 6 a.m. "Community Close-up." Interview with president Donita Soucek of the Dakota County Association for Retarded Citizens.

Jan. 4: NBC-TV. "The Kid from Nowhere," features Special Olympics.

Jan. 7: KSTP-TV, 9 p.m. "20/20" will feature a segment on an update on Willowbrook State Hospital, New York by Geraldo Rivera (date may change.)

ART COMPETITION

Artists are invited to enter their work in the 1982 Courage Cards competition. Courage Cards are original-art Christmas cards that are sold nationwide on a suggested donation basis. Funds raised from the sale of the cards support Courage Center, Golden Valley, Minnesota, a rehabilitation organization for people with physical disabilities and speech, hearing and visual impairments.

Artwork and photographs should be submitted to Courage Center by Feb. 15. Winning entries will be reproduced as the 1982 Courage Cards collection. For more information write to Fran Bloomfield, Courage Center, 3915 Golden Valley Rd., Golden Valley, MN 55422 or call (612) 588-0811.

FUND-RAISING OPPORTUNITY

A letter from Eunice Kennedy Shriver says that Proctor and Gamble has agreed to donate 5¢ for each coupon redeemed on its products up to a total of \$500,000 to Special Olympics.

Watch for the Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes mailing due in early January. It contains a packet of coupons from Proctor and Gamble worth approximately \$4. Each coupon redeemed will bring in 5¢ for Special Olympics and \$4 in savings for the purchaser upon redemption. Please ask your grocery market to call its nearest Proctor and Gamble representative to receive a display. Tell the manager how important Special Olympics is to developmentally disabled people in Minnesota.

BEGINNING KARATE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The Inver Hills Community College/Oneida Program is offering an introductory course in the fundamentals of Karate, including self-defense techniques, for people with physical disabilities. Classes will be held at the Louis Park Apartments, 180 Wayzata, St. Paul, Jan. 5 through Mar. 16, 1982, 6-7:50 p.m. The cost is \$15 tuition for one credit. For further information, call (612) 455-9621.

WORKSHOPS

Jan. 8, 9, 22 and 23

"Burnout in the Helping Professions." Participants will discover how to identify the four stages of burnout on mind and body and explore techniques for managing stress through the application of cognitive, affective and psychomotor principles. Two semester hours of graduate level of Continuing Education credit will be given. The course will be held Fridays 4-9 p.m. and Saturdays 8:30 - 5 p.m. in Room 302 at the O'Shaughnessy Education Center, College of St. Thomas, St. Paul. Cost \$190. For more information, call (612) 647-5823.

WORKSHOPS (Continued)

Jan. 21, Jan. 28

"Math Readiness" and "Cooperative Learning Strategies in the Mainstreamed Classroom," 3:30 to 5 p.m.

"Reading Readiness: and "Positive Behavior Management in the Classroom" 3:30 p.m.

These courses are offered by the Washburn Child Guidance Center to classroom teachers working with special needs children in mainstreamed situations. No charge for the sessions. For more information call (612)871-1454.

Jan. 21

"Comparative Approaches to Psychotherapy." One day conference designed to examine and compare four approaches to psychotherapy in terms of their treatment goals, major assumptions and concepts and appropriateness for particular types of persons and problems. It will be held at the Earle Brown Continuing Education Center on the St. Paul campus of the University of Minnesota. For further information call Shirley Zimmerman at (612) 373-35831.



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McKNIGHT FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES PLAN FOR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PROJECT

As a result of an eight-month review, the directors of the McKnight Foundation announced last December the establishment of a four-year, \$3.5 million comprehensive plan to support a wide range of activities designed to meet the needs of Minnesota residents who have a developmental disability. In a new approach to grant-making, the McKnight Foundation focused its attention upon the developmental disabilities field and designed a funding program intended to change and improve the and improve the human service delivery system.

The comprehensive plan consists of the following elements:

Program grants totalling \$2 million between 1982 and 1985 are to develop more effective ways of meeting needs of clients who live in community-based residences and those who are participating in day and employment programs. Grants will be awarded in response to a Request for Proposal (RFP) to be issued by the Foundation in conjunction with Walker and Associates, a human service research and evaluation firm. The firm has been selected to serve as a coordinator and evaluator of those demonstration projects and the other parts of the Foundations's programs. RFP information will be available early in 1982.

Grants of \$130,000 in 1982, \$110,000 in 1983 and \$100,000 in 1984 are to go to Legal Advocacy for Persons with Developmental Disabilities, a project of the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis. This agency, serving as the Minnesota Developmental Disabilities Protection and Advocacy Agency, will be enabled to increase staff and provide related support costs.

McKNIGHT FOUNDATION (continued)

A grant of \$322,324 annually in 1982, 1983 and 1984 to the Minnesota Developmental Disabilities Planning Program is to be used for three regranting programs. First, \$100,000 will be available in each of three years to support management development, organizational development and staff training of community agencies serving people with developmental disabilities. Second, \$100,000 will be available in each of the three years to support innovative regional projects and development of cooperative service models in critical areas of need. Emphasis will be placed on coordinating existing resources in the areas of transportation, respite care, educational services for infants and preschool children and specialized foster care. Third, \$100,000 will be available in each of the three years for small start-up grants for day and residential facilities for hard-to-place clients and for citizen advocacy programs that meet conditions regarding availability of other funding and future financing. In addition, the Developmental Disabilities Planning Program will receive \$22,324 each year to offset administrative costs to manage the three programs. Requests for proposals and other program announcements will be issued in March 1982 with grant awards made in July.

The directors of the McKnight Foundation also approved a grant of \$50,000 annually in 1982, 1983 and 1984 to support the work of the Office of the Court in the Welsch v. Noot Consent Decree of 1980. This approval, however, was contingent upon the determination of the Federal District Court as to whether outside private funding was permissible under the decree. The determination was later made by Federal District Court Judge, Earl R. Larson, that the Court Monitor's Office could not receive such outside support.

For further information, contact Russell V. Ewald, Executive Vice President (612) 333-4220.

THANK YOU, DAC's

All information in the Survey of Developmental Achievement Center (DAC's) has now been collected and fed into the computer. Interpretation of the combined data will be completed in January. The survey was a joint effort on the part of the Minnesota DAC Association, the Department of Public Welfare and the Developmental Disabilities Program Office. Most of the credit must go to the personnel in each of the DAC's who so willingly gave of their time in providing the information. There are very few among similar studies that can claim 100 percent cooperation. Thank you, DAC's!

HHS CALLS FOR CONCEPT PAPERS

Awards ranging from \$50,000 to \$400,000 per year are being made available by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Human Development Services. Awards are to go to public and private institutions for new research, evaluation, demonstration, training and technology-exchange and cooperative agreements directed at improved delivery of social services. Of the grants totalling \$35 million, any state, public or nonprofit organization may submit concept papers rather than formal proposal as in the past. Details on priority areas and concept paper content were announced in The Federal Register, Nov. 16, 1981.

About \$7.5 million will go to areas where the Administration on Developmental Disabilities will be the lead agency. These areas are:

1. Family Centered Preventive Social Services Modalities (930,000 for six to eight projects.)

This area is concerned with preventive social service for vulnerable populations, including developmentally disabled people, who previously have been dependent on government. Innovative approaches to enhancing the family and community capacity to help in conjunction with formal social service systems are called for. Concept papers should adapt existing models for special target groups

CONCEPT PAPERS (continued)

to expand the technology to serve a broader population and address such initiatives as: use of volunteers for respite care, training of family members and informal care givers, providing linkages between informal and formal service providers, and providing in-home care treatment.

2. Improving private-public linkages and service delivery (\$300,000 for three projects.)

With the need to identify alternate sources of funding for human services, there has been an increased emphasis on developing linkages between the private and public sectors. Concept papers should follow orientation seen in No. 1. above

3. The placement of minority developmentally disabled children and adults in appropriate, least-restrictive settings (\$300,000 for three projects.) This consideration is with hard-to-place clients not covered by the child welfare system such as minority developmentally disabled children and adults. Concept papers are sought from state DD Protection and Advocacy agencies addressing the problem of placing minority persons in permanent and least-restrictive settings (adoptive homes and group homes).

For a copy of the program announcement, write to the Office of Program Development and Demonstration Division, Administration on Developmental Disabilities, 3194 North Bldg., Washington D.C. 20201. Note: Papers must be submitted by Jan. 15, 1982.

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADOPTIONS PROJECT

The North American Center on Adoption (NACA) of the Child Welfare League of America has recently released Reaching Out: A Resource Book for the Adoption of Children with Developmental Disabilities. This volume of materials represents the culmination of experiences gained from operations in each region of the U.S. under a national significance grant from the Administration on Developmental Disabilities, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Limited copies are available for \$5 from NACA, Child Welfare League of America, Inc., 67 Irving Place, New York, NY 10003. Phone: (212) 254-7410.

TWO HARBORS GROUP HOME WINS ZONING DISPUTE

The Minnesota Supreme Court recently determined that the Caromin House, Inc., a group home for six mentally retarded adults in Two Harbors, Minnesota, complies with local zoning ordinances for a single-family dwelling. The group home complied with the restrictive covenant applicable to the property permitting one dwelling and one garage on each lot. Previous permission given for the construction of the facility was found to be in keeping with public policy and that a denial of the temporary injunction was not an abuse of the trial court's discretion. It was also determined that future residents of the group home have a right to intervene in this action.

Plaintiffs (Costley et al.) had argued that Minnesota Statutes that specify that "A licensed group home for six or fewer mentally retarded persons shall be considered a single-family residential use for zoning purposes," were an arbitrary and capricious imposition of legislative will upon local zoning matters and therefore unconstitutional as a violation of due process. In response, the Supreme Court opinion stated that, "Where the statute is unreasonable or arbitrary is a question primarily for the legislative body concerned, and unless the decision of that

ZONING DISPUTE (continued)

body on that question appears to be clearly erroneous, courts will not interfere." Furthermore, "The zoning statutes guarantee that local governments cannot frustrate state and national policy of permitting mentally retarded persons to participate in normal communities." (Minnesota Supreme Court, Costley et al. vs. Caromin House, Inc., Dec. 11, 1981).

UNJUSTIFIED TERMINATION OF DISABILITY BENEFITS SUSPECTED BY MHLP

The Mental Health Law Project (MHLP) in Washington D.C., said last November that the Social Security Administration has adopted a goal of substantially reducing the number of persons who receive Social Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Insurance (SSI) benefits. The Social Security Administration plans to review 500,000 cases by Sept. 30, 1982, to determine whether recipients continue to be disabled.

Calls to the MHLP from advocates in several states indicate that many disabled people and chronic mental patients are being dropped from disability rolls after perfunctory on-paper reviews of their files. Many of these people are then being relegated either to county or state relief rolls or to psychiatric hospital wards.

MHLP asserts that although review of the status of SSI and Social Security recipients is technically legitimate under the law, such reviews should not serve as a device to slash disability spending at the expense of people who are unable to support themselves. With the strong possibility of generating a national coalition, MHLP will need information about the scope of the problem from advocates and others who have received an unusual number of calls from people whose benefits are being terminated. Call or write MHLP, 2021 L St., Suite 800, Washington D.C. 20036. Phone: (202) 467-5730.

DISTRICT COURT AFFIRMS DECISION ON
REDUCED FUNDING OF KITTSON COUNTY DAC

A decision to reduce the number of days of service in a developmental achievement center (DAC) from five to three has been upheld in District Court. The Kittson County Welfare Board had argued that it did not have funds to pay for the DAC services and was not obligated to expend funds it did not have.

On Dec. 9, 1981, Judge John A. Spellacy of the Ninth Judicial District Court determined that, "the Commissioner's (Arthur Noot's) interpretation of Department of Public Welfare Rules 160 and 185 is clearly erroneous; in fact, it was mandated by the statutes..."

In other words, the Commissioner's instructions to the Kittson County Welfare Board that would permit the provision of daytime activities for mentally retarded and cerebral palsied persons within the appropriations made available was upheld by the court.

Judge Spellacy continued, "To permit the servicing of host county to foist a budget deficit upon Kittson County simply because five days of DAC care is preferable to three days is both unreasonable and unaccountable. Were we faced with complete elimination of the DAC programs for appellants, our decision would, obviously be different. We note that all American citizens, including those physically or mentally handicapped, might well expect some changes in the services which have been, in the past, provided by governmental agencies and taken for granted. Kittson County's reaction to its impending deficit was logical and reasonable under the circumstances." (Lindstrom et al. vs. State of Minnesota, Department of Public Welfare and Kittson County Welfare Board, Minn. Ninth District Court, Dec. 9, 1981.)

INFLUENCING LEGISLATORS--DO'S AND DON'TS

In a paper, "Participating in the Political Process," by E. Clarke Ross, Nov. 12, 1981, several suggestions were made that might serve as a guide to those who want to make a positive impression upon their legislators during the upcoming session of the State Legislature:

DO:

- Familiarize yourself with the perspective of the legislators whom you wish to persuade.
- Present information in language that legislators can understand.
- Present an organized approach, the key to a consistently articulated presentation.
- Use data and information, the keys to convincing public policy-makers.
- Document positions and fact.
- Explain to public policymakers why you are interested in a particular subject. (It may be helpful to present a fact sheet that describes your organization, mission, purpose, goals, services, activities and its clientele.)
- Know the issue and facts that support your position.
- Make your presentation clear and brief.
- Respect time allotments.
- Have all relevant cost figures on hand.
- Understand the legislative committee process.
- Support your cause with a long-range educational campaign.

DON'T

- Distort information.
- Overdo it. Know when to stop talking.
- Assume that a legislator has read materials you have sent.
- Be evasive.
- Be antagonistic.
- "Consult a legislator's intelligence or look down your nose" at him or her.
- Cry wolf.
- Make a legislator look foolish.
- threaten anyone's job security.
- Lose your temper.

Maintaining a positive attitude is the key.

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METRO DD PROGRAM NOTES

DD Curriculum Library

The DD Curriculum Library is a new resource available to directors and staff who work in residential facilities, developmental achievement centers (DACs) vocational rehabilitation facilities, Headstart/Homestart, public schools and other centers serving severely handicapped children and adults. The curriculum library is located in the DD Program offices of the Metropolitan Council, 300 Metro Square Bldg., 7th and Robert Streets, St. Paul.

Curriculum materials are available on a loan basis for three weeks if materials are requested in person. There is no charge for use of these materials. A list of the materials now available is attached to this newsletter. This service is designed to keep the DD service community informed of new approaches and techniques designed for developmentally disabled persons. It also offers potential buyers an opportunity to preview a variety of programs prior to purchasing them.

The materials are the property of the State Developmental Disabilities Program Office, but circulation is the responsibility of the Metro DD Regional Program. These same materials will be available in every region of the state where there is a regional DD program. Please save this list and come in to borrow the materials soon. DD secretary Marjorie Segell acts as librarian. These materials are distinct from the DD Resource Library that consists of reports, studies, publications, etc. on DD issues and policy.

DD Staff Replacement

Tom Chapel joined the staff of the Metropolitan DD Regional Program as a research analyst on Dec. 28, 1981. He replaces Joachim Banda who left in early October to work for Control Data Corp. Mr. Chapel is a graduate of the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs and has worked for the Legislative Auditor's Office, the Joint Religious Legislative Council and as an intern with the State Developmental Disabilities Program Office.

One of his tasks will be to work on a regional survey of residential facility personnel to determine turnover and retention factors. Another task is to work on the statewide survey of residential and day program personnel to determine what they see as their priority training needs. Mr. Chapel will also be available to provide data information and other technical assistance to the Metropolitan Area DD community.

McKnight Request for Proposals (RFPs)

Be sure to read about the McKnight RFPs) for grants to be administered through Walker and Associates, Inc. This information is in the State Supplement of this issue.

DAC SURVEY REPORT - Metropolitan Area presentation on Tuesday, March 2, 1982. See last page for additional information.

METRO DD PROGRAM NOTES (Continued)

Proposal-Writing Workshop

The Metropolitan DD Program is sponsoring a workshop early in March on "Sharpening Proposal-Writing Techniques." As another in its series of capacity-building activities, the workshop is intended to assist applicants to prepare grant applications related to the needs of developmentally disabled persons.

Presentations will focus on three aspects: reading RFPs accurately, developing clear proposal concepts and improving technical aspects of writing grant applications. Skills acquired should be useful in applying for governmental and private funds.

Registration is limited to 50 participants and there is a registration fee. Detailed information on date, time, location and fees will be sent in a brochure and registration form next week to Metropolitan Area residents who receive this newsletter.

Deinstitutional Model for Minnesota

A computer-aided policy planning model to specifically aid Minnesota in planning and budgeting for deinstitutionalization of the DD population has been completed. The model was developed by the University of Minnesota's Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs under a grant from the Administration for Developmental Disabilities, Department of Health and Human Services. The authors are William Copeland and Iver A. Iverson.

The model is to be used in providing technical assistance to Minnesota in its deinstitutionalization efforts. The Minnesota Model assesses the Department of Public Welfare's Compliance Plan (Welsch vs. Noot) and two other strategies. It projects caseloads, staffing, costs and reimbursement for seven years for each of the strategies. The authors recommend the specific steps to be taken to implement each plan and identify new funding opportunities that are now allowable using recently

Deinstitutional Model (Continued)

published-Medicaid waivers. Single copies are available free of charge from this office by calling 291-6363. Ask for the Copeland-Iverson deinstitutionalization model.

BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS

The National Association of State Mental Retardation Program Directors (NASMRPD) has prepared a publication that provides background information and practical advice for mental retardation program directors and others interested in applying for a home and community-based waiver. The publication is entitled "The Medicaid Home and Community-Based Care Waiver Authority." It provides details on services, eligibility and considerations for completing the complex formula of average per capita costs of institutional and non-institutional services.

Copies are \$10 each and are available by writing to NASMRPD, 2001 Jefferson-Davis Hwy., Suite 806, Arlington, VA 22202. A copy of this publication is also available for use in the Metropolitan Council DD Resource Library.

Working with Mentally Handicapped Persons in Their Residences, by Dean and Mary Tjosvold. This book assesses current theory and research and draws upon their personal experiences to help handicapped people to develop their abilities and increase their independence. Available from The Free Press, A Division of MacMillan Publishing Co., 866 3rd Av., New York, NY 10022. Cost: \$11.95.

The following books are available from the Prader-Willi Syndrome Association, 5515 Malibu Dr., Edina, MN 55436. Postage and handling costs are included in the price of each book.
Prader-Willi Syndrome, by Dr. Holm, et al, \$24.50;
Prader-Willi Syndrome - A Handbook for Parents, by Shirley Neason, \$3.50; and
An Overview of the Prader-Willi Syndrome, by Lota Mitchell, M.S.W., \$3.

LaBAR HONORED

The Business and Professional Women's Club of Minneapolis presented an award to Leah LaBar, founder and executive director of Comprehensive Services for Disabled Citizens, Inc., last December for her "Outstanding Achievement as a Business Woman."

Mrs. LaBar, who has been a quadriplegic for 32 years, did not let physical limitations stop her from organizing Comprehensive Services in 1972. The purpose of the agency is to help people with physical disabilities gain as much independence as possible. This non-profit service started by providing an attendant referral service. Today the agency not only helps find attendants, it also offers attendant training classes and provides advocacy, information and referral and counseling.

For further information on this service, contact Leah LaBar, Comprehensive Services for Disabled Citizens, 4114 39th Av. S., Minneapolis, MN 55406, or call (612) 721-6373.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Dr. Gary Birnbaum of the University of Minnesota is investigating the role of genetic susceptibility to the development of multiple sclerosis (MS). He is actively engaged in measuring immune cell responses to MS patients and their families. Of particular interest and importance are his investigations of MS patients who are one of a pair of identical twins. If any such individuals are willing to participate in Dr. Birnbaum's investigation, they may call him at (612) 373-8802.

This project is currently being funded by a research grant from the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

SERVICES

New Foundation

The Chicago Resource Center is a new foundation that will focus its support on newer, grass-roots organizations. It is a private foundation with a total of \$500,000 to be made available to agencies nationwide. Although it will consider proposals from established organizations, the center is particularly interested in those groups generally overlooked by traditional funding sources. For further information, contact the Chicago Resource Center, 209 W. Jackson, Chicago, IL 60606; Tel. (302) 461-9333.

Technical Assistance Available

Technical Assistants from the State Department of Public Welfare are available to assist community residences, developmental achievement centers and semi-independent living agencies with development, regulatory problems, program consultation, or other needs. This is a free service. Call Gordon Krantz (296-2136), Mary Kudla (297-3829) or Gerry Nord (297-3828) or write DPW-MR Division, 4th flr., Centennial Bldg., St. Paul, MN 55155.

Nationwide Arts Promotion

The National Committee, Arts for the Handicapped (NCAH) has created six new regions and appointed regional advisors in order to promote nationwide arts programming for disabled people. NCAH hopes to strengthen ties with related national programs to improve informational dissemination concerning available arts programs. For further information, contact Bette Valenti, NCAH, Connecticut Av. N.W., Suite 418, Washington, D.C. 20009.

SERVICES (Continued)

Communication Device Available

A device called the Autocom, a battery-powered, wheelchair-mounted communication board is available for non-oral, motor-impaired people from Telesensory Systems, Inc. The Autocom can be personalized to a person's motor skills and it offers features such as communication viewing, continuous feedback systems and personalized vocabulary overlays. The device was originally developed at the Trace Research and Development Center for Severely Communicatively Handicapped at the University of Wisconsin with the support of the National Science Foundation and the Office of Special Education of the Department of Education. For information: Telesensory Systems, Inc., 3408 Hillview Av., P.O. Box 10099, Palo Alto, CA 94304.

Developmental Disabilities Clinic

Minneapolis Children's Health Center announces the formation of a developmental disabilities clinic to provide comprehensive evaluation of children's developmental problems. Emphasis will be on children up to age three who may have a developmental problem. The clinic will assist in planning intervention that will provide optimal growth and development.

Clinic staff includes a pediatric nurse associate, developmental pediatrician, social worker, audiologist, speech/language pathologist, psychologist, occupational therapist, community resource specialist, as well as access to various other specialty clinics in the hospital.

Children may be referred by their families, private physicians or any person involved in an ongoing relationship with the child and family. For further information or to make referrals, call Mrs. Nancy Pflager, coordinator, at (612) 874-6254.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Summer Employment

Two or three positions are open to mentally retarded adults to do dishwashing, lawn maintenance and general cleaning at a lodge in northern Minnesota next summer. Pay is \$330 per month, plus room and board.

For more information, contact Bruce Kerfoot Gunflint Lodge, Gunflint Trail, Grand Marais, MN 55604.

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

The Courage Alpine Skiers club teaches downhill skiing to amputees, people with spinal cord injuries or other physical disabilities. Members meet every Saturday during the season at Welch Village, near Welch, Minnesota, and Spirit Mountain near Duluth, to receive instruction and to practice their skills using adapted skiing equipment. For information, call Michelle Beach at (612) 544-0866 or Joann Cicerelli at (612) 297-2626. In northeastern Minnesota, call Mary Schmitz at (218) 727-6874.

A Cross-Country Ski Marathon, a winter "fun raiser," will be held on the Phalen Golf Course on Feb. 14 from 9-5 p.m. There will be a spaghetti dinner after the skiing. To obtain pledge sheets or tickets for the dinner, call the Association of Residences for the Retarded in Minnesota (ARRM) at (612) 225-6551.

The Vinland National Center, Pilot Programs is sponsoring several healthsport sessions and summer activities. Activities are for people who are 16 years or older who have physical or sensory impairments and able-bodied persons who are interested in participating with disabled persons in the healthsports philosophy. Among planned activities will be bike, canoe and horsepacking trips. For additional information, contact: Vinland National Center, Pilot Programs, 3675 Ihduhapi Rd., P.O. Box 308, Loretto, MN 55357.

WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES

Feb. 9, Feb. 13

Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights (PACER) is sponsoring two workshops, identical in content, on the above dates beginning at 9:15 a.m. Topics will include rights and responsibilities of parents, assessment, individual education plans and team staffing. To register for either of these free workshops, or to obtain more information, contact PACER Center Inc., 4701 Chicago Av. S. Minneapolis, MN 55407 (612) 827-2966.

Feb. 11

A Bio-Medical Ethics Workshop, funded by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, will discuss two case studies. They include "A Case of Serious Post-Natal Deformity," and "A Case of Cooperation in Self-Determined Death." The workshop will be held from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Beth El Synagogue, 5224 W. 26th St., St. Louis Park, Minnesota. Registration fee of \$16 must be prepaid. Registration is limited.

Feb. 12

"Physical Control Alternatives" is a workshop that provides an opportunity to practice alternative means of physical control that are humane and do not aggravate an already bad situation. It will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Sheraton Airport Inn, 2525 E. 78th St., Bloomington, MN 55450. For information about costs and registration, call the Association of Residences for the Retarded in Minnesota, (612) 225-6551.

Beginning Feb. 25

The Minneapolis Association for Retarded Citizens (MARC) is co-sponsoring the following workshops for families with a handicapped family member. For six consecutive Thursdays, 7-9 p.m., beginning Feb. 25: "A Couples Support Group for Parents of Handicapped Children," St. David's School, 13000 St. David's Rd., Minnetonka. Limit of four couples. Cost is \$15 a couple (or ability to pay). For more information: MARC 874-6650. March 9:

WORKSHOPS (Continued)

"Protecting and Letting Go," 7-9:30 p.m. at the Creekside Community Center, Room 103, 9801 Penn Av. S., Bloomington. Cost is \$1 per person. To pre-register, call: Office of Special Services, 881-5811, Ext. 315.

FUTURE EVENTS

April 9-10

The 34th annual National Wheelchair Basketball Tournament will take place at the Minneapolis Auditorium. For information, call Courage Center at (612) 588-0811.

April 17

The Third Annual Metro Areawide Consumer Conference will be held at the Colonial Church of Edina, 6200 Colonial Way, Edina. This conference is being planned by and for people who are mentally retarded. Ten workshops, chosen by consumers, will be presented during the afternoon of April 17. The Associations for Retarded Citizens of Anoka, Dakota, St. Paul and Minneapolis are sponsoring the conference, and will be mailing registration brochures during the first week of March.

April 25-27

National Industries for the Severely Handicapped (NISH), a non-profit agency whose primary aim is to provide jobs for severely handicapped persons and promote their placement in competitive employment, is sponsoring a national conference April 25-27 in San Antonio, Texas. For further details, contact Evelyn R. Villines, NISH, 4350 East West Highway, Suite 1120, Bethesda, MD 20814.

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DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES CURRICULUM LIBRARY RESOURCE MATERIALS

Albrecht, Karl, Ph.D., Successful Management by Objectives -An Action Manual.

Apolloni, Toni., Joanna Capuccilli and Thomas Cooke: Toward Excellence: Achievements in Residential Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities.

Baker, Bruce L., Alan J. Brightman, Stephen P. Hinshaw; Toward Independent Living.

Bender, Michael., Peter J. Valletutti; Teaching the Moderately and Severely Handicapped, Vol.I - Behavior, Self-Care and Motor Skills.

--- Teaching the Moderately and Severely Handicapped, Vol.II - Communication, Socialization, Safety and Leisure Time Skills.

--- Teaching the Moderately and Severely Handicapped, Vol.III - Functional Academics for the Mildly and Moderately Handicapped.

Bigge, June L. with Patrick A. O'Donnell; Teaching Individuals with Physical and Multiple Disabilities.

Budde, James F., Measuring Performance in Human Service Systems -Planning, Organization and Control.

Ehlers, Walter H., Curtis H. Krishef and John C. Prothero; An Introduction to Mental Retardation - A Programmed Text (2nd edition)

Flynn, Robert J and Kathleen E. Nitsch; Normalization, Social Integration and Community Services.

Gardner, Jamers F., Linda Long, Roann Nichols and Diame M. Lagulli; Program Issues in Developmental Disabilities - A Resource Manual for Surveyors and Reviewers.

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Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services Inc.; An Activities of Daily Living Curriculum for Handicapped Adults.

Marr, John., and Bob L. Mears; Behavior Management Manual: Procedures for Psychosocial Problems in Rehabilitation.

Perske, Robert and Judy Smith; Beyond the Ordinary; The Preparation of Professionals to Educate Severely and Profoundly Handicapped Persons Toward the Development of Standards and Criteria.

Perske, Robert, Andrew Clifton, Barbara M. McLean and Jean Ishler Stein: Mealtimes for Severely and profoundly Handicapped Persons - New Concepts and Attitudes.

Perske, Robert, New Life in the Neighborhood - How Persons with Retardation or Other Disabilities Can Help Make a Good Community Better.

Popovich, Dorothy and Sandra L. Laham; The Adaptive Behavior Curriculum, Vols. I. and II.

Popovich, Dorothy : Effective Educational and Behavioral Programming for Severely and Profoundly Handicapped Students; A Manual for Teachers and Aides.

Rabby, Rami; Locating, Recruiting and Hiring the Disabled.

Rotatori, Anthony F. and Robert Fox; Behavioral Weight Reduction Program for Mentally Handicapped Persons - A Self-Control Approach.

Sailor, Wayne, Barbara Wilcox and Lou Brown; Methods of Instruction for Severely Handicapped Students.

Sontag, Ed, Editor, Judy Smith and Nick Certo, Assoc Ed.; Educational Programming for the Severely and Profoundly Handicapped.

Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Institute, Materials Development Center, University of Wisconsin-Stout; Contract Bidding for Rehabilitation Facilities.

TASH (The Association for the Severely Handicapped): (in one volume) Bibliography and Materials List 1981.

Taylor, V., and D. Close; Community Living Observation System, Paper #110.

Texas Tech University, Research and Training Center in Mental Retardation; Cooperative Occupational Preparation of the Handicapped-Exemplary Models.

--- 1980 Information and Research Materials.

Warren, Rachel D., and Irving R. Dickman; For This Respite...Much Thanks - Concepts, Guidelines and Innues in the Development of Community Respite Care Services.

Wehman, Paul, Ph.D., contribution by Ronald P. Reynolds: Adaptations, Techniques and Curriculum Leisure Programs for Handicapped Persons.

--- Competitive Employment - New Horizons for Severely Disabled Individuals.

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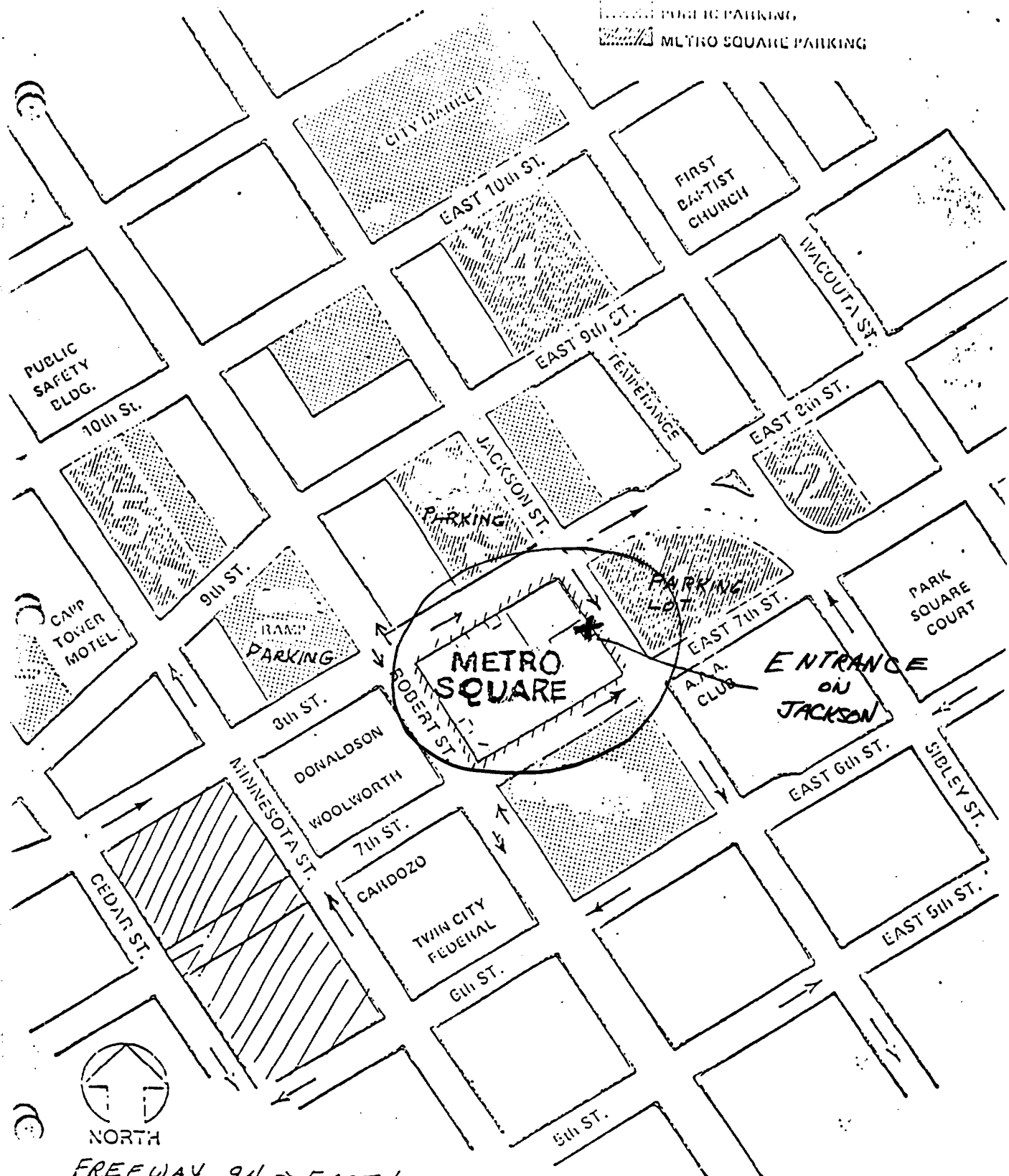
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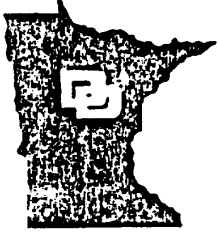
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OUIE APPOINTS DR. RICHARD NELSON TO HEAD STATE D.D. COUNCIL

Gov. Al. Ouie has recently appointed Dr. Richard Nelson to serve as the new chairperson of the Governor's Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities. Dr. Nelson replaces Dr. Bruce Balow who has faithfully served in that capacity for the past three years.

Dr. Nelson is currently the director of Services for Children with Handicaps in the Minnesota Department of Health. He is also an assistant professor in public health and a faculty member of the Pediatrics Department at the University of Minnesota. Dr. Nelson moved here in 1978 from Boston, where he was associated with the Children's Hospital and Harvard University.

The governor will also be appointing new Council members. They will be announced in next month's newsletter.

McKNIGHT FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE DD PROGRAM

The McKnight Foundation announced its Request for Proposals (RFPs) Jan. 15. The RFPs are for the development of more effective ways of meeting client needs for persons with developmental disabilities who live in community-based residences or who are participating in day or employment programs. A total of \$1,950,000 is available to support three grants over a four-year period, one each in residential, day and employment programs. Besides requesting proposals, the McKnight Foundation is also requesting brief concept papers that may be submitted by organizations and individuals.

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Proposals and concept papers in response to the RFP are due by 4:30 p.m. March 12, 1982, at the foundation's office. Notification of awards for the planning grants will be made on April 16, 1982.

Telephone inquiries concerning the content of this RFP may be made by calling Bob Walker, Walker and Associates, Inc., (612) 8700-4420.

NEW DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES OFFICE ESTABLISHED IN REGION 10

The dissolution of the Regional Development Commission in southeastern Minnesota's Region 10 caused the Regional Developmental Disabilities Council to lose its host agency and its planning office in Rochester. However, planning and coordination activities on behalf of persons with developmental disabilities will continue out of a new location: S.E. Minnesota Developmental Disabilities Project, Box 4, Court Square Mall, 132 St. Anthony, Preston, MN 55965. Tel. (507) 765-2700. Marilyn Bothun will continue as the regional coordinator.

POLICY ANALYSIS SERIES PROFILES
DEVELOPMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT CENTERS

Two of three issue papers resulting from a statewide survey of developmental achievement centers (DACs) were recently released by the State Developmental Disabilities Program Office. The purpose of the study of 106 developmental achievement centers was to assess the financial, program and client status during 1980, 1981 and 1982. The study was conducted as a joint effort of the Department of Public Welfare, the Minnesota Developmental Achievement Center Association and the Minnesota Developmental Disabilities Program.

Policy Analysis Series #6 is entitled "The Financial Status of Minnesota DACs: 1980-1982." This report summarizes financial data for each economic region within the state and provides statewide totals. The total revenue reported by the DACs during 1980, 1981 and 1982 (estimated) was \$22.9 million, \$26 million and \$27.3 million, respectively. The statewide average increase in revenues from 1980 to 1981 was 13.5 percent. The increase from 1981 to 1982 is projected to be approximately 5.3 percent. Expenditures were compared to revenues on the data analysis. Thirty-four (32 percent) of the 106 DACs reported losses in 1980; 32 (30 percent) reported that expenditures exceeded revenue in 1981 and in 1982 40 of 105 DACs (38 percent) anticipate losses. The rest of the report analyzes program and transportation per diems, capital assets, building accessibility, licensed capacity and average daily attendance. In 1981, the 106 DACs had a total licensed capacity of 5,584, with an average daily attendance total of 4,429.

Policy Analysis Series #7 is entitled "The Program Status of Minnesota DACs: 1980-82." This report describes program personnel, staff training, staff turnover, program hours and days, out-of-county clients, parent/client fee schedules and policy changes. The total administrative staff complement statewide for 1981 in the 106 DACs was:

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253.96 administrative staff, 975.07 professional/paraprofessional staff and 141.07 support/nonprogram staff. The full-time equivalent staff complement in 1981 was 1,379. This is projected to decrease in 1982 to 1,351, particularly in program and support staff. About half of the program personnel have college degrees, a proportion comparable to those of previous reports by the Department of Public Welfare. Turnover among staff is lower than that of residential facilities but showed a three-percent increase from 1980-81. There is stability in the reported number of days and hours of service provided, but given the 1,234 out-of-county placement contracts and anticipated budget constraints, there may be complex changes at the individual level in terms of units received.

The third paper, Policy Analysis Series #8 will profile individual client characteristics and movement trends. In addition, a summary of other policy and program changes due to budget considerations will be presented.

Copies of the entire series or the individual reports may be obtained free of charge from the State Developmental Disabilities Program Office. Tel.(612) 296-4018.)

WORKSHOP ON CONSULTATION

Feb. 10

A workshop entitled "Consultation in the Human Services: The Art and Skills" is being sponsored by the Department of Continuing Education in Social Work at the University of Minnesota, Earle Brown Continuing Education Center on the St. Paul campus. It runs from 8 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. William Koke, Ph.D., professor of social work at the University of Wisconsin-Extension, is the lead faculty member. Registration fee is \$43. For further information: Shirley Zimmerman (612) 373-5831.

YEARNING FOR LEARNING

The State Developmental Disabilities Program office has acquired several educational and training resource materials now available on a loan basis in each of the Regional Developmental Disabilities Offices and in the State Program office, St. Paul. Each month, this section of DD Information Exchange highlights selections from these resources. This service provides an opportunity for a potential buyer to ensure wise investments.

Social Skills for Severely Retarded Adults; An Inventory and Training Program, S. E. McClennen, R. R. Hoekstra and J.E. Bryan, Research Press, Champaign, Ill., 1980. Based on the tenet that every person is capable of learning, the authors of this publication have developed a basic social skills inventory and training program that covers behaviors essential to community adjustment. In addition to their outline of individual programs, their discussion and description of a basic social skills inventory and their guidelines for the implementation of the programs are so well thought out and organized that the guidelines can be used effectively by parents, paraprofessionals and professionals. (A commentary by R. C. Scheerenberger, Director of Development Center, Madison, Wis.)

Leisure Skills Curriculum for Severely Handicapped Persons, P. Wehman and S. Schleien, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, Va., 1979. This four-volume series outlines a detailed curriculum on object manipulation, games, hobbies and sports. The many suggested activities are each described by means of instructional objectives, materials needed, verbal cues, task analysis, correction procedures, activity guidelines and special adaptations. This useful guide can serve as an excellent time-saver for construction of individual and group plans. It also serves as a means to consider the many steps required for the successful accomplishment of a single activity.

Contemporary Assessment of Adaptive Behavior for Mentally Retarded Adolescents and Adults, A. Halpern, et al, University of Oregon, 1981. The book is developed under a grant from the Department of Education, and the National Institute of Handicapped Research. It is written for teachers, counselors and evaluators who need assessment information to help them decide which programs they will provide on an individualized basis to adolescents and adults whom they serve.

Adaptive behavior has been operationally defined into 51 domains of measurable behavior. The authors carefully review 23 instruments in conjunction with their definition of contemporary assessment--....those practices which clearly link the purposes and outcomes of assessment with the goals and techniques of instruction and other forms of service intervention." This approach is in contrast to traditional assessment, viewed as a practice whose primary intent has been to label and classify people. These classifications are done often for the purpose of determining eligibility to receive benefits from a service program. Reviews of each assessment instrument cover the following items: purpose, item content and format, materials and cost, administration and scoring, technical characteristics and other special considerations.

EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES REVIEWED BY
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA

As part of a series of topical papers on Developmental Disabilities ("D.D. Themes and Issues", the University of North Carolina has released A Review of Early Childhood Services; A State-of-the-Art Series, by R. Wiegerink, et al, 1981. The purpose of this state-of-the-art study of early childhood services is to review federal and state agency efforts and to explore models of local comprehensive service programs.

The study points to the need for more integration in administration and coordination of service delivery. States need interagency coordination for early childhood services and most likely they need a lead agency for ages birth to three and another agency for ages three through six. According to Wiegerink, the Developmental Disabilities program should be ideal for stimulating interagency cooperation and be a relatively unbiased evaluator of what the best lead agency or agencies in each state could be.

CHILDHOOD SERVICES (Continued)

Regarding federal programs alone, the study found 25 major programs providing services to meet the needs of young children. At the local level of service delivery, there are at least ten critical components identified that would make an ideal local comprehensive service system for young children with developmental disabilities. They include: a collaborative child-find program; multi- or trans-disciplinary diagnosis and assessment; individual treatment or habilitation plans; a case management system; a range of locally available, comprehensive intervention services; consumer involvement; a follow-along system; adequate pre-service and inservice staff training; theoretical adequacy and consistency, and evidence of program effectiveness.

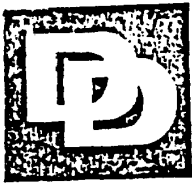
Price for the entire package (Themes and Issues Nos. 15-26) is \$30. Individual issue papers may also be purchased. Contact DD/TAS Publications and Print Products, Suite 300, NCNB Plaza, Chapel Hill, NC 27514. Tel. (919) 962-2001.

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Curriculum Library Rules

Materials in the DD Curriculum Library will not be sent to users. Materials must be picked up in person. Library materials in our office may be circulated only in the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area, which includes Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington Counties.

Other requests should be directed to local DD programs at the Regional Regional Development Commissions.

DD Resource Library Has New Items

A list of recent additions to the DD Resource Library is enclosed with this issue of Information Exchange. This material may be used only in the Metropolitan Council library.

State to Aid Educational Services for Hearing Impaired Persons

The Minnesota Department of Education administers a program that fully reimburses local school districts and community agencies that provide services to persons with hearing impairments. The Minnesota Legislature appropriated approximately \$30,000 for the period from July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982 and \$37,000 for the period from July 1, 1982 to June 30, 1982.

Services are available for both interpreting and notetaking. Interpreter services provide translation to an individual or group of adults. Notetaker services convert spoken language to written language under conditions where it is also necessary to maintain visual contact with the instructor or interpreter.

Interested individuals may request this assistance by contacting the school district or community agency providing the instruction. These agencies may then request an "Application for Funds--Support Services for Hearing Impaired Adults." For further information, call the Special Education Office at (612) 296-8246.

NOTE: The Metro Region DD Programs' "Capacity-Building" workshops qualify for fee reimbursement for persons who have hearing impairments.

EDUCATION GRANT AVAILABLE FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

The U.S. Department of Education has announced a grant to help educate children who are handicapped. The grant issues awards to help implement statewide plans for preschool and early education for the children and to accelerate provision of the services. The grant is called Handicapped Children's Early Education Program: New State Implementation Grants (CFDA No. 84.024C). The deadline is April 20, 1982. For information contact: Jane DeWeerd, Handicapped Children's Early Education Program, Special Education Programs, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Av. S.W., Washington, D.C. 20202-4714. Tel. (202) 245-9722.

BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS

An updated Guide to Recreational and Camping Program is available from the office of the Minneapolis Association for Retarded Citizens (MARC), 2344 Nicollet Av. S. Minneapolis, MN 55404. The cost is \$2.50. The guide contains information about leisure programs in Hennepin County and camping programs throughout Minnesota. All programs listed specialize in services to people who are mentally retarded.

For this Respite, Much Thanks... Concepts, Guidelines and Issues in the Development of Community Respite Care Services describes how respite care services and specialized training can help families care for disabled members at home. Order from Professional Services Program Dept., UCPA, 66 E. 34th St. New York, NY 10016. Cost: \$3. (Also available from DD curriculum libraries throughout the state.)

BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS (Continued)

Personal Computers for the Physically Disabled: A Resource Guide. This guide, produced by Apple Computer, Inc., provides basic information about personal computer applications for handicapped people. Computers can be the key to an independence that might not otherwise be possible. The guide describes some unique products and ground-breaking uses of personal computers by persons who are handicapped. To obtain copies, contact Apple Computer, Inc., 10260 Bandley Dr. Cupertino, CA 95014. Tel. (408) 996-1010.

SERVICES

Admission and Application Forms Becoming Uniform

The Developmental Services Organization, Inc., (DSO) recently completed a follow-up study of its project on uniform admission and application forms for residential facilities for developmentally disabled people. In the Metropolitan Area, all of the Human Services departments and all but four residential providers plan to use the forms. Preliminary feedback from an outstate follow-up study is equally encouraging.

DSO encourages all developmental service facilities not using the forms to call Jane Birks for more information. Tel. (612) 646-2711.

Library Provides Access for Deaf and Hearing-Impaired People

Hennepin County Library offers Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) service. Deaf and hearing-impaired persons who have access to a TDD may call the library for general information, reference service and reservation of library materials. Calls are answered by the Southdale Library switchboard during library hours: Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, 12-5 p.m.

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES
(Continued)

EMPLOYMENT

Small group homes in the Metropolitan Area for young adults who are mentally retarded need aides and substitutes to work weekends, weekday afternoons and evenings. Persons with academic or work experience with mentally retarded or emotionally disturbed young adults are preferred. For more information, call Kristina A. Felbeck, personnel director, at (612) 933-0248.

GIFTS

During March, Courage Center Homecrafters will sponsor two sales featuring gifts made by artisans with physical disabilities.

Clothing, toys, woodcrafts and other items will be displayed at the Southtown shopping center, Hwy. 494 and Penn, March 20 and at the Village North center in Brooklyn Park, March 26-27.

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES

March 9 and 13

Two identical workshops designed to inform parents of handicapped children of their legal rights and responsibilities in the educational field are being held this month. Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights (PACER) and the Special Education Council of the St. Paul Schools are sponsoring the workshop at the William Mitchell College of Law, 875 Summit Av., St. Paul. There is no charge. Advance registration is requested. For more information, contact PACER Center, Inc., 4701 Chicago Av. S., Minneapolis, MN 55407. Tel. (612) 827-2966.

March 29-April 2

The Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy in Madison, Wis., will sponsor a workshop: "Assessing Service Quality from a Normalization Perspective Using Program Analysis of Service Systems." For more information, contact Barb Billings, Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy, 2 West Mifflin St., Madison, WI 53703. Tel. (608) 249-5757.

March 29-June 12

Spring quarter extension classes offered by the Department of Continuing Education in Social Work, University of Minnesota, will be in session March 29-June 12. Three human services classes are as follows:

--"Organizational Development within Human Services" (SW 0312C) is taught by Frank Ouisenberry on Mondays 6:30- p.m., \$67.50, three certificate credits.

--"Fostering the Mentally Retarded" (SW 0031C) is taught by Bob Schauerhamer and Jan Gibson on Wednesdays, April 14 - May 14, 1982, 7-10 p.m. Call (612) 373-5831 and specify title of class.

--"Development of Paraprofessional Skills in Instruction" (four different schedules), will be taught by Mary Lou Gilstad. For more information, call (612) 376-7424.

April 19

"Managing Aggressive Disruptive Behavior" is a workshop on how to manage behavior without violating human and legal rights. It will be held from 8-4 p.m. in the Earle Brown Continuing Education Center on the St. Paul campus of the University of Minnesota. Registration fee is \$47. For more information, contact Mary Kay Wood, program director, or Dawn Kolumbus, program assistant, at the Continuing Education in Social Work, 338 Nolte Center, 315 Pillsbury Dr. SE., University of Minnesota, MN 55455. Tel. (612) 373-5831.

Community Reactions to Deinstitutionalization. Carol K. Sigelman, Cynthia L. Spanhel, Cathy D. Lorenzen, University of Texas.

Discusses the fact that opposition to community-based residential facilities for the developmentally disabled is often grounded in misconceptions such as property values will decrease and that crime will increase.

Community Residential Alternatives for the Developmentally Disabled. James R. Gardner, December 1977.

Describes a system for providing comprehensive community residential living for the developmentally disabled.

MISCELLANEOUS

Accessible Fashions. Susan Voorhees and Angela Thompson.

Helpful suggestions for clothing for disabled people.

NEED ASSESSMENTS

Assessment of Need for a Childrens' Transitional Care Facility. The Junior League of St. Paul, Inc. and the St. Paul Section of the National Council of Jewish Women. Minnesota, August 1978.

A community study that assesses the need for, and the feasibility of providing transitional health care for developmentally disabled children in the Twin City Area.

REHABILITATION

Independent Living Rehabilitation for Severely Handicapped People. The Urban Institute, Washington, D.C. 1978.

Reports on the initial findings of the demonstration projects undertaken by the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare on the needs of severely handicapped people and the extent to which their needs are met.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

Minnesota Model Standards Minnesota Department of Public Welfare-MR Program Division, January 1980.

A report presenting the development, pilot-testing and evaluation of a model quality assurance mechanism for residential program services for those who are mentally retarded.

TRAINING

A Helpful Guide in the Training of a Mentally Retarded Child. Elsie Blanton, PHN, Richmond, VA. 1968.

Should be helpful to physicians, nurses, teachers, parents and others who are interested in training, stimulating and motivating mentally retarded children.,

ADDITIONS TO DD RESOURCE LIBRARY

ADVOCACY

Aids to Advocacy. Developmental Disabilities Protection and Advocacy System, Minnesota State Planning Agency, January 1979.

A bibliography and resource guide that will assist those who have the desire learn more about the advocacy theory and techniques as well as how to keep abreast of new information and events.

Potential Funding Sources for Advocacy Programs. Developmental Disabilities Protection and Advocacy System, State Planning Agency, St. Paul, MN.

A guide to potential funding sources that will aid advocates working for the rights of developmentally disabled persons.

COMMUNITY SERVICE SYSTEMS

Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded(ICF-MR). Iowa Developmental Disabilities Program, Des Moines, Iowa. December 1980.

An overview of the intent, development, provisions for services and current usage of Medicaid funds in ICF-MR settings.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Residential Opportunities for Developmental Disabled Offenders. Thomas J. Schmid, Sharon Southard, Cristine E. Boswell, Cynthia Ann La Coeur, Minnesota, January 1979.

A directory of residential facilities that are willing to accept developmentally disabled clients who have been convicted of criminal offenses or adjudged delinquent. The facilities have been categorized on a geographic basis, using the eleven Minnesota Development Regions.

DEINSTITUTIONALIZATION

A Model For Deinstitutionalization. R. C. Scheerenberger, Madison, WI. December 1974.

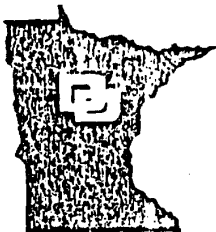
Explores some of the problems associated with this process and considers five aspects deemed important to a successful effort.

Barriers to Deinstitutionalization in Minnesota. Wendy Bliss-Brown, June 1978.

A paper presented to the Advocacy and Protective Services Committee of the Governor's Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Summary of Findings Presented to House Committee on Deinstitutionalization. Minnesota 1976.

A paper on Costs of Care, Quality of Care in the state (institutional and community-based) and roles and responsibilities of various levels of government in the provision of care.



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QUIE FILLS STATE DD COUNCIL VACANCIES

Five people have been reappointed and 11 were newly appointed by Gov. Al Quie in February to serve on the Governor's Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Reappointments are:

- Mary Hinze, parent of handicapped children, counselor, Association for Retarded Citizens of St. Paul (three-year term).
- Raymond F. Lundgren, St. Paul, learning disability (two-year term).
- Elaine M. Saline, St. Paul, health coordinator, Ramsey County Nursing Service (three-year term).
- Kurt E. Strom, St. Paul, asst. director of the Council for the Handicapped (two-year term).
- Marvin Tritz, Dumont, parent of handicapped child, board member, Association for Retarded Citizens of Minnesota (three-year term).

New appointments are:

- Richard S. Amado, psychologist and building director, Brainerd State Hospital (one-year term).
- Douglas H. Butler, Rochester, Exec. Director, Hiawatha Children's Home (three-year term).
- Roger A. Deneen, director, Pine County Developmental Achievement Center, Sandstone (two-year term).
- Eric Errickson, director of research and evaluation, Cambridge State Hospital (three-year term).
- Marian F. Greiner, parent of son with cerebral palsy, work activity coordinator, North Country Industries, Bemidji (one-year term).
- Virginia Hanel, Mankato, mother of son with severe handicaps (two-year term).
- Robert A. Johnson, Duluth, Arrowhead Epilepsy League (two-year term).

COUNCIL VACANCIES (Continued)

- Virginia Marolt, Gilbert, parent of mentally retarded son, secretary for Association of Retarded Citizens (ARC) Minnesota, treasurer, ARC Range Center (three-year term).
- Ruth M. Rafteseth, Crookston, parent of son with Downs Syndrome, part-time secretary, Probation Office, Polk County Courthouse. (three-year term)
- Kathleen E. Sturre, Staples, has epilepsy and is a parent of handicapped children. Employed by Todd County Social Services, Long Prairie (one-year term).
- Marae A. Wett, parent of child with developmental disability, exec. director of a parent support group in Edina (one-year term).

Dr. Richard Nelson was appointed to a two-year term as Chair of the Council. Dr. Nelson is director of services for children with handicaps in the Minnesota Department of Health.

HANDICAPPED TRAVELERS' CLEARINGHOUSE

A clearinghouse offers travel information tailored to the needs of persons with handicaps. Updated files covering accessible sites, accommodations, tourist attractions, public facilities and transportation help create an itinerary for the traveler for international and domestic trips. For more information write: Travel Information Center, Moss Rehabilitation Hospital, 12th St. and Tabor Rd., Philadelphia, PA 19141.

POLICY ANALYSIS SERIES COMPLETES
DEVELOPMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT CENTERS STUDY

The Developmental Disabilities Program Office recently released Policy Analysis Series Number 8 and 9. This completes the survey of 106 Developmental Achievement Centers (DACs) in Minnesota. The study is a cooperative effort between the Department of Public Welfare, The Minnesota Developmental Achievement Center Association and the Minnesota Developmental Disabilities Program.

Policy Analysis Series #8 is entitled "The Client Status of Minnesota Developmental Achievement Centers: 1980-1982." A total of 5,154 people are enrolled in DACs, with 73 percent in adult programs (age 21 and above.) Fifty-six percent of the clients are 21 to 50 years old. Seventeen percent are 50 years or older. Twenty-four percent of the DAC population are pre-schoolers up to four years of age. Due to legislatively mandated public school enrollment at age four, the number of children age 4 to 21 in DACs has decreased to three percent.

While 45 percent of DAC clients live in their natural or adoptive homes, nearly as many (41 percent) live in Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR) or group homes.

The study showed client mobility was lacking. This may indicate a lack of employment, transportation, residential arrangements or other support services. Currently 450 clients are ready to move into work activity or sheltered work situations, according to the study. Approximately 300 adults are on DAC waiting lists for program services and work activity placements. At the same time, statewide admission data indicates that DACs are admitting more people than they are graduating.

DAC STUDY (Continued)

Policy Analysis Series #9 is entitled "Summary of Issues, Program and Clients in Minnesota Developmental Achievement Centers: 1980-82." This report underscores the interdependence of the many components of the service system. Cutbacks or bottlenecks anywhere in the provision of services will eventually have an impact at the DAC level, the report says. Current DAC problems, fiscal or otherwise, will not be solved easily or quickly, says the report. Problems will require thoughtful solutions at all levels---state, county and local.

Copies of the entire series, or individual reports, may be obtained free of charge from the State Developmental Disabilities Program Office. Tel. (612) 296-4018.

CAMP COURAGE MINI-VACATIONS

Physically disabled people and their families can enjoy inexpensive mini-vacations through the family camping program at Camp Courage, near Maple Lake, Minn.

Families with disabled members have the opportunity to enjoy recreational activities in a quiet, barrier-free retreat. Bedroom apartments with kitchen facilities can be rented on a day-to-day basis for a nominal fee, which includes free use of the camp's indoor swimming pool, gymnasium and other recreational activities. The camp's staff can help families enjoy horseback riding, cross-country skiing and videotape cinematography.

For information contact the Camping Department, Courage Center, 3915 Golden Valley Rd., Golden Valley, Minn. 55422. Tel. (612) 588-0811.

REGULATION OF INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES FOR MENTALLY RETARDED

In an effort to meet President Reagan's goal of increased state flexibility and program deregulation, the Health Care Financing Administration is reviewing its rules and regulations governing the statutory provisions of the Title XIX-Medicaid program. It is currently reviewing Medicaid rules governing skilled nursing facilities. By early spring, review of regulations governing intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded (ICF/MR) should be completed. These rules apply to both large and small facilities.

The Long Term Care Division is reportedly considering the following changes:

- Trimming excessive paperwork and recordkeeping requirements in existing regulations;
- Clarifying responsibilities of qualified mental retardation professionals;
- Clarifying responsibilities of state survey teams, especially concerning adequacy of services rendered to ICF/MR residents;
- Clarifying the meaning and intent of the "active treatment" requirement;
- Clarifying the client evaluation, treatment and reporting process; Reviewing the existing direct care staffing ratio; and
- Reviewing professional staffing requirements.

March 1982 is the proposed deadline for internal review. A notice on proposed rulemaking will be put in the Federal Register by early fall.

SUGARMAN RESPONDS TO BLOCK GRANT REGULATIONS

The Department of Health and Human Services issued regulations governing the P.L. 97-35 block grants last year. Mr. Jule Sugarman, former director of the Head Start Program and now president and managing director of Human Services Information Center, a private consulting firm, made the following observations on the effects of the P.L. 97-35 block grants program:

- "There are no state or local funds to replace lost federal funds. Program cutbacks are already under way."
- "Most states were ill-prepared to move quickly, but the transition provisions in the final legislation allow time for states to do a good job of planning if they want to do so. Some do; some have no idea of what that means."
- "Effective coalitions of advocates for human services are rare."
- "Most people who participated are appalled at what was happening, but think it is up to somebody else to do something. Some desire to act and pursue coalitions, but there is a wariness of futility and potential internal turf battles." (From: Word from Washington, Vol.12, No. 11, Dec. 1981, pp. 10, 11.)

ART SHOW BY DISABLED ARTISTS

More than 400 works of art by over 120 disabled artists from the United States and around the world, will be displayed on the 2nd floor of the Sister Kenny Institute, 800 E. 28th St., Minneapolis from 7 p.m., Apr. 22 through May 7.

The exhibition will be open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays and 1-4 p.m. weekends. Pre-show displays are to be held at Honeywell's main office, 3M and 1st Bank of St. Paul. For further information call Mary Ellefson, Community Relations and Advocacy Department. Tel. 612) 874-4577.

JOURNAL ANALYZES RELATION BETWEEN PEDIATRICS AND SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Jan. 1982 edition of Exceptional Children contains several articles addressing the collaborative interactions between special education and pediatrics. These disciplines have differences in style and approach to the problem of disabilities.

The articles discuss newly developed pediatric training programs and the changing roles of pediatricians. One article concludes, "If in fact, the activities and trends described are accurate indicators of future efforts, then there has indeed been a qualitative shift in the relationship between pediatrics and special education; a relationship, it is hoped, that will benefit children and their families in the years ahead."

Exceptional Children is published by the Council for Exceptional Children, 1920 Association Dr., Reston, Va. 22091. Tel. (toll free) 1-800-336-3728.

MODIFICATION OF ACCESSIBLE DESIGN REGULATIONS DRAWS PUBLIC REACTION

The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board in Washington, D.C. has published proposed revisions to its minimum guidelines and requirements for accessible design. Modified rules were issued in the Federal Register on Jan. 27, 1982. The modifications ease tension between federal and public members over an earlier proposal to rescind the regulation altogether.

Public reaction during a 90-day public comment period preceding the board's Dec. 1st meeting turned the tide. The board received 3,366 timely comments on the earlier proposal to rescind its own rule, most opposing rescission.

The deadline for submission of comments on the new revisions is March 15. Copies of the Federal Register notice are available in print and on cassette from the Public Information Office, Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, Rm. 1010, 330 C St., Washington, D.C. 20202. Tel. (202) 245-1591.

TELEVISED COURSE ON REHABILITATION

Using satellite technology, the Rehabilitation Services Network (RSN) offers a new approach to learning in the field of rehabilitation.

Televised conferences are being scheduled by the RSN sponsor, the West Virginia Research and Training Center of the National Institute on Handicapped Research. Minnesota is one of 19 states that receives the network. The local station is KTCA/KTCI-TV Studio, 1640 Como Av., St. Paul, Minn. 55108, Tel. (612) 646-4611. The local facilitator is Mary Schumacher at the Multi-Resource Center in Minneapolis, (612) 871-2402.

Continuing education credits are available. Registration and fee payment must be arranged in advance with the sponsor, Rehabilitation Services Network, West Virginia Research and Training Center, One Dunbar Plaza, Suite E, Dunbar, W. Va. 25064. The toll-free number (voice or TTY) is 1-800-624-8284.

Dates and topics scheduled are:
March 23 --"Employer Development," taught by Dave Molinaro, Training Associate with the West Virginia Research and Training Center.

May 4 --"Motivation...Counseling to Reduce Client Dependency," taught by Dr. Joseph B. Moriarty, Ph.D., Director of West Virginia Research and Training Center and Professor of Clinical Psychology at West Virginia University.
June 8, 9--"The Preliminary Diagnostic Questionnaire," taught by Elizabeth Minton, Director of Training at the West Virginia Research and Training Center.

BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS TO HOLD SPRING CONFERENCE

"Behavior Management" is the subject of the spring conference of the Minnesota Association of Behavior Analysts (ABA) to be held at the Mankato Holiday Inn March 26-27. Chairpersons are Mike Fatis and Bill Wooten. For information, write Peggy Graham, PACE Program, Box 349, Brainerd State Hospital, Brainerd, Minn. 56401.

WORKSHOPS ON TEACHING SEVERELY
HANDICAPPED LEARNERS OFFERED

The Psychoeducational Studies Department of the University of Minnesota and the Upper Midwest Regional Resource Center are co-sponsoring a series of workshops featuring nationally recognized leaders in the education of severely handicapped students. Participation will be limited to the first 100 persons registered for each session. University credit is available by registering for PsyS 5126 (4 credits for attending all sessions.) Continuing Education credits are available by registering for PsyS 5304 (1 to 4 credits). A fee of \$35 per session will cover tuition and materials.

Dates, presentors and topics are:

April 2-3--"Functional Curricula to Prepare Severely Handicapped Students for Community Environments: Overview and Educational Best Practices." Lou Brown, Ph.D., Department of Behavioral Sciences, University of Wisconsin.

April 16-17--"Instructional Technology for Severely Handicapped Learners: Skill Acquisition." Martha Snell, Ph.D., Department of Special Education, University of Virginia.

April 23-24--"Instructional Technology for Severely Handicapped Learners: The Individualized Curriculum Sequency Model." Marilyn Mulligan, Ph.D., Department of Special Education, University of Kansas.

May 7-8--"Design of High School Progress for Severely Handicapped Learners: Curriculum Content and Service Delivery." Barbara Wilcox, Ph.D., Div. of Special Education and Rehabilitation, University of Oregon.

For additional information, please call Upper Midwest Regional Resource Center, Tel. (612) 376-3533.

PUBLIC HEALTH SEMINARS OFFERED

Maternal and Child Health Seminars will be offering one graduate credit in PubH 5648 through the School of Public Health and Extension at the University of Minnesota. Seminars are conducted from 3:15-4:30 p.m. monthly on dates listed below. Sessions are tape-recorded and are available at the Bio-Medical Library Learning Center. Tapes from previous seminars may be listened to in approximately half a day. Seminars will be held at the Health Sciences Unit A 2-620 on the following dates:

April 1--"Legal and Consumer Advocacy for Chronically Ill and Handicapped Children." Lecturer: Attorney from Legal Advocacy Services for persons with Developmental Disabilities in Minnesota.

May 6--"Self Esteem, Identity and the Chronically Ill Child: Attitudinal Barriers." Presentors: Rianne Leaf and LeAnne Nelson with the 'Count Me In' puppets from PACER, Inc.

For more information, call Barbara L. Leonard (612) 373-5414, or Jan Rubenstein (612) 373-5433.

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE
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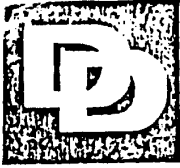
St. Cloud University is offering graduate credits on "Supervision of Programs for the Severely/Profoundly Handicapped," June 8-15, 1982. This seven-day intensive training session to be held in the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area, is intended for upgrading and renewing skills of persons employed in supervisory leadership capacities in public school programs for the severely handicapped. Submit a letter of inquiry to Dr. Richard Johnson, Institute Director, Department of Special Education, St. Cloud University, St. Cloud, MN 56301.

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Grant Information

Information on Requests for Proposals (RFPs) issued by the Minnesota Developmental Disabilities Program is located in the State Supplement of this issue (blue section). There are two categories of grants: one set of RFPs will be funded by federal funds under the Developmental Disabilities Act, PL 95-602; the other set will be funded by the McKnight Foundation.

All Twin Cities Metropolitan Area applicants submitting proposals on respite care must also send a copy to the Metropolitan Council for an A-95 Review by April 30, 1982. For more information on these reviews, call Toni Lippert, the Council's developmental disabilities program manager at (612) 291-6364.

Copies of all Requests for Proposals may be obtained from the state DD Program, 201 Capitol Square Bldg., 550 Cedar, St. Paul, MN 55101. For more information, call Ron Kaliszewski, grants administrator, at (612) 296-4018.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Correction

The February issue of the DD Information Exchange listed a new foundation, the Chicago Resource Center, as a source of funds for newer, grass roots, developmental disabilities organizations. An inquiry by a local agency indicated that the information was not correct. This foundation's interest does not include projects related to individuals who are developmentally disabled. We regret the error.

Agency Seeks Information

Project: RESCUE, an outreach agency serving adults and children who are mentally retarded, is developing consumer information concerning case management, support and home-based services. Project: RESCUE is seeking information about research and consumer information in use by other agencies. If you have information to offer, contact Gillian Grable, Individual Program Developer, Project: RESCUE, 1465 NW. Northside Dr., #16, Atlanta, GA 30318.

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* unrequested duplicates, please inform us by calling (612) 291-6363 *
* or by writing: DD Information Exchange, 300 Metro Square Bldg., *
* 7th and Robert Sts., St. Paul, MN 55101. *
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FOR YOUR INFORMATION (Continued)

Vocational Educational Board to Hold Hearing

The State Board for Vocational Education will chair a public hearing to update its educational goals, including goals for persons who are mentally retarded or physically handicapped. The hearing will be held at the St. Paul Area Vocational-Technical Institute auditorium, 235 Marshall Av., on Wednesday, April 14, 1982, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and continuing until all interested persons have had an opportunity to participate. Representatives of school districts, associations, interested groups and individuals may submit either oral or written data and statements. Persons may submit statements by mail without personally appearing at the hearing, to Mr. Robert Bocklund, State Plan Specialist, State Plan Operational Services Section, Division of Vocational-Technical Education, Room 551, Capitol Square Bldg., St. Paul, MN 55101. Tel. (612) 296-2421.

Copies of proposed amendments will be available April 1, 1982, at the State Department of Education, Room 551, Capitol Square Bldg., St. Paul, MN 55101. Additional copies will be available at the hearing.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION (Continued)

Video-Tape Available on Budget Cut Effects on Programs for Mentally Retarded

A video-tape of a television program on the effect of budget cuts on people who are mentally retarded is available for loan from the Association for Retarded Citizens Minnesota (ARC Minnesota). There is no charge for this service.

The tape is from a program ARC Minnesota aired on the KTCA-TV program, "People and Causes," originally broadcast on Jan. 2, 1982. The program features a mentally retarded adult, and parents of a mentally retarded child, school-age child and adult. The discussion centers on helpful programs and ways that proposed budget cuts could affect others with similar needs. Panelists are Tom Rusch, Margaret Bauman, Sally Swallen and Gloria Steinbring, members of ARC Minnesota.

To borrow this 30-minute, 3/4" video cassette, contact ARC Minnesota, 3225 Lyndale Av. S., Minneapolis, MN 55408. Tel. (612) 827-5641 or toll-free (800) 582-5656. Please request at least two weeks in advance.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

U. of M. Seeks Teachers

The Department of Continuing Education in Social Work at the University of Minnesota is seeking applications for part-time teaching positions. The positions are in noncredit or certificate credit programs in general social work, foster care education and early childhood studies. Appointments will be from Sept. 1, 1982, through Aug. 31, 1983. Send a letter of application and resume, including the courses you feel you would be qualified to teach, to: Director, Continuing Education in Social Work, 338 Nolte Center, University of Minnesota, 315 SE. Pillsbury Dr., Minneapolis, MN 55455.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES (Continued)

Volunteer Available

A qualified occupational therapist from Switzerland, who will be visiting the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area this summer, is willing to volunteer her professional services at a summer camp for handicapped persons in return for room and board. For details on the volunteer's professional qualifications, length of stay, etc., call Ted Simons at (612) 489-1338.

Interpreter Wanted

The St. Paul Public Schools system is seeking applications for the position of Educational Assistant-Interpreter. Primary duties include substituting for interpreters who are absent, using American sign language, manually coded English and speech-reading oral techniques. Send an application and a letter containing a statement of training and experience to Dr. Phillip D. Penn, Assistant Director of Personnel, Administration Bldg., Personnel Office, 360 Colborne St., MN 55102.

NEW SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

Courage Residence Offers Respite Care

Courage Residence offers a respite care program, for one to four weeks, for handicapped persons living in the community who need a place to live while their attendant or family caretaker takes a leave. Nursing care, meals and recreational opportunities will be provided and additional therapy will be available in selective cases. For admission criteria, procedures and other information, contact Courage Center, 3915 Golden Valley Rd., Golden Valley, MN 55422. Tel. (612) 588-0811.

NEW SERVICES AND PROGRAMS (Continued)

Epilepsy League Opens New Office

The Minnesota Epilepsy League Inc. announces that its new St. Paul office will be open daily from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. The office is located in Room 209 of the Nalpak Building 333 Sibley St., St. Paul. Tel. (612) 227-8373.

Graduate Course in Sensory Impairment Offered

The department of special education at the University of Arizona is offering a graduate course in multihandicapped sensory impairment. Completion of the two-year program leads to a master's degree in Education. A limited number of fellowships will be offered on a competitive basis. For information, contact: Jan Writer, Department of Special Education, College of Education, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721.

Regional Service Center Opens

The Regional Service Center for hearing-impaired persons has opened at 1020 Summit Bank Building, 310 4th Av. S., Minneapolis. Bruce Hodek is the center's supervisor.

The center is to be an advocate for people who are hearing-impaired and to assist in securing interpreters and referral services. It will also be a center for books, pamphlets and will display and loan devices enabling deaf people to communicate by telephone. The center has a social worker from the Department of Public Welfare, an interpreter and a clerical support person. Tel. (612) 341-7100 (Voice TTY).

NSP Installs Telephone Device for Deaf

To assist its customers who have hearing impairments, the Northern States Power Co. (NSP) has installed a TDD, a telephone communication device. When calling NSP for information on a bill, or calling in a meter reading or question about other NSP services, call 333-8080. The TDD is also available to customers making a business call from downtown Minneapolis.

GIFTS

Disabled Artisans to Sell Crafts

Courage Center Homecrafters will sponsor three sales in April featuring gifts made by artisans with physical disabilities.

Clothing, toys and other items will be displayed at: Brighton Village, New Brighton, April 17; Valley West shopping center in Bloomington, April 30-May 1; and at Ridgedale shopping center in Minnetonka, May 3-8.

Thrift Store Opens

Value Village is a new thrift store operated by the Association for Retarded Citizens Minneapolis to support its many programs. Located at 6412 Penn Av. S., the store sells clothing, household items and small appliances at reasonable prices. Your tax-deductible donations are invited. Tel. (612) 866-3633.

SUMMER CAMPING

The Twin Cities Society for Autistic Children is offering camping for autistic persons at Camp Wilder, Marine-on-the-St. Croix. Dates are Aug 1-7 for campers age 7-12 and Aug. 8-14 for campers age 3-21.

For information and registration forms, call (612) 642-0942.

Courage Center is offering camping at Camp Courage or at Courage North. Applicants must be at least seven years old and have a physical disability or speech, hearing or vision impairment. To register for family camping, summer camping or to work as a camp counselor, contact the camping department at Courage Center, 3915 Golden Valley Rd., Golden Valley, MN 55422. Tel. (612) 588-0811.

SUMMER CAMPING (Continued)

Camp Indian Chief, operated by the Association for Retarded Citizens Minneapolis, offers several summer camping and recreation programs starting June 20. For information on programs, registration and camperships, contact Camp Indian Chief, Association for Retarded Citizens Minneapolis, 2344 Nicollet Av. S. Minneapolis, MN 55404. Tel. (612) 874-6650.

RECREATION

The Washburn Child Guidance Center, 2430 Nicollet Av. S., Minneapolis, is sponsoring a "Children's Art Opening" to celebrate individual creativity, on April 9, 4:30-6:30 p.m. This activity ends an artist-in-residence program for special needs children made possible by a grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board.

The 12th Annual Metropolitan Concert is scheduled for May 18, 11 a.m. at O'Shaughnessy Auditorium, St. Catherine's College in St. Paul. This concert is for people who are mentally retarded. Group home operators and parents may receive more information by calling Jody Seltzer, Association for Retarded Citizens Minneapolis, Tel. (612) 874-6650.

Dakota County Association for Retarded Citizens is offering several recreational programs such as swimming, dancing, arts and crafts. For more information, or for registration forms, call (612) 457-2588.

The West Area Adaptive Recreation/Education program offers several activities for young adults who are mentally retarded and for autistic children age 7-13. For more information call 1200 On the Avenue at (612) 935-1200.

BOOKS, PUBLICATIONS

The Spina Bifida Association of Minnesota, Inc. has many books and pamphlets on loan at its library. Contact: Christy Bateman, 3925 Xylon Av. N., New Hope, MN 55427. Tel. (612) 544-1728.

The Minneapolis Association for the Hearing Impaired has information kits for parents of newly diagnosed, hearing-impaired children. The kits include information about hearing impairment, hearing aids and special education laws. There is no charge to parents, but there is a \$2 charge for non-parents. To order a kit, or for more information, call Barbara Flanigan at (612) 374-2982.

Accessible Fashions is a book that encourages consumers, designers and manufacturers to create and fulfill a market for fashionable but accessible clothing for people who are disabled. It was written by Angela Thompson and Susan Voorhees who have a professional interest in fashions, and because of their own disabilities, have a personal interest in fashion for disabled people. The book was commissioned by the National Access Center and supported by grants from the Design Arts Program and the Office of Special Constituencies of the National Endowment for the Arts. It is available for \$1 from National Access Center, 1419 NW. 27th St., Washington, D.C. 20007.

This publication is also available at the Metropolitan Council in the DD Resource Library if you wish to review it before ordering.

WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES

The Minnesota Epilepsy League, Inc., is sponsoring the following meetings and workshops:

April 14

General Informational/Membership meeting, 7-9 p.m. at the Francis Cabrini Church, Franklin Av. and SE. 27th St., Minneapolis.

April 21-May 26

"Adult Self-Help" is the subject of six consecutive weekly workshops to be held 7-9 p.m. at the Citizens' Aid Bldg., 404 S. 8th St., Minneapolis. Topics to be discussed include medical information on epilepsy, community resources and problem solving. Cost for the six sessions is \$15.

April 22-June 10

"Teen Self-Help/Parent Support Group" is the subject of eight consecutive workshops to be held from 7-9 p.m. at the Minneapolis YMCA at 9th St. and LaSalle, Minneapolis. These workshops will include information on employment, career opportunities, community resources, medical information and problem solving. Cost for the eight sessions is \$15.

For more information, call Terri Houle, (612) 340-7630.

April 17

"You in 82" is the third annual Metro Consumer Conference sponsored by the Associations of Retarded Citizens of Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Anoka and Dakota Counties. It will be held at the Colonial Church of Edina, from 12:30-9 p.m. The conference is designed for and by people who are mentally retarded and offers a number of workshops for consumers: the use of health care, competitive employment, rights as a group home resident, and relationships.

For registration forms, call Association for Retarded Citizens Minneapolis, (612) 874-6650. Fee for the conference is \$5.

WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES (Continued)

April 24

The second annual meeting and banquet of the Deafness Education and Advocacy Foundation (D.E.A.F.) at the Sheraton Airport Inn, 2525 E. 78th St., Bloomington, will start with a social hour at 5:30 p.m. The speaker will be Dr. Steven K. Chough, president, American Deafness and Rehabilitation Association. Registration deadline is April 15, 1982. For more information, call Linda Nelson at (612) 938-8694 (TTY) after 7 p.m. or Mary Lou Gorski at (612) 785-8220 (TTY or voice), during daytime hours.

1200 On The Avenue is sponsoring the following sessions that will provide answers for parents who are considering group living for their child or young adult:

April 29

"From a Group Home Point of View" will include history, application process and availability of group homes. The sessions for parents from 7:30-9 p.m.

May 6

"Residential Living, Rules, Regulations and Red Tape" is a session to discuss parents' rights and responsibilities, types and sizes of group homes and group homes rules. The session is for parents from 7:30 -9 p.m.

May 13

"Family Issues" is a session providing an opportunity for parents and young people to address concerns about moving to a group home. The session is for parents and potential group home residents from 7:30-9 p.m.
(1200 On the Avenue continued in next column).

WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES (Continued)

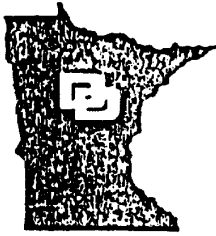
May 15

Parents and potential group home residents will tour three or four group home facilities in the west and northwest areas of Hennepin County. The tour runs from 10-3 p.m.

All meetings will be held at the West Hennepin Community Center, 1200 Excelsior Av., Hopkins. There is no charge for the sessions. To register, call (612) 935-1201 before April 15.

May 8

United Cerebral Palsy of Minnesota will sponsor "Positive Self Advocacy for the 80's," a seminar that will focus on individual and consumer advocacy. It will be held from 8 a.m.-3:45 p.m. at the Landmark Center, 5th and Washington St. in St. Paul. There is no charge for the seminar. For more information call Barbara Berglund at (612) 935-0873 or United Cerebral Palsy of Minnesota at (612) 646-7588. (If you receive a recorded message, please leave your name and phone number for a return call.)



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MINNESOTA NATIVE APPOINTED COMMISSIONER OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

April 1982

Dr. Jean K. Elder, educational psychologist, was recently appointed commissioner of The Administration on Developmental Disabilities in the federal Department of Health and Human Services. Dr. Elder was born in Virginia, Minn., in 1941. She has Ph.D. and masters degrees in psychology and an undergraduate degree in education from the University of Michigan.

Prior to her appointment, Dr. Elder served as director of the Upper Peninsula office of the Michigan Protection and Advocacy Service for Developmentally Disabled Citizens. She had been a special education consultant for the Michigan Department of Education in Lansing and an associate professor at both Michigan State University and Northern Michigan University in Marquette.

She is the author of numerous publications in the field of developmental disabilities, mental retardation and special education and has lectured to state, national and international audiences.

TWO REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS ISSUED FOR McKNIGHT FUNDS

The Developmental Disabilities Program has announced a request for proposals (RFPs) in two areas: 1) modifying developmental achievement centers (DACs) to make them wheelchair accessible; and 2) solving problems in regional service delivery provided to persons with developmental disabilities. Financial support will come from the state

PROPOSAL REQUESTS (Continued)

Developmental Disabilities program through the use of a McKnight Foundation grant. Applicants must be public or private non-profit organizations.

Up to \$100,000 is available for projects in each area. Organizations receiving grants to modify DACs are expected to have the work completed by Sept. 1, 1983. The deadline for receipt of application in the state office is 5 p.m., May 14, 1982.

Organizations receiving grants to solve regional service delivery problems are expected to begin work on projects no later than Oct. 1, 1982, for a grant period of one year. The deadline for receipt of applications will be 5 p.m., May 28, 1982.

Guidelines for the preparation of an application are available from the developmental disabilities program office. Contact Ronald E. Kaliszewski, Grants Manager, Developmental Disabilities Program, 201 Capitol Square Bldg., 550 Cedar St., St. Paul, MN 55101. Tel. (612) 297-3207.

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PROGRAM TO DEMONSTRATE MODEL PROJECTS OF RESPITE CARE SERVICES

The Developmental Disabilities Program has announced that it is seeking proposals from eligible public and private non-profit organizations to provide respite care services for persons with developmental disabilities. A total of \$175,000 is available for a one-year period for up to 10 projects. Individual grants will not exceed \$30,000. Organizations receiving grants are to begin work by Oct. 1, 1982. Subsequent funding depends upon priorities established by the Governor's Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities.

The application deadline is 5 p.m., April 30, 1982. Application guidelines are available from the Developmental Disabilities Program office, 201 Capitol Square Bldg., 550 Cedar St., St. Paul, MN 55101, Attn. Ronald E. Kaliszewski, Grants Manager. Tel. (612) 297-3207.

SHOW FILMS ON RAINY APRIL DAYS

For those drab, rainy April days ahead, an exciting movie can provide diversion and a learning experience. For more information, contact the Audio Visual Library Service, Continuing Education and Extension, University of Minnesota, 3300 University Av. SE., Minneapolis, MN 55414. Tel. (612) 373-3810.

MNASH ELECTS OFFICERS

The newly organized Minnesota Association for The Severely Handicapped (MNASH) has announced results of its first election of officers from among its 70-plus members. Elected for three-year terms are:

- Neil Doughty, executive director of Educational Assistance, Inc.
- Marilyn Jensen, Ph.D., assistant psychology professor, St. Cloud State University.
- Mary Kudla, technical assistance specialist, Department of Public Welfare.

MNASH (Continued)

Elected for two-year terms are:

- Lyle Wray, Ph.D., court monitor for the Welsch vs. Noot consent decree.
- Barbara L. Berglund who has cerebral palsy and holds a masters degree in Rehabilitation and Special Education from Mankato State University.
- Toni Lippert, program manager for the Metro Developmental Disabilities program, Metropolitan Health Board of the Metropolitan Council.

Elected for one-year terms are:

- Charlotte Ryan, federal programs specialist, Special Education, Minnesota Department of Education.
- Erick Errickson, research scientist, Cambridge State Hospital.
- Robert Teeling, special education program supervisor, Roseville School District.

MNASH was launched last fall with help from the state Developmental Disabilities Program. More than 200 people attended its inaugural conference. Inquiries about MNASH and membership may be directed to any of the new board members listed above.

COMPAS ANNOUNCES THEATER WORKSHOPS

COMPAS, a statewide community arts organization, will conduct a series of theater workshops for physically disabled adults. The 10 sessions will focus on stage techniques and acting. The workshops will be held beginning Wednesday, April 7, 6-8 p.m. in the auditorium of The Little Sisters of The Poor, 330 S. Exchange St., St. Paul. The class fee is \$20 and enrollment is limited to 15 participants. To register, contact COMPAS, 75 W. 5th St., St. Paul, MN 55102, Attn. Kathee Foran. Tel. (612) 292-3249.

CONTROL DATA AND COUNCIL FOR THE HANDICAPPED TO JOIN FORCES

The Minnesota State Council for the Handicapped and Control Data Corp. have formed a partnership to improve and expand information and referral services. Under provisions of a \$20,000 grant from Control Data, the council will upgrade its information on services and laws. In addition, the future of the microcomputer will be explored. "This (process) will give us an opportunity to expand and improve our ability to serve out-state areas and to know more about resources for all disabilities," explained Jane Baird, information and referral officer for the council.

AUDIO VISUAL MEDIA SOUGHT

The Association for the Severely Handicapped (TASH) is seeking films, videotapes and slide tapes dealing with all aspects of services, programs and community living arrangements of severely handicapped individuals. Such media are needed at the Ninth Annual Conference in Denver, Nov. 4-6, 1982. Contact Dueretha Williams, Conference Coordinator, TASH, 7010 NE. Roosevelt Way, Seattle, WA 98115. Tel. (206) 523-8446.

COURAGE CENTER OFFERS LIFE ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Exciting educational opportunities are available to adults with physical disabilities through Life Enrichment classes at Courage Center in Golden Valley. The spring session begins April 13 and includes daytime classes in clayworks, art, ceramics, history and photography. Evening classes offer "liquid" embroidery, and relationships and self esteem. For registration and fee information, call Cindy Raynor at (612) 588-0811.

PUBLICATIONS

"Family, Leisure and Social Activities of Mentally Retarded People in Residential Facilities" is a report of a 1978-79 national survey of public and private residential facilities serving persons who are mentally retarded. Available for \$3 prepaid from: Developmental Disabilities Project, 207 Pattee Hall, 150 SE. Pillsbury Dr., University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455, Attn. Laura Heiberg. A list of other publications is available upon request.

Plain Talk About Early Education and Development is a new book that captures thoughts of leaders in the field of early education and child development. The book presents current information in "plain talking" style without technical jargon or excessive detail. Content comes from 10 members of the guest faculty of the Professional Growth Institutes, sponsored by the Center for Early Education and Development (CEED) at the University of Minnesota. Pay \$6.50 per copy to CEED, Room 226 C.D., 51 E. River Rd., Minneapolis, MN 55455.

SISTER KENNY INSTITUTE TO STAGE PLAY AT GUTHRIE

A production of "Disabled Genius," under auspices of the Sister Kenny Institute, will be staged at the Guthrie Theater as part of the Institute's 40th anniversary observance at 6:30 p.m., May 2, 1982. The play's author, Ray Gordon, will direct the play. Sandi Gordon is the producer. Star performers are Mercedes McCambridge, Bermond Bragg, Danny Deardorff and Henry Holden.

"Disabled Genius" features characters from the past, the great heroes of history---of a special kind---those with handicaps and disabilities. The cast portrays these great people, whose genius has influenced society. In the end, the actors become themselves, demonstrating their own brand of artistic genius.

Tickets sell for \$5, \$7.50 and \$10 at the Dayton's ticket office, or the Guthrie theater box office.

YEARNING FOR LEARNING

The state Developmental Disabilities Program Office has acquired several education and training resource materials. They may be borrowed from each of the regional developmental disabilities offices and from the state program office, St. Paul. Each month, this section of DD Information Exchange highlights selections from these resources to provide information to potential buyers.

Implementing Learning in The Least Restrictive Environment, J. Schifani, R. Anderson and S. Odle, University Park Press, Baltimore, 1980. This book discusses competencies needed by developmentally disabled children who attend mainstream schools.

Much of the content is based upon the assumption that mildly and moderately handicapped children, regardless of labels applied to them, are more alike than different. The book focuses on common learning and behavior problems of "educationally handicapped" children. Educators are urged to deal with educational problems such as information processing, language, academic and emotional behavior rather than with disability categories evolved from a medical model.

Training Evaluation Kit: A System to Evaluate Training, P. Browning and G. Foss, University of Oregon, 1977. This training and evaluation kit is a comprehensive system for the evaluation of professional short-term training. Based upon a professionally established evaluation model, the training and evaluation kit offers training personnel a way to systematically evaluate short-term educational programs. A specimen set may be purchased for \$10 (prepaid), payable to the University of Oregon. It includes: user's manual, sample evaluation booklets, sample tabulation and report forms, literature review and order blanks for purchasing additional kit material. Mail to: TEK, Rehabilitation Research and Training Center, 2nd floor Clinical Services Bldg., University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403.

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METRO DD PROGRAM NOTES

Council, Health Board seek DD Task Force Members

The Metropolitan Health Board/
Metropolitan Council is seeking
nominations for appointment to its
Developmental Disabilities Task Force.
The Health Board/Council especially seeks
nominations of minority persons and those
representing urban and rural poverty
areas.

The "Developmental Disabilities
Assistance and Bill of Rights Act,"
P.L.95-602, defines a developmental
disability to mean a severe, chronic,
disability that:

- . Is attributable to a mental or
physical impairment or combination of
mental and physical impairments,
- . Is manifested before 22 years of age,
- . Is like to continue indefinitely, and
- . Results in substantial functional
limitations in three or more of the
following areas of major life
activity:
1) self-care; 2) receptive and
expressive language; 3) learning; 4)
mobility; 5) self-direction; 6)
capacity for independent living; and
7) economic sufficiency.
- . Reflects a person's need for a
combination and sequence of special,
inter-disciplinary, or generic care,
treatment or other services that are
of life-long or extended duration and
are individually planned and
coordinated.

The Developmental Disabilities Program of
the Metropolitan Health Board/
Metropolitan Council does not provide
direct services, but works to expand and

Task Force (Continued)

improve services for persons who are
developmentally disabled. The work
program for 1982-83 will include the
following priorities:

- Giving technical assistance to
develop a variety of essential
community programs;
- Helping agencies and organizations to
establish a high-quality system of
services through review coordination
and advocacy activities; and
- Providing data, information, referral
and public education on the
developmental disabilities population
and service network.

The DD task force must have at least 50
percent consumer representation including
persons with developmental disabilities,
their parents, immediate relatives, and
guardians of persons with mentally
impairing developmental disabilities
including a parent of an
institutionalized person. The remaining
task force members may represent
providers of service, other professionals
and citizens. Metropolitan Council
policy requires representation from each
of the 16 Council districts.

A term of membership is three years,
beginning Oct. 1, 1982. A resume,
including volunteer or professional
experience should accompany nominations.
DD task force members attend meetings
every two months (second Tuesday, 1-4
p.m.) and belong to one or more
committees, usually requiring two to
three additional meetings per year.
Transportation and babysitting expenses
are reimbursed for consumer members who
request it. Send nominations and resumes
by May 30, 1982 to Toni Lippert, 300
Metro Square Bldg., 7th and Robert Sts.,
St. Paul, MN 55101. Tel. (612) 291-6364.

Certificate of Need Information Session

The Minnesota Department of Health has determined that the Certificate of Need amendments passed in the 1982 legislative session still require all proposed intermediate care facilities for people who are mentally retarded to have a certificate of need review regardless of the amount of capital expenditure.

An information session on the new certificate of need interim application, sponsored by the developmental disabilities program, is scheduled for May 18, 1:30 p.m., Metropolitan Council Chambers, 300 Metro Square Bldg., 7th and Robert Sts., St. Paul. Health Department staff will review the application, answer questions and entertain suggestions for revisions. Copies of the interim application will be available at the information session. Call 291-6363 if you wish to review the application prior to the meeting.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

McKnight Awards Announced

The McKnight Foundation, in conjunction with consultants Walker and Associates, has announced three planning grant awards:

- . Residential programs: Association of Residences for the Retarded in Minnesota, St. Paul;
- . Day programs: Minnesota Development Achievement Center Association, St. Paul; and
- . Employment programs: Association for Retarded Citizens Minneapolis, Minneapolis.

More information on these awards will appear in the June issue of this newsletter.

Courage Center Seeks Award Nominees

Courage Center is seeking nominations for the Rose and Jay Phillips awards, granted annually to five men and women who have achieved outstanding success in their vocations despite severe disabilities. Nomination forms may be obtained from Courage Center, 3915 Golden Valley Rd., Golden Valley, MN 55422. Tel. (612) 588-0811, Ext. 217.

Pacer Project

Hispanic parents whose language or cultural difference have prevented involvement with their children's education are being sought as part of a project by a Twin Cities parents' group. Felipa Ramirez and Nicha Coates, bilingual parents with a long background of working with St. Paul's Hispanic community, are conducting the project for PACER Center (Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights). They want to reach parents of students with all types of developmental disabilities who would like to learn more about their children's current school program.

After a core group of interested parents has been found, meetings will be planned to give parents information and help them with specific problems, according to Coates. She hopes that a network of parents will form who can pass information and training to others in the community.

Ramirez can be contacted at 432-2518, evenings or weekends; Coates can be reached at 454-6579, or call PACER at (612) 827-2966.

Service for Handicapped Children Reduced

Services for Children with Handicaps (SCH), formerly Crippled Children's Services, is a program within the Minnesota Department of Health responsible for the evaluation, treatment and habilitation of children with chronic handicaps. SCH has been affected by budget reductions resulting from large state deficits and decreased federal funding.

Service Reduction (Continued)

Last year approximately 12,000 children were served by the SCH staff and several thousand more were provided care through contractual arrangements. Under the new federal block grant, the program will receive \$450,00 less than in fiscal year 1981. This has resulted in the termination of some staff positions and the elimination of nine clinics.

The program provides diagnostic and treatment services through arrangements with specialists' offices, medical centers and a statewide network of comprehensive and specialty clinics operated by medical consultants and volunteers. SCH also administers the Supplemental Security Income Disabled Children's Program and provides treatment for adults with hemophilia and cystic fibrosis.

RESPIRE CARE

Dakota's Children, Inc., offers respite care for persons up to 21 years of age who are severely or profoundly retarded. They may also be physically handicapped but individuals who need intensive behavior modification or 24-hour nursing care, cannot be accepted. For more information, call Laurel Shiely or Penny Gunstad at (612) 455-1286.

Hiawatha Adult Home offers a respite care program for up to two weeks for adult, mentally retarded and physically handicapped persons living in the community who need a place to live while their attendant or family caretaker takes a leave. Nursing care, meals and recreational opportunities will be provided. This service will be available after July 1.

For admission criteria, procedures and other information, contact Hiawatha Homes, 1829 NW. Valkyrie Dr., Rochester, MN 55901.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Summer Jobs Offered

Government funds will provide employment for Twin Cities Area youth for approximately 12 weeks this summer. Jobs will range from planting trees, landscaping and improving park and picnic areas to "hands-on" career exploration through the Hennepin Technical Center.

To be eligible for employment, each youth must be a Hennepin County resident and at least 14 years old by June 14, but not more than 21 years old. Special consideration will be given to handicapped youth whose handicap would be a substantial barrier in getting employment. Applications may be obtained by calling Ed Loomis, State Job Service at (612) 935-3445, or for more information, call Karen Abbott, West Side Community Center at (612) 935-1201.

Executive Director Wanted

The State Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC) is seeking an experienced person to manage its program. The person selected will be responsible for governance, planning, promotion, fiscal management and staff of the agency. The position requires skills in human relations, leadership and communication. Knowledge of mental retardation issues and service systems is a must. Send resumes to Search Committee, Association for Retarded Citizens Minnesota, 3225 Lyndale Av. S., Minneapolis, MN 55408.

SERVICES

Legal services expanded

According to the Minnesota DD Law Report, five persons have been hired by the Developmental Disabilities Legal Advocacy Project as a result of a \$130,000 grant received from the McKnight Foundation. With the additional personnel, the project will be able to expand the scope of its services, especially in Northern Minnesota.

The Minnesota DD Law Report is a publication of Legal Advocacy for Developmentally Disabled Persons in Minnesota, the agency designated by the governor to protect and advocate for the rights of developmentally disabled persons throughout Minnesota. Subscriptions may be obtained by contacting the main office at 222 Grain Exchange Bldg., 323 4th Av. S., Minneapolis, MN 55415. Tel. (612) 338-0968 or toll-free outside the Metropolitan Area, (800) 292-4150.

Accessibility Specialist Available

Harold D. Kiewel, an accessibility specialist for the state for the past five years is available for private consultation. He provides technical assistance relating to renovation or construction of residential and commercial buildings, and presents slide shows, seminars and lectures on accessible design. For more information, contact Harold D. Kiewel, Accessible Consultants, 1825 Reaney Av., St. Paul, MN 55119. Tel. (612) 739-2855 during evening hours.

Telecaption Decoder Offered

The St. Paul Rehabilitation Center has a telecaption decoder to lend to persons with hearing impairments. It can be borrowed for a maximum of two weeks without charge. For information, call Jo Anne Close, (612) 227-8471, Ext. 74 (voice) or (612) 227-3779 (TTY).

WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES

May 19

A "New Director's Workshop," sponsored by the Voluntary Action Center of St. Paul, is intended to help persons in charge of volunteers develop useful skills in their field. The workshop will cover program evaluation, job descriptions, interviewing, recruitment and motivation. The conference will be from 12:30-4:30 p.m. in the conference room of Family Service, Nalpak Building, 333 Sibley St., St. Paul. Registration is limited to 15 participants and the deadline for registration is May 7. For registration forms, contact the Voluntary Action Center, 623 Endicott Bldg., 141 E. 4th St., St. Paul, MN 55101. Fee for the conference is \$15.

FUTURE EVENTS

June 4-6

The 1982 state convention of the Association for Retarded Citizens Minnesota (ARC MN) will be held at the College of St. Catherine, St. Paul. The keynote speaker will be Paul Marchand, director of governmental affairs for ARC National. Barry Morrow and Bill Sackter will be featured guests at the awards banquet. Sackter's life was portrayed in the movie "Bill" shown last December on CBS-TV.

For registration forms and more information, call ARC Minnesota at (612) 827-5641 or toll-free outside the Metropolitan Area, (800) 582-5256. The registration deadline is May 24.



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DD PROGRAM ANNOUNCES TRAINING CONTRACT

May 1982

The Minnesota Developmental Disabilities Program has awarded a one-year contract to the Government Training Service to develop a statewide training program for staff and board members of developmental achievement centers and residential facilities. This year is the first of a three-year project funded by the McKnight Foundation. Management training will be the focus of the first year and direct care staff training will be emphasized the second year. In the third year, management and direct care training will continue, with the addition of an on-site follow-up program.

Government Training Service is a public organization that brings to the project extensive training expertise in management development, and experience in developing and managing comprehensive educational programs.

Kay Zwernik has joined Government Training Services as a training specialist. With 16 years in the field of developmental disabilities, Zwernik has extensive background with developmental achievement centers and residential facilities. For the past nine years she has been executive director of Metro Developmental Achievement Center Council in St. Paul. Presently, she serves on the Metropolitan Developmental Disabilities Task Force, the Advisory Committee to the Court Monitor in the Welsch vs. Noot case, and on a vocational rehabilitation task force examining work activities in the state.

DD WILL CO-SPONSOR CONFERENCE ON PREVENTION OF CHILD ABUSE

A conference entitled "Preventing Harm to Children with Disabilities: Dimensions in Recognizing and Responding to Abuse and Neglect" has been set for May 21. It will be co-sponsored by the Minnesota Department of Public Welfare (DPW) and the developmental disabilities program office of the Minnesota Department of Energy, Planning and Development. It will take place at the Sheraton Inn-Northwest, intersection of Hwy. 52 and Hwy. I-94 in Brooklyn Park.

Keynote speakers will include: Eli Newberger, M.D., Director, Family Development Study, Children's Hospital Medical Center, Boston, Mass; and Lynn Wikler, Ph.D., assistant professor in the School of Social Work, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Recent studies have suggested that children with disabilities are at least three times more likely to receive abuse or neglect than children of average health. Getting help for parents and their children with handicaps takes a willingness to change behavior that hurts children, a commitment to be involved on behalf of children, and vigilance.

For more information and registration forms, contact: Paul Kiley, Family and Children's Section, DPW, 4th floor, Centennial Bldg., St. Paul, MN 55155. Tel. (612) 297-2757.

'VOLUNTEER FOR MINNESOTA' PROJECT LAUNCHED

Pres. Reagan is encouraging volunteers and other private-sector resources to fill service gaps created by government budget cuts at all levels. According to the Minnesota Office on Volunteer Services (MOVS), human service budgets are expected to be cut by 37 percent nationwide. Responding to the President's encouragement, they have begun a "Volunteer for Minnesota" project.

The project will have three phases: planning, implementation and evaluation. Success will require the involvement of government officials, volunteers and the corporate and academic communities. They will be called on to develop new private-public linkages and coordination of financial and human services.

Laura Lee Geraghty, director of MOVS, said, "Without such a program, we would be thrust into chaos, resulting from the loss of service, an inability to use our citizen resources effectively and confusion between the respective roles of paid agency staff and citizen volunteers."

For more information, contact, MOVS, 127 University Av., St. Paul, MN 55155. Tel. (612) 296-4731. The toll-free number outside the Metropolitan Area is (800) 652-9747.

MINNESOTA'S PACER SETS THE PACE IN U.S.

In 1978, the Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights (PACER) in Minnesota, founded in 1976, was the first of its kind to be funded under the federal Department of Education's division of personnel preparation. Similar groups nationwide are currently receiving funds from the department of education or similar sources. Included among groups receiving funds are: SEPTER in Alaska, PEATC in Virginia, PACE in Kentucky, PEN in Pennsylvania and PEP in Wisconsin. They all refer to "parents and education" in their names and most have benefited from the leadership that Minnesota's PACER has provided through shared materials and technical assistance.

PACER (Continued)

Reflecting upon the past few years, Paula Goldberg and Marge Goldberg, co-directors of PACER, each said "Clearly, Minnesota parents were doing something right when PACER Center was formed."

A 20-page prospectus is available, prepared by Dissemin/Action in Virginia that outlines PACER's pattern of organization, services and resource materials. Copies of "Parents Train Parents: A Plan and Program" and other information about PACER activities may be obtained from: PACER Center, 4701 Chicago Av., Minneapolis, MN 55407. Tel. (612) 827-2966.

Despite PACER's success, DD Information Exchange recently learned that the federal Department of Education intends to cut the PACER Center grant by 48.5 percent on June 1, 1982.

MINNESOTA CONGRESSMEN SUPPORT 'EDUCATION FOR ALL HANDICAPPED' ACT

On Feb. 5, 1982, 59 U.S. Senators and 285 U.S. Representatives (well over half of the U.S. Congress) sent an open letter to Pres. Reagan calling upon him to support the substance and funding of the "Education for All Handicapped" Act (P.L. 94-142).

The letter is a significant achievement in defending the federal government's role in promoting public education for children with handicaps. Among the letter's comments are:

- "Our major concern is assuring the continuation of the effective federal, state and local partnership that presently exists to provide educational services to handicapped children."
- "In addition to the positive impact in human terms that the legislation has wrought for handicapped children and their families, the program has proven that it is cost-effective."
- "We hope that you will reaffirm your pledge by endorsing current levels of federal funding for P.L. 94-142 and its support programs, and opposing any substantive changes in the statute."

MINNESOTA CONGRESSMEN (Continued)

Among the 344 signators were Minnesota Senators David Durenberger and Rudy Boschwitz, and three representatives: Bruce Vento, Arlen Erdahl and James Oberstar. Let them know of your appreciation and continued support.

MINNESOTA TASK FORCE ON EPILEPSY UNDER WAY

The Minnesota Legislature created the Minnesota Advisory Task Force on Epilepsy in 1981 to study problems, concerns and issues affecting individuals with epilepsy and to make recommendations to help eliminate the problems. The task force has set up four working committees: 1) prevention, research and medical services; 2) education and employment; 3) independence, equality and living arrangements; and 4) social adjustment, mental health, and education of the individual, family, professional and public.

Committees and the task force have open meetings on the second Friday of each month, usually in Room 14 of the State Office Building. For more information, call the Minnesota Epilepsy League, (612) 340-7639, or call toll-free outside the Metropolitan Area, 1-800- 292-7932.

PUBLICATIONS

A catalog entitled Training and Professional Skill Development has been released by the Council for Exceptional Children. This catalog features resource publications and nonprint media designed to assist educators of children who are handicapped or gifted. Contents include: pre-service and continuing education programs; programs and staff developmental resources for administrators; and classroom resources for teachers. Free copies are available by writing: CEC Publication Sales, 1920 Association Dr., Reston, VA 22091.

PUBLICATIONS (Continued)

Child Abuse and Neglect Policy and Reporting Procedures: Development Resource Package for Day Care/Pre-School Programs is a pamphlet published by the Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, (DPW) Sept. 1981. It presents guidelines originally prepared by the Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association. A brief format covers several essential elements: suggested procedures for recording and reporting child abuse, barriers to reporting, a form for reporting suspected child maltreatment, a process for developing policy and procedures and a model statement regarding children's basic needs. For a free copy, contact DPW, Family and Children's Services Section, Centennial Office Bldg., St. Paul, MN. 55155.

EVENTS

May 10-11

The Association of Residences for the Retarded in Minnesota (ARRM) has entitled its 1982 Annual Spring Conference "How Will We Respond to the '80s? Finger in the Dike or Rebuilding the Dam?" It takes place at the Hyatt Regency on Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis. For registration information, contact ARRM, 459 Rice St., Suite 302B, St. Paul, MN 55103. Tel. (612) 291-7475.

May 13-14

An independent living conference, "Being in Charge: Living with a Disability," will be conducted at Southwest University, Marshall, Minn. For registration information, contact Ginny Stuart, Rural Enterprises for Acceptable Living, 224 W. Main St., Marshall, MN 56258. Tel. (507) 532-2221

May 31-June 4

The 106th annual meeting for the American Association for Mental Deficiency, "A Time for Creativity: In Research, Training and Services" will be held in Boston, Maine. For more information, contact: The American Association for Mental Deficiency, 5105 Wisconsin Av. NW., Washington, D.C. 20016. Tel. 1 (800) 424-3688 toll-free.

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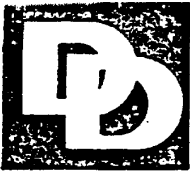
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Coordinating Services to Handicapped Children: A Handbook for Interagency Collaboration, P. Magrab and J. Elder (Eds.), Baltimore, Md. This book addresses problems of delivering adequate services to handicapped children. The book provides solutions by exploring concepts, policies and procedures for interagency cooperation. It examines the development and evolution of interdisciplinary care together with a number of existing local systems. The book is helpful in determining how to avoid overlapping and gaps of service between agencies. A suggested format for developing and writing interagency agreements are of particular value.

Planning for Services to Handicapped Persons: Community, Education, Health, P. Magrab and J. Elder (Eds.) Baltimore, Md. This is important reading for all human service professionals policy-shaping positions. It tells how to get the most effective, cost-efficient use from existing services, how to influence planning for services and how to achieve interagency collaboration and cooperation. A "cyclical" model is developed for integration of four service delivery systems: community and social; educational; medical and health care; and vocational and rehabilitative. The final chapter contains a workbook section for the systematic collection of data to achieve a specific goal. Sample forms, questionnaires and worksheets can be easily adapted to any objective or target group.

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Help Stock DD Libraries

Our Metropolitan Regional DD Program continues to add to its two DD libraries- a curriculum library and resource library. Publishers' brochures on new DD publications and copies of the DD Policy Analysis Series are available in the DD office.

Consideration will be given to your suggestions for purchasing additions of use to DD professionals. Send your suggestions in writing and enclose adequate descriptions of the materials, potential use, price and publisher information. Mail to Toni Lippert at the newsletter address above.

Needs Assessment for Residential Programs Under Way

An ad hoc study group of the Developmental Disabilities task force of the Metropolitan Health Board/Metropolitan Council is currently collecting data to determine the need for residential facilities for non-retarded, physically handicapped young adults. They must meet the federal definition of "developmentally disabled." The group the needs assessment seeks to identify are young adults, 16-30 years old, who may need personal care supervision, but not intensive medical care. The residential program would fill a gap between programs that provide 24-hour intensive care and others that enable semi-independent living with help of an attendant. Such a facility will serve as a permanent home for some and, for others, a temporary residence to prepare for more independent living.

Port questionnaires have been sent to special education directors, to Camp Courage and to some consumer organizations. If you know someone who needs such a service and you have not received a questionnaire, please call Tom Chapel at (612) 291-6357, to request a form.

METRO DD PROGRAM NOTES (Cont.)

Reminder for Certificate of Need Applicants

A Letter of Intent must be submitted 60 days prior to submission of the certificate of need (CON) application for health care facilities. This includes intermediate care facilities for people who are mentally retarded. Many applicants have neglected to follow this requirement of the CON law. Letters of intent should be directed to: Malcolm Mitchell, Director, Metropolitan Health Planning Board, 300 Metro Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Requests for applications and technical assistance should be directed to Toni Lippert at 291-6364.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

New Temporary Supplemental Security Income Rule for Disabled Children

An interim rule published in the June 4 Federal Register (p. 24274) addresses the problem of children who remain unnecessarily institutionalized because returning home for less costly medical care would result in loss of Medicaid eligibility. The rule provides that the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS), in appropriate circumstances, will not include the family's income when considering the child's income and resources as a requirement for eligibility to receive Supplement Security Income (SSI). Under SSI, qualified, needy individuals are entitled to cash payments and in Minnesota, they are also eligible for Medicaid. This interim rule followed President Ronald Reagan's intervention in a case in November 1981, concerning a child who continued to be hospitalized despite the fact that her medical conditions could have been treated at home at substantially less expense.

SSI Rule (Continued)

The Federal Register states that HHS is taking two approaches to solve this problem. The first approach is the interim rule that allows an HHS board to decide, on an individual basis, whether to include the family income in determining SSI eligibility for the child. Each case will be subject to two criteria.

- 1) Excluding family income from consideration must indicate savings to the Medicaid program (that is, a currently institutionalized child could be treated less expensively at home and therefore Medicaid expenses would be less).
- 2) The HHS board must be satisfied that the quality of medical care will be maintained after deinstitutionalization. The board may impose additional standards depending on individual cases. Restrictions to prevent abuse of this policy may be imposed if necessary, such as institutionalizing a child currently being cared for at home, simply to use this regulation.

This rule is effective immediately. All applications must be made on behalf of a child by the Minnesota Department of Public Welfare (DPW) that must recommend that income of the child's family not be considered. DPW is currently developing a procedure for county welfare departments to follow in processing applications at the local level.

The interim approach will terminate April 30, 1983. A long-term solution by HHS assumes that states will have in place home and community-based services under the new statutory authority allowing waivers. HHS further states, "Deinstitutionalization depends on the states developing an appropriate Medicaid program which they can do under authority of section 1915 (c) of the Act," permitting states to apply for the waiver.

DPW Requests Proposals

The Department of Public Welfare (DPW) has issued three requests for proposals.

One project is to identify a continuum of living arrangements for disabled adults, examine costs of various types of arrangements and provide technical assistance to establish such living arrangements.

A second project is to develop the use of home-based social services through county agencies to retain disabled adults in the community and avoid unnecessary institutionalization.

The target population for the two above projects is adults who are mentally retarded, or mentally ill, or physically handicapped or chemically dependent, including elderly persons with such impairments. The proposals must address all of these disability groups. The two proposals can receive a maximum of \$40,000 each.

The third project is for a plan to develop adult day program models as part of the long-term care continuum for elderly persons and for persons who are physically disabled. The plan should also provide technical assistance to counties, community health agencies and private organizations for developing adult day programs. This project will be awarded up to \$30,000.

You may request copies of the requests for proposals and get additional information from Carol R. Watkins, Supervisor of Adult Services, Division of Social Services, Department of Public Welfare, 4th Floor-Centennial Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55155. Tel. (612) 297-2766. The deadline for submitting applications for all three proposals is July 15, 1982.

Cost-of Care Issue Resolved

ove by the state Department of Public Welfare to consider parental income when determining whether children living in residential facilities are eligible for medical assistance has been withdrawn. The commissioner of welfare has determined that children living outside the home will continue to be eligible for medical assistance and will not be transferred back to a county cost-of-care program. It is a good idea to thank the welfare commissioner, your county commissioners and legislators for their support on this issue.

Many individuals opposed the return to the cost-of-care program because it would have put increased financial burdens on counties and would have been a financial incentive for placement in state hospitals. Also, it potentially would have allowed each county to determine its own parental fee schedule, resulting in unequal parental costs among counties.

National Year of the Disabled Follows International Year

Congress passed a law designating 1982 as the "National Year of the Disabled" last February. Congress did this to sustain the considerable momentum generated by the International Year of Disabled Persons (IYDP).

A new, private, nonprofit National Office on Disability has also been established to "support and encourage community-based efforts, disseminate information on disability issues, and promote the long-term goals of disabled Americans presented during IYDP." In announcing the new organization, Alan A. Reich, president of the U.S. Council for IYDP, noted that in response to IYDP, "disabled and non-disabled people working as partners in more than 1,850 communities across the country initiated or strengthened programs to improve the lives of disabled persons." The National Office on Disability will seek to sustain that effort.

For more information, contact: The National Office on Disability, 1575 NW. Eye St., Washington, D.C. 20005. Tel. (202-638-0011.

Homes Needed

A variety of home settings including large family homes, duplexes, and shared apartments are sought by Ramsey County Community Human Service Department for adults who are mentally retarded or physically handicapped. The agency has developed a community alternative to intermediate care facilities called "Supporting Adults in Family Environments" (SAFE). It is an adult foster care program that recruits individuals or families that can provide short- or long-term care.

Providers will be assisted by a county foster care team that will make available training and support groups. For more information, contact: Barbara Kellelt, Ramsey County Community Human Services Department, 160 E. Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 298-4926.

Requests for Information About Disabled Persons Sought

A request for information about older persons who have severe or profound disabilities has been received by The Association for the Severely Handicapped (TASH). The agency requesting the information is preparing disabled persons, age 50-80, for community placement. Readers who are familiar with programs or research geared to this age group should send information to: The Association for the Severely Handicapped, 7010 NE. Roosevelt Way, Seattle, Wash. 98115.

The Greenbrier Center in Lewisburg, West Virginia, is in the process of developing a vocational assessment program and would like information about objective evaluations of individuals who are severely handicapped. If your program is doing this type of work, contact: Robert Chamberland, Vocational Director, Greenbrier Center, 103 Church St., Lewisburg, W. Va. 24901. Tel. (304) 645-1110.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

Advisory Committee Guide

"A Handbook for Members of Advisory Committees" has been published by the Association for Retarded Citizens Minnesota. The purpose of the handbook is to strengthen the effectiveness of advisory committees of DD residential facilities. The suggestions for recruiting and orienting committee members and identifying their responsibilities can be used for advisory committees or directorship boards of any DD service.

The handbook is intended for use by advisory committee members, facility owners, public officials, agencies with monitoring responsibility, and residents, parents and siblings of individuals who are developmentally disabled.

The handbook has been moderately priced (75¢ including postage) so that all advisory committee members can be provided copies. It may be ordered from: The Association for Retarded Citizens Minnesota, 3225 Lyndale Av. S., Minneapolis, Minn. 55408. Tel. (612) 827-5641.

Policy Analysis Series #10 Available

An update to Policy Analysis Series #5, Issues Related to Welsch vs. Noot, a federal court decision concerning the deinstitutionalization of mentally retarded persons, is now available. Number 10 is entitled: Admissions/Readmissions to State Hospitals, June 1, 1981, to December 31, 1981: The Behavior Problem Issue. Copies of the series may be obtained at no charge by contacting the state Developmental Disabilities Program Office, 201 Capitol Square Bldg., 550 Cedar St., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 296-4018.

SERVICES

Self-Help Group Begins

Self-help group sessions for adults with epilepsy and their families will be held in the Twin Cities Area starting July 8. The sessions are held on Thursdays for six consecutive weeks from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Cost for joining the group is \$15. For more information, call Gary Nygaard, Minnesota Epilepsy League at (612) 340-7630.

Medical Information Cards Available

The National Safety Council has developed a wallet-size, personal medical information and identification card. It provides immediate access to medical, personal and insurance information, as well as treatment and organ donor authorization.

The medical information card comes with three stickers that can be attached to wallets, driver's licenses or other items to let people know that emergency medical information is carried by the card owner.

For more information, contact the Minnesota Safety Council, 555 Wabasha St., Suite 102, St. Paul, Minn. 55102. Tel. (612) 291-9150.

Accessible Housing Planned for Coon Rapids

Grasslands Housing, Inc., a non-profit corporation in Anoka County, is developing a housing program for disabled people who have mobility limitations.

The complex, located in Coon Rapids, will house 24 units, 16 one-bedroom and eight two-bedroom. Two stories have accessible corridors. The complex will feature earth-bermed technology and barrier-free design. All units will be eligible for Section 8 low-income financing.

Grasslands is currently involved in fund raising to provide accessible garages and an emergency medical vehicle. For more information, contact: Grasslands Housing, Inc., 7150 River Rd., Fridley, Minn. 55432. Tel. (612) 572-0060.

Services for the Deaf Available

1. Deaf Services Division, Department of Public Welfare, (DPW) seeks to help hearing-impaired people in Minnesota live as independently as possible. It works to make sure all welfare programs are available to hearing impaired people. Visit their offices or contact them by mail or phone if you need information. The local Metropolitan Regional Center is staffed by David Lubinski, Robert Cook and Dale Finke. Each member of the team brings experience and expertise in specific areas. For more information: contact David Lubinski, DPW, Regional Consultant, 302 2nd Av. S., Minneapolis, Minn. 55412. Tel. (612) 297-3641 Voice or TTY. Collect calls accepted.

Metro Mobility Expands Service

Metro Mobility, a specialized door-to-door transportation service for persons who are disabled, will expand its service to Roseville, Maplewood, New Brighton, Fridley, South St. Paul, West St. Paul, St. Louis Park and Brooklyn Center. Recertification riders will take place this summer under new guidelines established by the Metro Mobility Advisory Committee. Public hearings on this issue will take place this summer. Developmentally disabled persons unable to use the regular bus system will continue to be eligible for Metro Mobility. For more information, call (612) 644-1119.

NEW PROGRAMS

Graduate Study Funded

The special education department of Peabody College, Vanderbilt University, has funding to support highly qualified students interested in masters and doctoral study during 1982-83 in visual impairment, multiple handicaps and orientation and mobility. Inquiries for these study areas are invited from special educators and other human service professionals. Other sources of financial aid and part-time employment are also available. Funds are limited, so inquiries should be made immediately. Contact: S.C. Ashcroft, Department of Special Education, P.O. Box 328, George Peabody College, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. 37203.

Graduate Study (Continued)

The special education department is also offering three summer institutes during 1982 on specialized topics of interest for educators of visually-impaired and multi-handicapped persons. Inquiries regarding these opportunities can be made to Everett Hill at the above address.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Group Home Needs Weekend Houseparents

Two people are needed to serve as houseparents on alternate weekends, 4 p.m. Fridays to 4 p.m. Sundays, for six adults who are mentally retarded. No children will be allowed while on duty. Preference will be given to individuals with experience in mental retardation. For more information, call Lory Perryman, Good Neighbor Home, at (612) 292-0317.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Family Retreat Planned for August

The Minnesota Epilepsy League is planning a family retreat Aug. 28-29 for children, youth and adults with epilepsy and their families. It will be held at the Sibley State Park on Lake Andrew, 15 miles north of Willmar. It will provide an opportunity to learn more about epilepsy in a relaxed, fun setting. Activities include games for all ages, trail hiking, fishing, swimming, group sports, mini-seminars and discussion groups. For more information, call Terri Houle at (612) 340-7630.

Carnival Day Activities

The North St. Paul American Legion Post #39 is sponsoring a day for retarded citizens at the annual legion carnival. The carnival will be held Saturday, July 10, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Funland Park on Hwy. 36 and Margaret in North St. Paul. There will be free refreshments, rides, fun and games.

Special Olympics Family Day

Saturday, Aug. 7, is the date of the 1982 Special Olympics Family Day. This event, sponsored by Honeywell, focuses on Special Olympics athletes, their families and friends. Athletic events, sports clinics, and a carnival are held while seminars are available for parents and coaches. Call the Minnesota Special Olympics office at 888-0883 for more information.

Summer Swim Program

Gillette Children's Hospital, St. Paul, is accepting registrations for its summer swim programs for people with or without disabilities. The next program is scheduled from July 17 to Aug. 26 and will provide private lessons for infants, young people and adults, as well as open pool sessions and group rental plans.

To register, or for more information, contact Debi DeFlorin, Gillette Children's Hospital, 200 E. University Av., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 291-2848.

Track and Field Meet

The Camilia Rose Group Home and Project POWER of Anoka/Hennepin School District No. 11 are sponsoring a special track and field meet for persons who are handicapped. The meet is part of the grand opening of the Hoover park and playground in Coon Rapids. The playground is the first of its kind in the nation, featuring such special items as: a 400 meter regulation track, marked at wheelchair widths; a bike course, banked for wheelchair accomodation, special or regulation bikes; three softball diamonds; triple tennis courts; playground equipment designed for both able-bodied and handicapped persons and asphalt trails with adaptive exercise apparatus winding throughout the 26 acres. Registration materials will be mailed in mid-July. For more information, call Mary Lou Gorski at 755-8220 or Randy Olson, Camilia Rose Group Home, at 755-8489.

TapeMark Charity Pro-Am Golf Tournament Set

The TapeMark Charity Pro-Am Golf Tournament will take place July 16-18 on two sites, Southview Country Club and Indian Hills Golf Club. The final round on Sunday will be played only at Southview in Dakota County. One ticket at \$2.50 is good for all three days. Call your local chapter of the Association for Retarded Citizens.

WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES

July 14-16

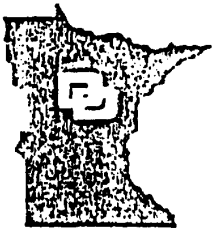
"Training in Program Analysis of Service Systems (PASS)" is a workshop intended for people interested in designing, delivering, monitoring and evaluating a variety of human service programs to ensure high quality and adherence to the principle of normalization. The workshop will be held in Tracy, Minn. For information, call Gloria Vande Brake, (507) 836-8549.

July 24-28

The state Spina Bifida meeting will be held at the Radisson South Hotel, Minneapolis. Keynote speakers are: Kent Smith, Executive Director of the National Spina Bifida Association and Alan Bensman, M.D. For additional details, call Ron Bateman at (612) 544-1728.

July 26-28

"Special Education Leadership Institute," designed to discuss and formulate new directions in special education, will take place at the San Diego State University's Aztec Center. For more information, contact: San Diego State University, Special Education Leadership Institute, Department of Educational Administration, San Diego, Calif. 92182. Tel. (714) 265-6145/6115.



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DD COUNCIL HEARS TESTIMONY ON COMMUNITY- BASED SERVICE SYSTEM

The Governor's Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities sponsored a public forum May 4 and 5, to document issues in its next three-year plan. A summary report said that, "If a single theme can be identified, it is that the community-based service system is a system under threat--a system fragmented, hampered by contradictory policy and uncertain leadership and eroding because of unstable funding."

Spokespersons from 29 agencies and organizations provided testimony. They represented regional developmental disabilities councils, service agencies, provider and advocacy groups from around the state.

"Testimony supported the view that achieving community-based services, or a decentralized service system, will require creative managers and policy-makers," the report stated. Concerns covered the areas including: day programs; pre-school; residential; case management and training needs.

The summary report concluded, "If the Governor's Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities is to take the active stance called for by most organizations, it will need strategies to deal with a 'problem' agenda including: 1) broadening the base of support for policies of community care and treatment; 2) gaining financial stability and financial incentives consistent with policy; 3) selling the cost-effectiveness of community care and less restrictive programming, 4) working in prevention, and 5) considering whether there are other, as yet untried, forms for delivering essential services at the community level. The context for planning is one in which fiscal restraints could continue to exist and redesign of service systems may be a productive alternative to piecemeal cuts in existing services."

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TESTIMONY (Continued)

A special thank you is extended to those who presented their views at the public forum.

Copies of "Public Forum-A Summary of Testimony" may be obtained from the Developmental Disabilities Program Office, tel. (612) 296-4018

LEGAL ADVOCACY PROGRAM TESTIFIES AT DD COUNCIL PUBLIC FORUM

(Note: Although all presentations made at the public forum, as described in the article above are worthy of wider dissemination, space limitations dictate the selection of only one, appearing below.)

In discussing information available from the caseload at Legal Advocacy for Developmentally Disabled persons in Minnesota, attorney Anne Henry said, "Both adult and children's developmental achievement center services are in very serious jeopardy." She pointed out the dangers of the possibility that all programming be received from within community residential facilities, with the result of inadequate monitoring and licensing for quality review. Several compliance issues have surfaced regarding the implementation of the Welsch v. Noot Consent Decree and the deinstitutionalization effort. Some counties are beginning to require that clients from other counties go back to their financially responsible counties for services. "This trend," says Henry, "has serious implications for the rights of developmentally disabled persons to travel, move and obtain quality services that meet their needs."

A complete written copy of this public forum testimony is available by calling (612) 296-4018.

CHILD ABUSE CONFERENCE HELD, VIDEO TAPES AVAILABLE

Over 160 people attended the conference "Preventing Harm to Children with Disabilities: Dimensions in Recognizing and Responding to Abuse and Neglect" on May 21. From a 42 percent return of conference evaluation forms, 98 percent rated the overall experience as good to excellent and 97 percent indicated the conference had met their objectives for attending. All agreed that a special presentation by the "Count Me In" puppeteers from the Parent Advocacy for Educational Rights Center was a particularly meaningful experience. The conference was co-sponsored by the Department of Public Welfare and the Developmental Disabilities Program Office. People interested in obtaining video tape cassettes should contact: Developmental Disabilities Program Office, 201 Capitol Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101.

PROGRAM FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARDED NORTHWEST AREA FOUNDATION GRANT

Implementation of a one-year project, "Sexual Abuse Education for Disabled Adolescents," was recently announced by the Minnesota Program for Victims of Sexual Assault in the state Department of Corrections. The project will receive a grant from the Northwest Area Foundation. For more information, contact: Peggy Specktor, director, (612) 296-7084.

HANDICAPPED AWARENESS THROUGH BOY SCOUTS, AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SUMMER LEARNING

A new Boy Scouts of America merit badge is for "Handicapped Awareness." Scouts learn about available resources, take part in an awareness program and spend 15 hours working with disabled people. There are many such ways to involve the energies and enthusiasm of young people this summer. Why not share your ideas and experiences through this newsletter? Write to: Roger Strand, Editor, Information Exchange, Developmental Disabilities Program Office, 201 Capitol Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101.

DPW REQUESTS PROPOSALS FOR ADULT SERVICES

Proposals requested by the Department of Public Welfare (DPW) in three separate areas of adult services (living arrangements, home-based services and day programming) are due July 15. Contact: Carol R. Watkins, Supervisor, Adult Services Unit, Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, 4th Floor, Centennial Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55155. Tel. (612) 297-2766.

UNIVERSITY SEEKS IDEAS TO TEACH MEDIA COMMUNICATION TO DISABLED

A project for communications media production for severely handicapped students at Vanderbilt University is seeking ideas on how to design a practical, hands-on course. Project designers would like to receive ideas from teachers and other professionals working with severely handicapped learners to identify specific instructional needs. Share ideas by writing: Box 318, Peabody College/Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. 37203.

ADVANCE TRAINING OFFERED IN SERVICE SYSTEM PROGRAM ANALYSIS

One week of advanced Program Analysis of Service Systems (PASS) training will be offered Aug. 30-Sept. 3, at the Midway Motor Lodge in LaCrosse, Wis. The workshop, "Implementing the Principle of Normalization: Using PASS for Organizational Change," is open to people who have attended an introductory PASS workshop and want to continue their learning. Tuition for out-of-state residents is \$175, and for residents of Wisconsin, \$130. For further information, contact: Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy, 2 Mifflin St. W., #200, Madison, Wis. Attn: Barb. Billings. Tel. (608) 249-5747 or (608) 251-9600.

PUBLICATIONS

Down's Syndrome: Advances in Biomedicine and the Behavioral Sciences, edited by Siegfried M. Pueschel and John. E. Rynders, Cambridge, Mass., The Ware Press, 1982 (570 pages hardback, \$65.). This book makes available in one place the enormous scientific advances made in the last 20 years about Down's syndrome. This two-part volume presents the latest information on the entire medical and behavioral spectrum of an individual with Down's syndrome. It is a critically important work for the researcher, medical and clinical practitioner, and professional in child development, special education and behavioral science.

Siegfried M. Pueschel, MD., with a master's in public health, is director of the Child Development Center at the Rhode Island Hospital. John Rynders, Ph.D., is professor and coordinator of special education programs at the University of Minnesota.

To purchase, contact: The Ware Press, P.O. Box 397, Cambridge, Mass. 02138. Tel. (617) 491-1837.

Supplement to Legal Rights of Developmentally Disabled Persons

Legal Advocacy has completed a 1982 supplement to its advocacy manual. The supplement updates the manual by noting changes since the manual's publication in 1979. The supplement costs \$2, plus 65¢ for postage. It is available from Legal Advocacy for Developmentally Disabled Persons in Minnesota, 222 Grain Exchange Bldg., 323 4th Av. S., Minneapolis, Minn. 55415.

The manual and supplement together are available for \$5, plus \$1 postage.

Directory of Community Services in Region Nine (South-Central Minnesota) is available by calling Pam Schmidt, developmental disabilities planner at (507) 387-5643 or, toll-free 1 (800) 722-9389.

EVENTS

July 7,

(The following course is held in conjunction with the event on July 8-9 listed below)

Training course on "Computer Applications for Handicapped Individuals," at the J. F. Friedrich Center, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Contact: The Trace Training Course Coordinator, 314 Waisman Center, 1500 Highland Av., Madison, Wis. 53706. Tel. (608) 262-6966.

July 8-9

Workshop on Science and Technology for the Handicapped at the J. F. Friedrich Center, University of Wisconsin-Madison, sponsored by the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the Trace Center. This is the first of the 1982 series of regional workshops on utilizing the engineering community to assist disabled individuals. Contact: American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1776 Massachusetts Av. NW., Washington, D.C. 20036. Tel. (202) 467-4497 (voice/tty). Attn: Virginia Stern or Lorraine Stillwell.

July 8-11

Disability Rights Conference, Radisson Plaza St. Paul (regarding Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 dealing with providing equal access to federally funded services.) Contact: Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund Inc., 2032 San Pablo Av., Berkeley, Calif. 94702. (Tel. (toll-free) 1-800-227-2472, voice or TDD).

July 24-28

The annual convention of the National Spinal Cord Injury Association will be held at the Radisson South hotel in Bloomington, Minn. For further information: Twin Cities Chapter, Spinal Cord Injury Assn., P.O. Box 8588, Minneapolis, Minn. 55408.

July 26-28

Special Education Leadership Institute, San Diego State University Aztec Center. For further information call: (714) 265-6145 or 6115 (24-hour information service available).

YEARNING FOR LEARNING

The state Developmental Disabilities Program Office has acquired several education and training resource materials. They may be borrowed from each of the regional developmental disabilities offices and from the state program office, St. Paul. Each month, this section of DD Information Exchange highlights selections from these resources to provide information to potential buyers. A list of the materials may be obtained by writing the State Developmental Disabilities Program Office, 201 Capitol Square Bldg., 550 Cedar St., St. Paul, MN 55101.

Try Another Way Training Manual, M.W. Gold, Research Press, 1980. This is an overview of the "Try Another Way" training system for teaching persons who are labeled retarded. The system emphasizes a balanced relationship between learner and trainer based on mutual respect, including respect for abilities, rights, time commitment, personal preferences and feelings. The author says "The mentally retarded person is characterized by the level of power needed in the training process required for him or her to learn, and not by limitations in what he or she can learn. The height of a retarded person's level of functioning is determined by the availability of training technology and the amount of resources society is willing to allocate and not by significant limitations in biological potential." Available from the state program only.

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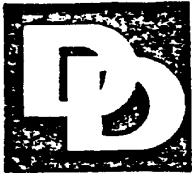
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Beyond The Ordinary; The Preparation of Professionals to Educate Severely and Profoundly Handicapped Persons; Toward the Development of Standards and Criteria; A Compendium of Conversations, Edited by R. Perske and J. Smith and distributed by the American Association for the Education of the Severely/Profoundly Handicapped. This book explains the need for specific competencies of trainer and trainee alike, beyond those ordinarily required of the special education profession. These guidelines are intended as a stimulus for program development and as a system of evaluation for the preparation of professionals.

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Needs Assessment for Residential Programs Continues

An ad hoc study group of the Developmental Disabilities task force of the Metropolitan Health Planning Board/Metropolitan Council is continuing to collect data to determine the need for residential facilities for non-retarded, physically handicapped young adults. They must meet the federal definition of "developmentally disabled." The needs assessment seeks to identify young adults, 16 to 30 years old, who may need personal care supervision and developmental programs, but not intensive medical care. The residential program would fill a gap between programs that provide 24-hour skilled nursing care and others that enable semi-independent living with help of an attendant. Such a facility will serve as a permanent home for some and, for others, a temporary residence to prepare for more independent living.

Short questionnaires have been sent to special education directors, to Camp Courage and to some consumer organizations. If you know someone who needs such a service, or work with people in this target group, call Tom Chapel at (612) 291-6357 for more information.

Group Home Personnel Study Begins

The personnel study committee of the Developmental Disabilities task force began a two-phase survey of personnel longevity in group homes in the Metropolitan Area last month. The study seeks to identify factors that influence retention of direct-care staff members. Conventional wisdom says that turnover in these positions is high, but little study has been done on this subject in Minnesota. Furthermore, no studies have been done since the onset of the recession, although bad economic conditions often decrease turnover rates, even in low-paying and low-skilled jobs.

In the first phase of the study, approximately 30 home administrators were asked to calculate their direct-care staff turnover in the last six months, to list factors causing turnover in their facilities and to note recent changes. Early returns indicate that staff turnover is lower than expected, with the exception of a few part-time aide positions.

If extensive turnover is found in the first phase of the study, a sample of current and former direct-care staff members will be interviewed to determine the factors for staff satisfaction and dissatisfaction. A profile of "leavers" and "stayers" will also be developed to guide administrators in selecting direct-care staff.

If your facility received a questionnaire, please return it in the next few days so that analysis can begin. Call Tom Chapel at 291-6357 for more information.

SERVICES

Epilepsy League Plans to Increase Services

The Minnesota Epilepsy League is planning to increase its service in the St. Paul area. The effort will include:

- Brochures, pamphlets and films on epilepsy;
- Epilepsy education for schools, churches and organizations;
- Self-help sessions for adults with epilepsy at the Griggs-Midway Bldg., 1821 University Av., St. Paul, on six consecutive Wednesdays, starting Oct. 13, 7-9 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to serve as community contact persons. For more information, contact, Robin Lewis, 333 Sibley St., Rm. 209, Nalpak Bldg., St. Paul, MN 55101. Tel. (612) 227-8373 or (612) 227-8035.

In an effort to raise public awareness about epilepsy, officials of the Minnesota Epilepsy League and Minnesota Jaycee Women will jointly conduct a two-year public education project directed primarily at educators and school children statewide.

GRANTS AND LOANS

Requests for Proposals for Grants to Improve DAC Accessibility Reissued

Earlier this year a grant program designed to improve accessibility to Developmental Achievement Centers for mobility-impaired persons was announced by the State Developmental Disabilities Program of the Minnesota Department of Energy, Planning and Development. The limited response to that announcement made it possible to reissue the request for proposals (RFP). There are two changes from the earlier RFP:

- Applications are due Sept. 17, 1982; and
- The grant ratio has been increased to 75 percent of the costs up to a maximum of \$15,000.

If you have questions or wish to receive a copy of the RFP, please contact Ron Kaliszewski at the State Developmental Disabilities Program, 100 Capitol Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 297-3207.

GRANTS AND LOANS (Continued)

Transportation Grants Available

Applications for federal funds to purchase vehicles for transporting disabled people will be available to private, non-profit organizations after Aug. 16, 1982.

Requests for applications and eligibility requirements for Urban Mass Transit Assistance grants should be directed to Nancy Moore, Minnesota Department of Transportation, 820 Transportation Bldg., St. Paul, MN 55155. Tel (612) 296-7590.

Low-Interest Loans Offered by Northwestern Bell

A new financing program for persons who need special equipment to communicate by telephone is available through Northwestern Bell. The special program offers financing up to \$1,200 at six percent interest for the purchase of equipment, such as telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDDs), artificial larynxes, cordless telephones, headsets and speaking phones

To qualify for for a loan, applicants must live in Minnesota, have a certified disability and have Northwestern Bell residential telephone service. The equipment purchased must be compatible with the Bell System network. Additional information and applications forms are available by contacting the Telecommunications Center for Disabled Customers, toll-free, 1 (800) 223-3131 (voice or TDD), or by writing Northwestern Bell, TCDC, Room 142, 200 S. 5th St. Minneapolis, Minn. 55402.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

The Challenge of Disability: America's Communities Respond is an idea book on community action for persons who are disabled. It is available from the National Office on Disability, an organization designed to promote public awareness and inter-agency cooperation for the National Year of Disabled Persons. The book presents innovative ideas and programs launched by communities, states and national organizations to address problems and issues of disabled persons. Single copies are \$7.50 from the National Office on Disability, 1575 NW. Eye St., Washington, D.C. 20005.

Helpful Booklets for Parents

New materials developed by "Closer Look," a project sponsored by Parents' Campaign for Handicapped Children and Youth include:

- "One Step at a Time" a booklet by Barbara Schreiber;
- "Practical Advice to Parents: A Guide to Finding Help for Children with Handicaps," by Barbara Schreiber and Cory Moore; and
- "Know Your Rights and Use Them," an information paper.

Parents can obtain one copy of each document at no cost from the Dakota County Association for Retarded Citizens, (612) 457-2588, or from Closer Look, Box 1492, Washington, D.C. 20013

MISCELLANEOUS

Nominations Requested

The Vocational Rehabilitation Ombudsman Project, Inc. (VROP) is seeking a sheltered worker to fill a vacancy on its operating board. The person selected must be a Minnesota resident, and will be expected to attend Saturday meetings held quarterly. Travel expenses are paid by VROP.

Interested sheltered employees, or others who would be a valuable addition to this board are encouraged to call the VROP office collect. Tel. (612) 645-3468 (Voice) or (612) 645-5245 (TTY). Application deadline is Sept. 18.

MISCELLANEOUS (Continued)

National Study on Respite Care in Progress

Several hundred respite care programs nationwide are being reviewed by the Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC) of the United States. A nationwide survey has requested information on sponsorship, types of clients served, services offered, funding and family satisfaction. ARC plans to release survey result plus guidelines for establishing respite care programs in early 1983. Information Exchange will include more information on the study when it becomes available.

Maternal and Child Health Task Force to Hold Public Hearing

The Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Advisory Task Force began work in June on its legislative charge to advise the State Commissioner of Health on maternal and child health services. To fulfill its charge, the task force seeks to learn about public and private efforts that serve the special needs of mothers and children. Your experiences and ideas about problems and established programs geared to part of this population at risk are solicited.

The MCH advisory task force invites five-minute presentations by interested parties to be given at its Aug. 18 meeting, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. To make a presentation, indicate your intent in writing, by Aug. 11. If an oral presentation is not convenient, the task force will be pleased to receive your written statement; deadline for this is Aug. 18.

A written summary of your presentation is requested for the minutes. It is suggested that the summary of your program description outline the purpose of the program or agency, the clientele it serves, the geographic service area, the scope of services or activities and sources of funds. Programs and agencies previously reviewed by the MCH task force are not encouraged to make presentations at this meeting, although consumers of these services will be welcome to comment on their experiences.

MISCELLANEOUS (Continued)

Public Hearing (Continued)

For more information, contact Grace Gunmit, (612) 296-5377. Letters of Intent to make a presentation should be sent to Ms. Gunmit at Minnesota Department of Health, 717 SE. Delaware St., Minneapolis, MN 55440.

WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES

Aug 30, 31

"Sexuality and the Mentally Handicapped" is a conference sponsored by Planned Parenthood of Minnesota, 1965 Ford Pkwy., St. Paul, Minn. 55116. Conference speakers include: an advocate from Legal Advocacy for Developmental Disabilities, Phyllis Cooksey, director of education and training, and Ruth Markowitz, program coordinator. Both are employed at Planned Parenthood. For more information, contact Department of Education and Training, Planned Parenthood of Minnesota, at (612) 698-2401.

Sept. 11

The Minnesota Committee for the Handicapped will be holding a conference on the legislative process at the College of Catherine, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. The purpose of the workshop is to educate members of organizations on what the legislative issues are in vocational rehabilitation, employment, special education, developmental achievement centers, and residential services. Participants will also share information about the status of service cutbacks.

The two main speakers will be Frederick Weintraub from the National Council for Exceptional Children and Gene Mammenga, former state senator, currently lobbyist for the Minnesota Education Association.

Preregistration for the conference is \$5 and lunch is \$4. Registration at the door is \$7. Deadline for pre-registration is Sept. 6. For more information, call John Sherman, United Cerebral Palsy of Minnesota, Inc., at (612) 827-5641.

WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES (Continued)

Management Learning Program Offered

The Association of Residences for the Retarded in Minnesota (ARRM) announces that enrollment is open for its fall 1982 Management Learning Program. This is an eight-month independent study program for managers of community programs for developmentally disabled children and adults.

For more information, contact: Harold Tapper, ARRM, 459 Rice St., St. Paul, Minn. 55103. Tel. (612) 291-7475.

FUTURE EVENTS

Oct. 28, 29 and 30

Minnesota chapters of American Association on Mental Deficiency, The Association for the Severely Handicapped and Association of Behavior Analysts will be hold a joint annual conference at the Sunwood Inn, St. Cloud.

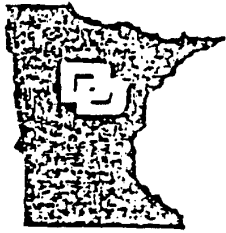
With a 'What's Happening' theme, this joint conference plans to explore questions and concerns of parents and professionals who work with people who are developmentally disabled.

Please mark your calendar for these dates. More information will be published in our September issue.

Nov 4-6

The Association for the Severely Handicapped (TASH) will hold its ninth annual conference in Denver, Colo.

Presentations will focus on curricula and instruction design, behavior management, assessment, personnel preparation, working with families and other aspects of services to severely handicapped persons. For registration information, write to TASH, 7010 NE. Roosevelt Way, Seattle, Wash. 98115.



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McKNIGHT GRANT AWARDS ANNOUNCED

August 1982

The Developmental Disabilities (DD) Program of the Minnesota Department of Energy, Planning and Development, recently announced the funding of 17 projects under two McKnight Foundation grant programs. Last January, the foundation made a three-year \$300,000 grant to the state DD program. The \$300,000 was divided into three \$100,000 programs, two of which were awarded July 8. The two programs are for improving accessibility for mobility-impaired persons at Development Achievement Centers (DACs) and for regional problem solving.

Grants for DAC accessibility improvement were approved for the following DACs: Alpha School (Albert Lea), Big Stone County DAC, Brown-Nicollet Counties DAC, Developmental Learning Center (Eagan), East Range DAC (Eveleth), Faribault County DAC, Fillmore County DAC, LeSueur County DAC, and Martin County DAC.

The following grants for regional problem solving were approved: Alternatives for Autistic People, Inc., for daytime programming for severely disabled adults; Association for Retarded Citizens-Duluth, for assisting developmentally disabled persons in the criminal justice system; Minnesota Department of Education, for interagency cooperation to identify preschool children with developmental disabilities; Freshwater-Woodland Cooperative Center (Staples), for coordination of services to developmentally disabled children from birth to four years; Northwestern Regional Development Commission (Crookston), for adult foster care; Olmsted Developmental Achievement Center (Rochester), for integration of older developmentally disabled citizens into senior citizen day programs; Region Nine Development Commission (Mankato), for coordination of behavior management programs; and Service Industries, Inc., (Redwood Falls), for vocational training and employment opportunities.

NATIONAL CENTER FOR LAW AND THE DEAF CLARIFIES SUPREME COURT OPINION

The National Center for Law and the Deaf (NCLD) recently released an analysis paper to clarify impacts of a U.S. Supreme Court ruling in the case of Amy Rowley, a child who is profoundly deaf. The NCLD is responding to what it says are misleading press reports on the case.

On June 28, 1982, the supreme court made a decision involving the Education for All Handicapped Children Act, Hendrick Hudson School District vs. Rowley. Although the supreme court found that Rowley was receiving an appropriate education without an interpreter, the court upheld the fundamental parts of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act. These include individualized instruction; sufficient support services to benefit from education; such instruction and services to be at public expense; parental involvement in development of individualized education programs; due process rights for parents; and judicial review.

The court's decision regarding this child has no direct effect on existing educational plans and programs for similar children who may be able to demonstrate that they need such services to benefit from their educational program.

Accompanying the analysis is a list of the most common questions NCLD has received about the case with appropriate answers. A copy of the analysis and the questions and answers maybe obtained from the Developmental Disabilities Program Office, 201 Capitol Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 296-4018.

NATIONAL REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION OFFERED TO WORKERS IN HUMAN SERVICES

A national system for voluntary registration and certification of mental health and human service workers will be available this year. The Paraprofessional Manpower Branch of the National Institute of Mental Health has provided support in developing the new system. A new organization, the National Commission for Human Service Workers, is being formed to operate the system.

Registration as a mental health or human service worker is intended to be a simple and inexpensive procedure for large numbers of workers to achieve basic occupational identity. It is available to any student or worker who completes the application, pays a \$15 fee and provides evidence that minimal training (30 hours) and experience requirements (three months) have been met.

Certification is a voluntary, competency-based system designed to assess and certify basic mental health or human service competence. The process involves three assessments: an objective multiple-choice test; a clinical simulation exercise; and the assembly of a portfolio documenting the worker's competence.

For further information, contact Angela Holweger, Executive Director, National Commission for Human Service Workers, 615 Peachtree St., Suite 820, Atlanta, Ga. 30308. Tel. (404) 875-9211.

PUBLICATIONS

A Difference in the Family: Living With a Disabled Child, by Helen Featherstone, is a paperback published by Penguin Books in 1981, that focuses on the entire family in which the disabled child is an integral part. It is "must" reading for parents and professionals. It is about fear, anger, loneliness, guilt and self-doubt, marital stress, brothers and sisters, getting and giving help, and, most important, acceptance. The author is the mother of a child with severe handicaps and her book is filled with knowledge, personal experiences and compassion. Available from most bookstores.

REPORT CLAIMS TECHNOLOGY'S POTENTIAL UNFULFILLED FOR DISABLED PERSONS

According to a recent report by the Congressional Office of Technology Assessment, "technology's great potential for aiding disabled people has not been fulfilled." The most serious problems preventing the effective use of technology, are "financing for the acquisition or use of technologies, conflicting and ill-defined goals, and uncoordinated programs," the report said. The U.S. government spends \$36 billion a year on social programs that support the income of disabled people. This is five times what it spends on research and development (\$66 million per year). Better use of technology represents a cost-effective approach toward meeting the needs of handicapped citizens, the report concluded.

"Technology and Handicapped People," Stock No. 052-003-00874-2) is available for \$7 from: Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D.C. 20052.

"VESTIBULAR STIMULATION" -- A PROMISING TREATMENT

"When parents rock or bounce their babies, or simply carry them about, they may be benefitting their children more than they know. There is mounting scientific evidence that this kind of movement is related to the growth of motor skills in children..." These findings were recently released in Research Progress (Spring 1982) of the John F. Kennedy Center in Nashville, Tenn. Two Kennedy Center scientists, Alfred A. Baumeister and William E. MacLean Jr., are investigating the effects of "vestibular" or inner ear stimulation on the motor development and stereotyped behavior of developmentally delayed children. Vestibular stimulation occurs in the inner ear, which helps to maintain balance and visual orientation. Such early intervention may have ramifications beyond motor development, since there is evidence in research literature that motor competence may be a necessary prerequisite for more mature cognitive functioning as well.

For more information, write: Office of Information Services, John F. Kennedy Center, Box 40, Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn. 37203.

NEW LAW INTENDED TO PREVENT INAPPROPRIATE HOSPITAL COMMITMENTS

The Minnesota Commitment Act of 1982 will go into effect Aug. 1, 1982. This new law includes many safeguards for protecting the rights of people with mental illness, chemical dependency and mental retardation. It is intended to reduce the possibility of inappropriate commitments.

A helpful flow chart was recently published by the Minnesota Social Service Association that outlines the process. A copy may be obtained by contacting the Developmental Disabilities Program Office, 201 Capitol Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101.

PARENTS MONITOR GROUP HOMES

An innovative program using parents to monitor group homes was recently initiated in Michigan. A partnership was formed between the Macomb-Oakland Regional Center (MORC) and the Association for MORC, a parent advocacy group. Its purpose is to ensure the best possible care and quality services for persons who are mentally retarded. For more information, write: Ruth Taylor, Association for MORC, Macomb-Oakland Regional Center, 16200-19 Mile Rd., Mount Clemens, Mich. 48044.

DISABILITY FILM WINS AWARD

"There's More to Me Than What you See," a half-hour film produced by the American Lutheran Church, has received a Golden Eagle Certificate, presented by The Council on International Non-Theatrical Events. Winning in the social problems documentary category, the film illustrates the physical, emotional and societal barriers faced by persons with disabling conditions. The prize authorized the film to represent the United States and American cinematography in international film festivals. The film can be rented for \$15.75, plus postage, through the audiovisual department of the Augsburg Publishing House, 426 S. 5th St., Minneapolis, Minn. 55415. Tel. (612) 330-3352.

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

Aug. 17, 18, 19.

"Conversations '82: Our Changing Countryside" is the Countryside Council's second national conference designed to stimulate discussion about rural values, problems and public policy. To be held on the campus of Southwest State University, Marshall, Minn. Contact: Countryside Council, P.O. Box 78, Marshall, Minn. 56238. Tel. (507) 532-9641.

Sept. 13-16

"Training Midwest '82." Training Magazine's first annual conference and exhibition will be held at Hyatt Regency O'Hare in Chicago. This should be of interest to people involved in training and staff development in human services. For information, contact: Training Midwest Seminar Director, Conference Management Corporation, 17 Washington St., Box 4990, Norwalk, Conn. 06856.

Sept. 15-17

"Going Beyond Survival" is an advanced level educational conference sponsored by United Way's Voluntary Action Center in St. Paul. Planning and collaboration will be key themes. Registration fee of \$130 includes conference materials, lodging and meals. The conference will be held at the Koinonia Retreat Center, Annandale, Minn. Contact: Vi Russell, Community Volunteer Service of the St. Croix Valley Area. (612) 429-7434.

Sept. 22-24

"The Rural Experience in Community Support Programs" will be held at the Holiday Inn, Eveleth, Minnesota, to explore how the continuum of care system fits into the rural service delivery system. Contact: Norma Schleppegrell, Range Mental Health Center, Virginia, Minn. Tel. (218) 298-4440.

YEARNING FOR LEARNING

The state Developmental Disabilities Program Office has acquired several education and training and resource materials. They may be borrowed from each of the regional developmental disabilities offices and from the state program office, St. Paul. Each month, this section of DD Information Exchange highlights sections from these resources to provide information to potential buyers. The following selections are available from DD Regional Offices.

Effective Educational and Behavioral Programming for Severely and Profoundly Handicapped Students; A Manual for Teachers and Aides, Dorothy Popovich, Brooks Publishing Company, 1981. This is a practical "how to" manual that adapts behavior modification techniques to the special problems faced in teaching severely and profoundly handicapped students. Emphasis is placed on how to design individualized curricula to optimize learning. An entire chapter is devoted to aversive treatment and how to decrease inappropriate behaviors. Questions and answers for self-testing accompany each chapter.

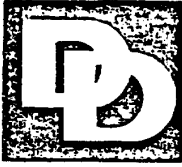
Normalization, Social Integration and Community Services, Robert J. Flynn and Kathleen E. Nitsch (eds.), University Park Press, 1980. Widespread, rapid adoption of the concept of normalization has sometimes been accompanied by superficial understanding of the term, which has affected proper implementation of programs for persons with developmental disabilities. This treatise clarifies and completely updates the principles of normalization as they relate to community services. It provides systematic statements by the three most influential definers of normalization: Wolf Wolfensberger, Bengt Nirje, and Neils Bank-Mikkelsen. Also included is a comprehensive bibliography of normalization literature.

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METRO DD PROGRAM NOTES

MNASH Conference Set for October

A conference cosponsored by the Minnesota Association for the Severely Handicapped (MNASH), Minnesota Chapter of the American Association on Mental Deficiency and the Minnesota Association of Behavioral Analysts, is scheduled for Oct. 28, 29 and 30 at the Sunwood Inn, St. Cloud, Minn.

The conference, "What's Happening," will provide updated information for parents, service providers and the general public on new programs and curricula for persons with severe and chronic handicaps. Each sponsoring organization will have its own agenda of speakers, panel discussions and presentations of papers.

State and regional developmental disabilities programs actively support MNASH activities since they focus solely on severely handicapped persons. A membership application to MNASH and more conference information is included in this newsletter.

Notice to Certificate of Need Applicants

At the direction of the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Health, the certificate of need application for intermediate care facilities for mentally retarded persons (ICFs-MR) will require

Certificate of Need (Continued)

more detailed information. The review will include a comprehensive analysis of issues related to cost containment and long-term financial solvency of proposed ICFs-MR as well as reviewing the need for such health facilities.

To ensure inclusion of appropriate information and data related to these criteria, current and potential developers are advised to call Metropolitan Health Planning Board staff, Toni Lippert (291-6364) or Tom Chapel (291-6357) prior to submitting an application. Technical assistance and direction will be provided in detail to ensure that applicants understand what information is needed to complete the Board's analysis. If this information is not included, the applications will be considered incomplete, which may cause unnecessary delay in the review process.

CEREBRAL PALSY GROUP CHANGES NAME

United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Minneapolis, Inc. is now Cerebral Palsy Center, Inc. The name change is the result of having legally disaffiliated with the national and state organizations, United Cerebral Palsy Associations, Inc. and United Cerebral Palsy of Minnesota, Inc. The disaffiliation will allow the organization to make more effective use of its resources.

Cerebral Palsy Center's programs remain the same. Programs and services will continue to be provided for children and adults with cerebral palsy and for children and adults with other physical and mental handicaps.

TO: ALL PERSONS WORKING AND LIVING WITH HANDICAPPED PEOPLE

FROM: MNASH, MINN ABA, AAMD

RE: 1982 FALL CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 28-29-30, 1982

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

- WAYNE SAILOR, SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY, TASH PRESIDENT- WILL DISCUSS SERVICE DELIVERY INCLUDING INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS AND A FEDERAL UPDATE.
- ROBERT SPRAGUE, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS-URBANA, INSTITUTE FOR CHILD BEHAVIOR AND DEVELOPMENT - WILL DISCUSS MEDICATION RESEARCH METHODOLOGY.
- STEPHEN BREUNING, UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH, SCHOOL OF MEDICINE- WILL DISCUSS THE USE OF MEDICATION AND CRITICAL RESEARCH FINDINGS.
- JERRY MARTIN, SUNLAND CENTER-FLORIDA - WILL DISCUSS ISSUES RELATED TO LIMITATIONS ON HABILITATION.

TOPICS WILL INCLUDE RESEARCH FINDINGS, POLITICAL AND LEGAL ISSUES, SERVICE DELIVERY INNOVATIONS AND ADVOCACY APPROACHES IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

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PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 15, 1982.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND PRE-REGISTRATION MATERIALS CONTACT:

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- Day Program and Residential Staff
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Regular	\$7.50	Must hold Regular membership in TASH	All
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Student/ Paraprofessional	\$4.00	Must hold Student/Paraprofessional membership in TASH	All
Affiliate	\$7.50	Additional fee for TASH Newsletter subscription	All-not eligible for Governing Board

Name: _____ Date: _____
Home Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____
TASH Membership Number: _____
Employer: _____

Check any of the following that indicate your involvement with persons with severe handicaps:

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Send application and check to: Neil Doughty
MNASH Membership Chairperson
113-8th Avenue North
Hopkins, Minnesota 55343
(612) 788-9248

RESPIRE CARE FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

Starting in September, St. David's Day Activity Center, 13000 St. David's Rd., Hopkins, will offer respite care from Monday through Friday, 12:30-5:30 p.m., for handicapped children age six months to seven years. Cost is \$1.25 an hour for each child. For more information, call Marilyn Bloom at (612) 935-3336.

GRANTS

Education Grants Announced

The federal Department of Education has announced grant funding for projects in student-initiated research, technology and school-based research.

Student-initiated research project grants will be made to colleges and universities for students who initiate and direct research projects on the education of handicapped persons. The application deadlines are Sept. 1 for the first cycle and March 17, 1983, for the second. Grants will average \$8,333.

Technology project grants are to support projects on the use of technological devices and systems in schools and by students who are handicapped. The application deadline is Sept. 15. Grants will average \$50,000.

School-based research project grants are based on data from school records used to focus on issues relating to the education of handicapped persons. The application deadline is Sept. 15. Grants will average \$45,000.

The amount of current funding and number of grants for each program has not been determined.

For more information, contact: Max Mueller, Research Projects Branch, Special Education Programs, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Av. S.W., Washington, D.C., tel. (202) 345-9836.

GRANTS (Continued)

Grants awarded by Foundations

Some foundations award grants on a percentage basis. For example, during 1980, the Benedun Foundation in Pittsburgh, Pa., awarded 12 percent of its total grants to projects falling under the category of "handicapped." The Frueauff Foundation in New York awarded six percent of its total grant funds for such purposes and the Edwards Memorial Trust in St. Paul, Minn., awarded 31 percent of its grant funds to such programs.

For further information, contact: Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation, 223 4th Av., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15222; Charles A. Frueauff Foundation, Inc., 70 Pine St., New York, N.Y. 10005 or the Edwards Memorial Trust, c/o First Trust Company of St. Paul, W-535 First National Bank Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101.

This information is from Supplement No. 45, Federal Programs Advisory Service, Washington, D.C.

SERVICES

The Family Tree Needs Information

The Family Tree, a clinic specializing in reproductive and gynecological services is asking disabled persons to fill out a questionnaire to determine whether the clinic's medical service area should be made handicapped accessible.

The clinic, 1599 Selby Av. in St. Paul, currently offers a sexuality education program for disabled people and their families.

For more information, or to request a questionnaire, call Debbie Rechner at (612) 645-0478.

PUBLICATIONS

A Handicapped Child in Your Home, Children's Bureau. This publication speaks of adjustments necessary for parents of severely handicapped children, but also of the rewards for a family facing this task. Single copy free from: Library Statutory Distribution Service, Dept. 76, Washington, D.C. 20401.

All Children Grow and Learn: Activities for Parents of Children with Developmental Problems, Deborah Spitalnik, Irving Rosenstein, eds. This publication is a simple and clear explanation of developmental delays as well as activities to keep children learning daily living skills. Available for \$1 from: Temple University Developmental Disabilities Center, Ritter Annex, Philadelphia, Pa. 19122.

Helping Mentally Retarded Infants Learn. A resource guide for parents that provides an overview of infant learning and describes books that would be helpful to parents in home activities. Cost: \$.70, which includes postage. Available from: Association for Retarded Citizens National Headquarters, 2501 Avenue J, Arlington, Tex. 76011.

New Directions for Parents of Persons Who are Retarded, Robert Perske. A publication that deals simply and honestly with parents' feelings and conveys a philosophy of acceptance that should be helpful to any parent. Cost \$1.95. Abingdon Press, 2018th Av. S. Nashville, Tenn. 37202.

Accessibility List of Meeting and Lodging Facilities in Minnesota

State law requires that meetings and conferences, sponsored in whole or in part by the state, be conducted in facilities accessible to disabled persons. The Minnesota State Council for the Handicapped has developed a listing of those places meeting current state specifications on barrier-free design.

PUBLICATIONS (Continued)

For a free copy of this list, contact Susan Lasoff at the Minnesota Council for the Handicapped, 208 Metro Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 296-6785.

Legal Rights Supplement

Legal Advocacy has completed a 1982 supplement to its advocacy manual, Legal Rights of Developmentally Disabled Persons.

The supplement updates the manual by noting changes that have occurred since the manual's publication in 1979.

To order the supplement, send a check for \$2.65 (\$2 for the supplement, 65¢ postage) to: Legal Advocacy for Developmentally Disabled Persons in Minnesota, 222 Grain Exchange Bldg., 323 4th Av. S., Minneapolis, Minn. 55415. To order the original manual and supplement, send a check for \$6 (this includes postage).

GREETING CARDS

The Association for Retarded Citizens, (ARC) Dakota County, will again have Christmas cards for sale. They will sell for \$6 for a box of 25.

Volunteers are needed to help sell the cards. Persons who can display the cards or a color brochure are asked to call Marianne at the ARC office. Tel. (612) 457-2588.

A catalog of Christmas cards is available from Courage Center. Contact the Center at 3915 Golden Valley Rd., Golden Valley, Minn. 55422. Tel. (612) 588-0811.

MISCELLANEOUS

Professional Certification Available

The first people to meet certification standards established by the American Qualified Mental Retardation Professionals Association (AQMRPA) have received their certificates. Certification is based on relevant education, training and experience the field of mental retardation.

The purpose of AQMRPA is to determine if a person's qualifications are adequate to enable him or her to provide professional, programmatic services to persons with mental retardation or similar disabilities.

Certification fees are \$52 for the first year and \$35 for each year thereafter. Annual renewal of certification requires evidence of completion of at least 30 hours of applicable training or in-service work.

Eligible persons are those employed in residential facilities, agencies or offices dealing with mental retardation or other areas where professional knowledge, abilities and skills about the nature and program needs of mentally retarded persons are needed.

For more information, contact Jerry Walsh, Box 393, Victoria, Minn. 55286. Tel. (612) 474-5974.

Funding Cutbacks Cancel Program

Funding cutbacks have ended the Citizen Advocate Development Recruitment and Evaluation Program (CADRE), a program for developmentally disabled people involved with the criminal justice system.

John Mackey, former CADRE project advocate is currently involved in crime prevention training for group home residents and staff. He can be reached at 874-6650. The former project director, Sharon Southard, is working for the Minneapolis Crime Prevention Center, 310 4th Av. S., Suite 100, Minneapolis, Minn. 55414. Tel. (612) 348-6523.

CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS

Oct. 9

"Computer Power for the Hearing Impaired" is a conference that will focus on the use of home computers for education, personal use and telecommunication for persons who are hearing impaired and their families.

It will be held at the Hennepin County Vocational Technical Institute, South Campus, Hwy. 169 and I-494, Eden Prairie, Minn. Pre-registration deadline is Sept. 20.

For information on costs, or to receive a registration form, contact: Tom Karnowski, 4532 N. Douglas Dr., Crystal, Minn. 55422. Tel. (612) 536-9539.

Oct. 28-30

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ADDITIONS DD TO RESOURCE LIBRARY
September 1982
(Hours: 8:30-5 p.m. - For use in Library only)

DEINSTITUTIONALIZATION

Wisconsin's Residential Continuum: Four Case Studies Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy Newsletter, (WCA) July 1981.

The history of residential services which emerged in the 1970's to promote deinstitutionalization from the State Centers.

FINANCIAL ISSUES

Final Report and Recommendations of the Governor's Task Force on Health Care, October 1981.

Contains recommendations of the Task Force on Health Care that was appointed by Governor Albert H. Quie and provided for by the Minnesota Legislature in May 1981. The official charge and the recommendations of the task force are included in the report.

Can Wisconsin Afford Institutions, Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy Newsletter (WCA). April 1981.

This newsletter examines the proposed 1981-83 biennial budget for Wisconsin, and how the budget has been shaped by an impending financial crisis and how its provisions will affect disabled people who do not live in institutions.

Fiscal Crisis: Dangers and Opportunities, Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy Newsletter (WCA) February 1982.

An examination of the dangers to programs for people with disabilities, at the federal, state and county levels because of rising costs from inflation, growing pressure to cut taxes and reduced revenues from the economic recession.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Service Recommendations and Needs Assessment of the Deaf-Blind Population of Minnesota, Department of Public Welfare, July 1982.

An assessment by the Department of Public Welfare of the human services currently available to the deaf-blind population in Minnesota, and recommendations to improve the service availability and coordination.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

When Does Care Become Incarceration? Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy Newsletter (WCA). January 1981.

In early 1981 WCA completed a study called Life in Limbo which examined the ways in which the environment of nursing homes affects the capacity of persons who are developmentally disabled to have a valuable and contributing life in the community. This newsletter examines the study.

Report on Private Residential Care for Mentally Retarded Persons in the U.S. from 1972-74. National Association of Private Residential Facilities for the Mentally Retarded.

A national study of out-of-home living arrangements for people who are mentally retarded. Originally conceived as an effort to document what was occurring in large, private residential programs serving people who were mentally retarded, the study was expanded to identify each and every private, out-of-home residential program in the country that was serving one or more retarded persons.

RESPIRE CARE

Demonstrating Continuum of Respite Care and Parent Training services for Families of Persons With Developmental Disabilities - A Co-operative/University Service Agency Program - United Cerebral Palsy Associations Inc., New York. Dec. 1979.

Guidelines that present a model for technical assistance that can foster development of respite care programs and refinement of services with respite care functions.

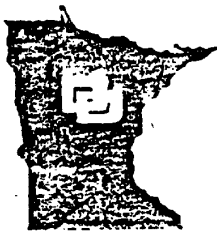
VOCATIONAL TRAINING

A Report of the Assessment of Vocational Education Alternatives (VEA) by Means of Program Analysis of Service Systems (PASS). Lynn Breedlove, Terri Johnson, Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy, March 1981.

Conclusions and recommendations of a team of nine people who visited and evaluated Vocational Education Alternatives in Madison, WI. The team used an evaluation instrument called Program Analysis of Service Systems (PASS).

Mental Retardation Services in Sheltered Workshops and Day Activity Program: Consumer Outcomes and Policy Alternatives. G. Thomas Bellamy, Larry E. Rhodes, Philip E. Bourbeau, David M. Mank, University of Oregon.

An appraisal of the current status of employment and related services for individuals with mental retardation who are served in sheltered workshops and day activity programs.



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REGIONALIZED TRAINING FOR DD STAFFS BEGINS THIS FALL

A comprehensive three-year staff training program will be launched this fall by the Developmental Disabilities Training Program, assisted by the Government Training Service (GTS). This new program is made possible by a McKnight Foundation grant to the developmental disabilities program of the Minnesota Department of Energy, Planning and Development. GTS will provide training services under contract with the state. Kay S. Zwernik has recently joined GTS as training specialist for the project.

During the first year, workshops will be specially designed and presented for managers of developmental achievement centers, sheltered workshops and residential facilities. Agencies will be encouraged to participate in a series of eight management workshops. Managers will complete a self-assessment of their organizations, using a workbook provided as part of the project. In addition, follow-up consultation is planned.

The first workshops will be presented in northwest and southwest Minnesota. Delivery will then be expanded to the remaining regions. "Regionalization will help to minimize participants' travel costs and time away from the job," said Zwernik.

The second phase of the program will provide training for direct care staff and will also be delivered on a regional basis.

For additional information, contact: Kay S. Zwernik, GTS, Suite 202, Minnesota Bldg., 46 E. 4th St., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. (612) 222-7409.

STUDY SAYS: GROUP HOMES DO NOT AFFECT PROPERTY VALUES

Changes in property values are not related to the presence of a group home on the block. This was one of the major conclusions of a recent study conducted by the developmental disabilities program of the Department of Energy, Planning and Development. The report, "An Analysis of Minnesota Property Values of Community Intermediate Care Facilities for Mentally Retarded (ICF-MRs)," is number 11 in the Policy Analysis Series; Issues Related to Welsch vs. Noot (July 1, 1982).

The study confirmed results of earlier research in Minnesota and in other parts of the U.S. on the impact of group homes on surrounding neighborhoods. It also looked at any marked increase of buying and selling of surrounding homes before and after group homes were established in a neighborhood. "Neither the number nor the timing of property transactions in a neighborhood has anything to do with the establishment of a group home," the report said.

Results were based on the study of a random sample of 34 group homes and their neighbors throughout Minnesota. Such findings may be particularly helpful to future group home developers to allay fears and misconceptions commonly expressed by potential neighborhood opponents.

The property value study will automatically be sent to those on the Series mailing list. Or it may be obtained by contacting: Developmental Disabilities Program Office, 201 Capitol Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 296-4018.

THINK WINTER--THINK SKI FOR LIGHT INTERNATIONAL

Applications for the ninth annual "Ski for Light International" at Telemark Lodge, Cable, Wis., are due Nov. 15. Ski for Light is a week-long program (Feb. 27-March 6, 1983) designed to introduce visually impaired and other physically disabled adults to cross-country skiing. For further information, write: Healthsports, Inc., 1455 W. Lake St., Minneapolis, Minn. 55408.

INFORMATION ON DISABLED PARENTS NEEDED

The North Coast Regional Center in California seeks information concerning children who have developmentally disabled parents. If anyone has knowledge of any research or written materials on this subject, or is aware of support groups for developmentally disabled parents, please contact: Grace L. Brown, Counselor, North Coast Regional Center, 808 E. St., Eureka, Calif. 95501. Tel. (707) 445-0893.

"PLANTS FOR PEOPLE" MAY MEAN JOBS FOR PEOPLE

"Plants for People" is a new national project to find jobs in horticulture for disabled persons, announced by the National Council for Therapy and Rehabilitation through Horticulture. Representing human service organizations and horticulture businesses, council president, Kenneth T. Stoutamire said, "We feel that the horticulture community can train and hire disabled Americans in good stable jobs. It is the council's hope that the horticulture industry will embrace this concept and support the project fully and enthusiastically." A national public/private sector partnership is proposed to guide and direct the effort.

For further information, contact:
National Council for Therapy and
Rehabilitation through Horticulture, 701
N. St. Asaph St., Alexandria, Va. 22314.
Tel. (703) 836-4609.

PACER TO HOLD MEETINGS ON PROPOSED SPECIAL EDUCATION RULES

In response to proposed rules by the U.S. Department of Education about special education, the Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights (PACER) will sponsor three informational meetings in the Twin Cities in September.

"If approved, the proposed revisions would entail significant changes in special education procedures and in the parental role," according to the codirectors of PACER Center, Paula Goldberg and Marge Goldberg. "It is important that parents become informed about what the changes involve. The public will have until Nov. 2 to make their views known by writing letters to Washington," said Paula Goldberg.

The meetings will be similar in content, so it would not be necessary to attend more than one session. Dates and locations are as follows:

- Friday, Sept. 10, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.,
McRae Park Bldg., (across the street
from the PACER office at 4701 Chicago
Av., Minneapolis;
- Wednesday, Sept. 22, 9 a.m.- 12
p.m. McRae Park Bldg.;
- Wednesday, Sept. 29, 7-10 p.m., St.
Paul Vocational Technical Institute
auditorium, Marion St., St. Paul.)

For more information on the meetings or the proposed rules (P.L. 94-142), contact: PACER Center, 4701 Chicago Av. S., Minneapolis, Minn. 55407. (Tel. (612) 827-2966).

PUBLICATIONS

An Update on the Medicaid Home and Community Care Waiver Authority. This is a fact-filled report about the many developments that have occurred during the first half of 1982. The report particularly concerns the implementation of Title XIX waiver authority, provided in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 (P.L. 97-35). The statutory aim of this new authority is to help states circumvent existing statutory requirements that prevent Medicaid funding of noninstitutional services for elderly and disabled persons who otherwise would require care in Title XIX certified institutions. Minnesota has not yet utilized this waiver as an alternative for funding community programs.

The Update and the original December 1981 report are available for \$10 each from the National Association of State Mental Retardation Program Directors, Inc., 113 Oronoco St., Alexandria, Va. 22314.

Working with the Developmentally Disabled Person and the Family: A Manual for Instruction of the Homemaker-Home Health Aide. Soon to be released, this curriculum addresses the training needs of those who provide respite services for persons with developmental disabilities and their families. This is a sequel to a previously published document Basic Training Curriculum and Teaching Guide by the same author. Contact: National Council for Homemaker-Home Health Aide Services, Inc., 67 Irving Pl., New York, N.Y. 10003. (Tel. (212) 674-4990.)

The Mental Disability Law Reporter has recently expanded its coverage to include legal topics of concern to physically disabled as well as mentally disabled persons. Subscriptions to this bimonthly journal are \$50 per year (\$40 for public defenders, legal aid and poverty law offices and nonlegal client protection programs). Contact: Commission on the Mentally Disabled, American Bar Association, 1800 NW. M St., Washington, D.C. 20036. (Tel. (202) 331-2240.

EVENTS

Sept. 11.

"SOS-Save Our Services; How You Can Fight the Cutbacks," a workshop sponsored by the Minnesota Committee for the Handicapped (MCH), will be held from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the College of St. Catherine, 2004 Randolph Av., St. Paul, (St. Joseph's Hall - Marion Lounge). Frederick Weintraub from the National Council for Exceptional Children will present "The Washington Scene--More Disasters Ahead." For registration, contact: MCH, c/o United Cerebral Palsy of Minnesota, S-233 Griggs-Midway Bldg., 1821 University Av., St. Paul, Minn. 55101.

Nov. 5-7

"The Challenges of Down's Syndrome" is the 10th Annual Down's Syndrome Congress Convention to be held at the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago. Contact: Down's Syndrome Congress, 1640 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago, Ill. 60608. Tel. (312) 226-0416.

YEARNING FOR LEARNING

The state Developmental Disabilities Program Office has acquired several education and training and resource materials. They may be borrowed from each of the regional Developmental Disabilities offices and from the state program office in St. Paul. Each month, this section of DD Information Exchange highlights selections from these resources to provide information to potential buyers. The following selections are available from DD Regional Offices.

Achievement in Residential Services for Persons with Disabilities: Toward Excellence, Tony Apolloni, Joanna Cappuccille and Thomas Cooke (eds.) University Park Press, 1980. Programs and experiments described in this paperback book provide a broad review of residential alternatives to state institutions for persons with developmental disabilities. Several contributing authors identify major problems and opportunities from their "real world" experiences in California, Michigan, Nebraska, Pennsylvania and Canada. Although the content originated from a 1977 conference held in Pomona, Calif., the enthusiasm and ideas expressed still have great relevance to those who share the common goal of creating and maintaining wholesome living environments in community settings for people labeled as being "developmentally disabled."

Leisure Programs for Handicapped Persons: Adaptations, Techniques and Curriculum, Paul Wehman and Stuart Schiele, University Park Press, 1981. This paperback manual covers sequenced activities, instructional techniques and over 100 sports, games and hobbies in task analysis format. It can be used by anyone involved in planning effective leisure-time curricula for people with handicaps. Data-based case studies demonstrate the validity of selected skills. Emphasis is placed upon age-appropriate activities that encourage integration of handicapped with nonhandicapped persons and independent utilization of community recreational facilities. The manual also is recommended in working with people with severe handicaps, to encourage participation and avoid exclusive reliance on sedentary leisure activities.

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METRO DD PROGRAM NOTES

DD Program Announces Work Planned For Fiscal Year 1983

The Metropolitan Council's Developmental Disabilities (DD) work program will have two major objectives for fiscal year 1983. They are: to develop strategies to cope with reduced government assistance and to maintain service capacity to meet identified need of the Twin Cities Area's DD residents.

Because traditional government programs have been cut back, the Metropolitan Council's DD program will:

- Assist service developers to obtain alternate resources through the private sector;
- Help counties secure more stable funding and improve administration of services;
- Help consumers obtain more in-home family support services.

The Council's DD program will collect need assessment data, publish information on new services, hold training workshops and participate in developing new, cost-effective services and appropriate policies and regulations.

The program's objectives for fiscal year 1983 (October 1982 through September 1983) are to:

1. Secure alternate resources for DD

- Establish contacts and joint actions with private sector donors (foundations, corporations, United Way, churches, civic organizations, etc.) to further DD goals consistent with the Council's Metropolitan Development Guide ;

- Assist applicants to obtain private sector funding by providing informational packets, data, research and a workshop on proposal-writing techniques; and

- Assist local counties and DD consumers to obtain increased and more stable funding for residential, day and in-home family support services through changes in state and county legislation, policy and administration.

2. Ensure accessibility to quality services:

- Provide timely information on DD program to DD consumers, families and professionals through the DD newsletter, information and referral, the DD resource and curriculum libraries and public information sessions; and
- Improve service quality through provider and consumer education/training sessions and meetings with other Minnesota DD regional programs; and
- Respond to proposed service development, policy, legislative and regulatory change and initiate opportunities to participate in research and policy development with public and private agencies to achieve decisions consistent with the Council's Metropolitan Development Guide.

3. Implement DD Program effectively

- Complete management tasks, including personnel supervision/training, progress and budget reports, support for Council, Health Planning Board, DD Task Force.
- Renew grant by developing approved work program and budget.

Metro DD Program Notes (Continued)

DD Task Force Member Names

The Developmental Disabilities Task Force has announced its members for fiscal year 1983. Following members' names the letters "GP" mean general public, "C" means consumer and "P" means provider. The members are:

Kathryn Beebe, Chair - GP
Kay Zwernik, Vice-Chair - P
Carolyn Anderson - P
Jay Bischoff - P
Harold Booker - C
Mary Busch - GP
Michele Ellis - P
Diane Fleetham - C
Bernadette Hughes - C
Dennis Johnson - P
Ramona Jung - P
Barbara Kaminski - C
Nancy Ledin - C
Mary Libera - C
Dr. Dennis Matthews - P
Al Oertwig - P
Sharon Sayles - C
Eileen Schmokel - C
Joan Schoepke - C
Katherine Schultz - P
Deborah Skwarek - C
Richard L. Stroncek - C
Sally Swallen - C
Robert Teeling - P
Linda Ting - C

Regional DD Curriculum Libraries Listed

Note: Books from the Developmental Disabilities Curriculum Libraries may be borrowed from DD libraries in the region where the reader resides. In the Metropolitan Area, books must be checked out in person. Outside the Area, please contact the closest regional office from the following list:

Northwest Regional Development Commission
425 Woodland Av.
Crookston, Minn. 56716.

Arrowhead Regional Development Commission
200 Arrowhead Place,
211 W. 2nd St.,
Duluth, Minn. 55802.

Libraries (Continued)

Region 5 Development Commission
611 Iowa Av.
Staples, Minn. 56479.

Region 6E Regional Development Commission
333 W. 5th St.,
Willmar, Minn. 56201

East Central RDC
119 S. Lake St.
Mora, Minn. 55051

Southwest Regional Development Commission
Box 265
Slayton, Minn. 56172

Region 9 Development Commission
410 S. 5th St.,
Mankato, Minn. 56001

SE. Minn. Development Disabilities Project
Box 4, Court Sq. Mall
132 St. Anthony
Preston, Minn. 55965.

MISCELLANEOUS

Partners of the Americas Project

The Partners of the Americas Project (PATH/Americas), funded by IBM Americas/Far East Corporation, is establishing five resource centers in the United States. They are intended to promote disability prevention and rehabilitation in 21 Latin American countries and the Caribbean. The centers, located in the states of New York, Oregon, Idaho, Colorado and Minnesota, are seeking technical assistance to locate or create low-cost approaches to disability prevention. The centers also seek to provide teachers with methods and materials to educate handicapped students and to encourage families to work at home with their children to help them develop more rapidly.

For more information about the project, or to offer assistance, contact:
PATH/Americas, 2001 NW S. St., Washington,
D.C. 20009. Tel. (202) 332-7332.

MISCELLANEOUS (Continued)

New Badge for Boy Scouts

The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) have created a Handicapped Awareness merit badge in an effort to acquaint the public with needs of persons who are mentally or physically handicapped. Requirements for earning the badge include: learning about training and employment of handicapped persons; studying literature about accessibility of public and private places and working with handicapped persons for 15 hours during a three-month period.

Parents of scouts are encouraged to call their local scoutmaster to see whether or not the badge is being offered. For more information, call Kent York, Indian Council BSA at (612) 224-1891.

Information Requested

A doctoral candidate in educational psychology at the University of Minnesota is studying the coping patterns of mothers of children with physical or mental disabilities and their adjustment to their children. Mothers of children up to six years of age are being sought for the study and will be asked to respond to four questionnaires. Each mother who completes and returns the questionnaire will receive a \$5 thank-you gift. All replies will be confidential.

Mothers interested in participating in the study may send their names and addresses to Judith R. Thompson or Dr. Dewey Force, 253 Burton Hall, 178 SE. Pillsbury Dr., Minneapolis, Minn. 55455.

Homecrafter Gifts for Sale

Courage Center Homecrafters gifts created by artisans with physical disabilities will be available at the following shopping centers:

Southdale - Oct. 11-16;
Brookdale - Oct. 25-30; and
Rosedale - Nov. 1-6.

A variety of handcrafted toys, clothing, woodcrafts and other items will be displayed.

Homecrafter Gifts (Continued)

Courage Center Homecrafters is a nonprofit program that teaches craft skills to homebound people with physical disabilities and then markets the items they produce.

For information, call Gina Kugler at (612) 541-1020.

BOOKS, PUBLICATIONS

"The Model Act for the Adoption of Children with Special Needs, Accompanied by Section-by-Section Comments and Analysis" is a 54-page document published by the National Committee for Adoption. This publication is intended to help state legislators, adoption advocates and others to study the model act for the adoption of children with special needs. It has been issued by the federal Department of Health and Human Services. It costs \$6 a copy (\$5 for 10 or more) and is available from: The National Committee for Adoption, Inc., Suite 326, 1346 Connecticut Av. NW., Washington, D.C. 20036.

"The Handicapped Funding Directory" has been revised and updated. This third edition lists more than 500 corporations, foundations, government agencies and associations that fund programs and services for handicapped persons. Also included are guidelines on obtaining grants, addresses and directors of state agencies for the handicapped and a bibliography of grant-funding publications. Copies are available at \$18 each from: Research Grant Guides, P.O. Box 357, Oceanside, N.Y. 11572.

SERVICES

Family Enrichment Program Offered

Gillette Children's Hospital has started a program to provide support and information to families of children with disabilities, ongoing medical concerns or behavior problems. This program is open to parents, and other interested family members.

Gillette staff members who specialize in

Gillette Program (Continued)

working with families of children with handicaps will lead participants in classes and small group discussions. Topics include information about specific disabilities, how to communicate with family members as well as with professionals, and how to manage stress and child behavior.

A special support and information program for families with a child who has epilepsy is also available.

For costs and more information, contact Norma Kirchner, Family Services secretary, Gillette Children's Hospital, 200 University Av. E., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 291-2848.

Volunteers Needed

The Association for Retarded Citizens-Dakota County, is seeking volunteers to assist with their fall 1982 recreation programs. Anyone who has a sincere interest in assisting people who are mentally retarded to develop their full potential to enjoy leisure time opportunities, should contact Mike Carlson at (612) 457-2588.

To obtain more information about the fall programs, call Gail Colton at 457-2588.

CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS

Oct. 9-10

The state fall meeting and family camp of the Spina Bifida Association of Minnesota will be held at Camp Courage in Maple Lake. Activities will include a short business meeting and election of state officers. Afterwards there will be activities for all family members and a picnic.

For more information, contact Pam Schleeter, 16610 NE. Madison St., Ham Lake, Minn. 55303. Tel. (612) 434-9162.

Conferences (Continued)

Oct. 20

"Grantmanship for Beginners" offers basics in proposal writing, exploration of funding resources and a sample funding search. This seminar will be held at the Minneapolis Public Library, 300 Nicollet Mall. Registration fee is \$10. For more information or to register, call the Minnesota Council on Foundations at (612) 338-1989.

Oct. 21-24

The National Conference of the Epilepsy Foundation of America (EFA) will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Kansas City, Mo. For information, contact: Chic Dambach, EFA National Conference, 4351 Garden City Dr., Landover, Md. 20785. Tel. (301) 459-3700.

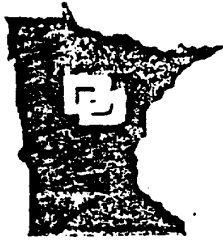
Oct. 28-30

The Minnesota Association for the Severely Handicapped (MNASH) Conference will be held at the Sunwood Inn, St. Cloud. Deadline for registration is Oct. 15. For more information, contact Bob Teeling, Roseville Public Schools, 1910 W. County Rd. B., Roseville, Minn. 55113. Tel. (612) 633-8150, Ext. 317.

FUTURE EVENTS

Nov. 10

"Staff/Volunteer Teams: Maximizing Agency and Community Resources." Conference topics will include the "new mandate" for volunteering and its implications for the delivery of social services, the motivation for volunteering and the role of staff in working with volunteers. The conference will be held at the Earle Brown Center on the St. Paul campus of the University of Minnesota. Cost is \$51. For more information, contact: Shirley Zimmerman at (612) 373-5831.



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STATUS REPORT OF SIX-YEAR PLAN FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE MENTALLY RETARDED RELEASED

The State Department of Public Welfare (DPW) released a draft status report of the six-year plan to help people who are mentally retarded. The report by the mental retardation program of DPW outlines:

- Priority areas for 1983-85 legislation;
- Requirements under Welsch vs. Noot consent decree and subsequent court orders; and
- The state commissioner's obligations to propose measures for implementation of the consent decree to state governor for submission to the Legislature.

"The list of issues is not particularly long, but the items on the list are central to efforts of compliance (with the consent decree) and by that fact, are extremely critical," the report stated.

The issues address:

- Funding of development achievement centers (described in the report as "the most vexing problem");
- Need for expansion of semi-independent living services (SILS), "the only viable cost-effective alternative to the more expensive intermediate care facilities"; and
- Need to expand sheltered work and work activity slots, in order to relieve the burden on developmental achievement centers.

STATUS REPORT (Continued)

For more information or copies of the final report, contact: Ardo Wrobel, Director, Mental Retardation Program Division, Department of Public Welfare, Centennial Office Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55155. Tel. (612) 296-2160.

PRINCIPLE OF NORMALIZATION MISUNDERSTOOD, AUTHOR SAYS

"The principle of normalization has been misunderstood for too long," declares Burt Perrin in an article titled "Misconceptions of Normalization," Mental Retardation, Summer, 1982. "In some cases it has been misinterpreted so perversely as to produce implications and programs directly opposite to what is meant by the principle," he writes.

The principle originated in Scandinavia during the 1960s, with primary credit going to Niels Bank-Mikkelsen. A systematic statement was provided by Bengt Nirje in 1969: "The normalization principle means making available to all mentally retarded people patterns of life and conditions of everyday living, which are as close as possible to the regular circumstances and ways of life of society." Perrin writes, "This principle has major implications regarding the way people with disabilities are viewed and the programs developed for them."

After sharing six common misconceptions about the principle in the article (for example, "Normalization means making people normal,") Perrin concludes that the principle of normalization "...makes no pretense of answering all possible questions, ... yet understanding and implementation of the principle will provide a good start."

Normalization Concepts (Continued)

Copies of this article may be obtained from the State Developmental Disabilities Program Office, 201 Capital Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 296-4018.

EDUCATIONAL TV SERIES PREMIERS WITH SEN. LOWELL WEICKER

The National Association of Developmental Disabilities Councils (NADDC) has initiated a public education program series, starting with a 20-minute videotape of Sen. Lowell Weicker, Conn., chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on the Handicapped. Sen. Weicker discusses the reauthorization of the Developmental Disabilities Act, and the Education for All Handicapped Children Act. He also explains the purposes behind deregulation attempts and addresses how citizens can have an impact on the political process and the budget. He gives powerful arguments, rooted in American tradition, for a continued federal commitment to people with disabilities.

Tapes are available for rental for \$25 from: NADDC, 1234 Massachusetts Av. NW., Suite 203, Washington, D.C. 20005.

NEUROFIBROMATOSIS GROUP SEEKS FEDERAL COMMISSION

A bill to create a national commission on neurofibromatosis has been introduced in both houses of Congress (H.R. 6751 and S. 2901). The commission would:

- Direct limited resources toward their most effective, comprehensive use;
- Promote patient education;
- Heighten professional awareness;
- Address needs for prevention, treatment and research; and
- Stimulate action.

Neurofibromatosis is considered one of the most common serious neurological genetic disorders. One in 3,000 people have this progressive disorder of tumors forming on nerves anywhere in the body at any time. These tumors can cause dysfunction of many organs, deformity of limbs, deafness,

Neurofibromatosis (Continued)

blindness, disfigurement and early death. Learning disabilities, epilepsy, mental retardation and cancer are frequently linked to neurofibromatosis.

For further information, contact: Lynne Pilgrim, president, Neurofibromatosis Association, 1114 Title Insurance Blvd., 400 2nd Av. S., Minneapolis, Minn. 55401. Tel. (612) 934-1968 or 474-1008.

RESPIRE CARE PROGRAM BEGINS IN NORTHWEST MINNESOTA

REM-Roseau, a licensed residential facility serving residents from 3 to 25 years old is offering respite care to northwest Minnesota families in need of short-term placements for a developmentally disabled family member for reasons of relief, vacation or emergency.

For more information, contact: Larry Clausen, program director, REM-Roseau, Inc 208 2nd Av. NE, Roseau, Minn. 56751. Tel. (612) 463-1031.

COMMUNITY INTEGRATION GAME AVAILABLE

A new educational board game designed to teach handicapped persons, advocates, students and professionals about involvement in community life for handicapped individuals is now available. The game teaches how to overcome barriers to participation and how to analyze issues.

For information, including cost, contact: Leisurability Publications, Inc. Box 36, Postal Station A, Islington, Ontario, Can. M9A 4X1.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES REGULATIONS EXPECTED SOON

According to Jean Elder, federal commissioner on developmental disabilities, it is the intention of the administration to have final regulations for the Developmental Disabilities Act by Nov. 30, 1982. This means that publication of proposed regulations (requiring a comment period of 30 days) can be expected at any time.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Institute for Child and Family Studies, at Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Tex., is preparing "Research in Action II," a conference scheduled for Feb. 9-11, 1983. Two-page proposals are being requested by Nov. 1. If accepted, a five-page report will be requested for possible presentation and inclusion in the conference proceedings publication. Focus may be on research or activities relating to young children (both handicapped and non-handicapped) and their families.

For more information, write: Jamie Tucker, Institute for Child and Family Studies, Texas Tech University, P.O. Box 4170, Lubbock, Tex. 79409.

FUTURE EVENTS

"The Disabled: To Kill or Care?" is a seminar to explore ethical and legal issues regarding eugenic abortion, infanticide and euthanasia. It is to be held at the Hennepin County Government Center in Minneapolis on Nov. 6. Contact: Sharon Hardy, Human Life Alliance of Minnesota, 2400 Rhode Island Av. N., Golden Valley, Minn. 55422. Tel. (612) 934-5110.

FACT SHEET ON SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME APPEAL PROCESS AVAILABLE

A fact sheet has been prepared by the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis, entitled "Have Your SSI Benefits Been Reduced or Terminated? Or Your Application Denied?"

The fact sheet informs people of their right to appeal decisions made by the Social Security Administration that affect their eligibility to receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and/or Social Security Disability Income.

Due to an increased number of reviews and stricter interpretations of disability requirements, many persons whose disability status may be affected should be encouraged to appeal.

For more information, contact: Community Legal Education Program, Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis, 2507 Fremont Av. N., Minneapolis, Minn. 55411. Tel. (612) 522-6636.

HUMAN SEXUALITY TRAINING OFFERED

Staff training sessions are being offered by the education and training department of Planned Parenthood of Minnesota. Topics about human sexuality, such as premenstrual syndrome, sexually transmitted diseases, or other topics can be specially designed and scheduled to meet staff needs and interests. On-site training can be provided at an affordable price.

For more information, contact: Planned Parenthood of Minnesota, Education and Training Dept., 1965 Ford Pkwy., St. Paul, Minn. 55116. (612) 698-2401.

PUBLICATIONS

Kaleidoscope: National Literary/Art Magazine for Disabled is published twice yearly as a special project funded by the National Committee on Arts for the Handicapped, an affiliate of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. The periodical provides a means of artistic expression for disabled writers and artists throughout the country. It also informs the general public about the importance and benefits of arts programs for persons who are disabled. Single copies can be purchased for \$2, plus 75¢ postage.

For more information, contact: Carson Heiner, Jr., Editor, Kaleidoscope, 318 Water St., Akron, Ohio 44308.

Planning Your Job Search: Making the Right Moves, Diane K. Aves and Debra Anderson, Sister Kenny Institute-Abbott-Northwestern Hospitals, 1982. This is a practical, straightforward guide for acquiring effective job-seeking skills. It is designed for job applicants who have never worked, or are returning to work after a period of unemployment. The manual, used with an instructor's guide, is recommended for classroom instruction, vocational counselors, placement specialists, social service departments and job-seekers.

Contact: Research and Education Dept, Publications--A/V Office #323, 800 E. 28th St., Minneapolis, Minn. 55407. Tel. (612) 874-4175.

YEARNING FOR LEARNING

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Bibliography and Materials Lists, The Association for the Severely Handicapped (TASH), 1981. This is a comprehensive listing of general resources, materials produced by TASH and publications of interest to parents of severely handicapped children. The lists are categorized under various headings: for example, community-based services, curricula, early childhood, journals, self-help skills and vocational training.

Locating, Recruiting and Hiring the Disabled, Rami Rabby, Pilot Books, 1981. Personnel administrators have learned that two specific activities contribute most to the success of any affirmative action program:

- Awareness of training for management and employees; and
- Effective outreach into the community for recruitment of qualified candidates.

This book examines the reasons for the current shortage in the supply of qualified disabled candidates and offers innovative approaches to affirmative action. Over 500 sources of information, including referral agencies and media lists, are provided.

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METRO DD PROGRAM NOTES

DD Program Requests Curriculum Materials

The Metropolitan Developmental Disabilities program maintains a DD curriculum library. The materials can be used by Metropolitan Area staff people with responsibility for providing or developing programs for developmentally disabled persons. There are also books on measuring performance in human services and on management by objective.

The library also includes a folder of promotional literature about new curriculum publications for users to review. You must check out library materials in person between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. The DD program does not mail this material.

Readers may have used a curriculum publication helpful for residential, day or vocational training programs, or one which may be recommended for parents or foster care providers in managing their problems as care-givers. We invite those readers to notify our office so that we may consider purchasing it for the library.

Send a written description of the publication or material that includes the title, publisher and address, price and brief summary of contents, and the reason you feel it would be useful to other readers. Please include your name, address and telephone number. Mail this information to Toni Lippert, DD Program, 300 Metro Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101.

Policy Analysis Series No. 11 Ready

A new policy paper, No. 11 in the Policy Analysis Series: An Analysis of Minnesota Property Values of Community Intermediate Care Facilities for Mentally Retarded (ICFs-MR) is now available. The paper was prepared by Dr. Colleen Wieck of the Minnesota Developmental Disabilities Program. It may be obtained at no charge from the Metro Developmental Disabilities Office, 300 Metro Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 291-6363.

BOOKS, PUBLICATIONS

--The 1982 edition of The Green Pages REHAB SOURCEBOOK is a comprehensive source directory of products and services available to people who work with physically disabled persons in work, school, social or rehabilitation environments. An alphabetical list of products and services is included in the book plus an index of products and services for general areas of use. The directory costs \$25 plus \$2 for postage and handling. It is available from: Green Pages Rehab Sourcebook, P.O. Box 1586, Winter Park, Fla. 32790.

--The publication Street Wheeling offers instruction and suggestions for persons who use electric wheelchairs. The safe wheeling techniques discussed in the manual will help in all aspects of outdoor wheeling and will provide individuals with greater mobility and independence.

The cost is \$4.25, which includes shipping and handling. Mail orders to: Metro Center for Independent Living, 1728 University Av., St. Paul, Minn. 55104.

Books, Publications (Continued)

--The second edition of the Educational Resource Catalog has been published by the National Technical Institute for the Deaf at Rochester Institute of Technology.

The catalog provides professionals serving deaf, hearing-impaired or handicapped people with a resource for locating information and research data related to deafness. It also offers videotapes on career preparation in the technical business fields, engineering, science, photography, art and printing, communication development techniques, and materials in speech and hearing.

Information on cost is available from the Rochester Institute of Technology, National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Public Information Office, Room 12220, P.O. Box 9887, Rochester, N.Y. 14623.

--A new publications and materials catalog is available at no charge from the Ohio State University Nisonger Center. Included are materials developed for professionals, paraprofessionals, advocates and parents interested in mental retardation and developmental disabilities. Many of the publications are appropriate for staff training and development. To request a catalog, contact: Publications, The Ohio State University Nisonger Center, Room 434 McCampbell Hall, 1580 Cannon Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43210.

--An Update on the Medicaid Home and Community Care Waiver Authority is the latest report on community care waivers permitted under Title XIX, as amended in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981. The update provides: information on the status of 36 waiver requests submitted as of June 15, 1982; a detailed analysis of contents of five approved state waiver programs; a report on a state-by-state survey of other state plans; specific procedures used by the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) in reviewing state waiver requests; and a discussion of key issues arising out of waiver use and how the HCFA is addressing the issues.

Books, Publications (Continued)

Order the report from the National Association of State Mental Retardation Program Directors, Inc., 113 Oronoco St., Alexandria, Va. 22314. The cost is \$10. All orders under \$20 must be prepaid.

--Ten bulletins have been developed and tested by the Cooperative Extension Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. They are:

- An Extension Worker's Guide to Serving the Handicapped;
- Cooperative Extension Projects for the Handicapped: An Administrative and Organizational Manual;
- An Overview of Handicapping Conditions;
- Involving the Handicapped in 4H;
- Eliminating Architectural Barriers in the Community;
- Organizing Parents of the Handicapped;
- A Look at Some Myths Regarding Handicapped Individuals;
- Laws and the Handicapped;
- 4H for the Handicapped in Institutions; and
- 4H for the Handicapped Activities Handbook.

The bulletins were developed to help extension service personnel and others to develop a better understanding of handicapped people and their special needs. They are intended to provide assistance in locating service organizations on behalf of handicapped persons and to develop 4H programs that will accommodate people with various handicapping conditions. Bulletins are available at no cost from: Vonda Douglass, Exceptional Child Center, Utah State University, Logan, Utah, 84322. Tel. (801) 750-1981.

SERVICES

Accessible Housing Referrals Available

The Metropolitan Center for Independent Living has a list of apartment complexes in the Seven-County Metropolitan Area that are wheelchair-accessible. They can also assist you if you wish to buy or sell a wheelchair-accessible house.

To obtain a list, or for more information, call (612) 646-8342 or (612) 646-6048 (TTY).

Computers for Handicapped People

People interested in personal computer systems for persons with disabilities can join an organization whose purpose is to search out, evaluate and share information about these systems. The Committee on Personal Computers and the Handicapped (COPH-2) includes disabled and non-disabled people.

Additional information is available from COPH-2, 2030 Irving Park Rd., Chicago, Ill. 60618.

MISCELLANEOUS

New Mainstreaming Program

-The American Federation of Teachers, (AFT) has established a program to develop and disseminate resources designed to assist regular classroom teachers in meeting the needs of handicapped students who are mainstreamed. The program, "AFT Teachers' Network for Education of the Handicapped," receives funding from Special Education Programs of the U.S. Department of Education. It provides in-service training to regular teachers and has published a series of pamphlets that give practical information to teachers who work with handicapped children. The following pamphlets are available:

Mainstreaming Program (Continued)

- The Hearing-Impaired Child in the Regular Class (#442);
- The Child with Cerebral Palsy in the Regular Class (#444);
- The Slow Learner and Retarded Child in the Regular Class (#446);
- The Visually Handicapped Child in the Regular Class (#448);
- Dyslexia and Severe Reading Disability (#440); and
- What are Learning Disabilities? (#438).

Each pamphlet includes an overview of the disability, instructional techniques to use in the classroom and a list of reference materials and organizations to contact for more information. There is a charge of \$.35 for single copies and \$30 for 100 copies.

To order the pamphlets or to have your name placed on the mailing list to receive a monthly newsletter, write to Carolyn Trice, director, AFT Teachers' Network for Education of the Handicapped, 11 NW., Dupont Circle, Washington, D.C. 20036.

New Address for Special Olympics

Minnesota Special Olympics has moved to a new office, courtesy of Kraus-Anderson, Inc. The new address is 10581 Johnson Av. S., Bloomington, Minn. 55437. The telephone number remains the same - (612) 888-0883.

Group Home for Mentally Retarded Children to Open

DeMar Children's Home in Coon Rapids is currently under construction and is projected to be completed in January 1983. The home will be a Class B intermediate care facility for 20 mentally retarded children. Class B is a Department of Health designation of a facility that houses residents who cannot exit independently in an emergency.

If interested in potential admission or employment at the home, contact: DeMar Children's Home, 11777 Xeon Blvd., Coon Rapids, Minn. 55433.

Miscellaneous (Continued)

Information Requested

A candidate for a masters degree in special education at the University of Minnesota is seeking physically impaired students, age 18-20 years, to participate in a self-concept survey.

Interested persons should contact Pam Bloedoorn at (612) 645-8272 after 5. p.m.

Gift Drive Needs Volunteers

The Association of Retarded Citizens of St. Paul is asking for volunteers to wrap Christmas gifts or deliver them to mentally retarded children and adults residing in Ramsey County. Persons willing to donate a few hours are needed to wrap gifts at the Edgewood Community Center in Moundsview. Others are needed to assist with pick-up and delivery of gifts. Mileage expenses are reimbursed.

For more information on volunteering or contributing gifts, call Pat Schenk at 224-3301 (days) or 646-8673 (evenings).

CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS

Nov. 5, 6, 7

The tenth annual Down's Syndrome Congress Convention will be held at the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago. For information, contact Down's Syndrome Congress, 1640 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago, Ill. 60608. Tel. (312) 226-0416.

Nov. 15

"No Easy Answers" is a conference for persons working with both handicapped and nonhandicapped adolescents. It is sponsored by the Minnesota Program for Victims of Sexual Assault and is planned in cooperation with the Illusion Theatre in Minneapolis. The program schedule includes workshops on adolescent rape victims, sex offenders and incest victims. The conference will be held at the Holiday Inn, 1313 Nicollet Av., Minneapolis. The cost is \$18.

Conferences, Workshops (Continued)

For more information, contact Minnesota Program for Victims of Sexual Assault, 430 Metro Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 296-7084.

Nov. 19

"Ability/Disability Seminar," sponsored by the Sister Kenny Institute, will provide information about hiring and employment of disabled workers. Certificates of attendance for five contact hours will be awarded upon completion of the program. For more information, contact Helen Paul, seminar coordinator at (612) 874-4603.

Nov. 20

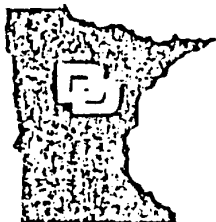
The annual meeting of the Minnesota Epilepsy League (MEL) will be held at the Lutheran Brotherhood Building, 625 4th Av. S. in Minneapolis, starting at 8:30 a.m. If motel accommodations are needed over the weekend, the Airport #2 Holiday Inn in Bloomington has reduced its rates for MEL members for that weekend. The daily charge of single, double or four-person rooms is \$29.87 plus tax.

Registration costs \$7.50 for members and \$8 for nonmembers. For more information, contact Tanley O'Hara, Minnesota Epilepsy League Inc., Room 242, Minneapolis, Minn. 55404.

Dec. 1, 2

"Sexuality and the Mentally Handicapped" is a workshop sponsored by Planned Parenthood of Minnesota. It will be held at 1965 Ford Pkwy., St. Paul, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days.

For more information, call (612) 698-2401.



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FOUR AGENCIES RECEIVE MINNESOTA "LEADING EDGE" AWARD

In a first attempt to recognize outstanding or innovative services, the Minnesota Association for the Severely Handicapped (MNASH) and the state Developmental Disabilities Program Office jointly selected and awarded four "Leading Edge" agencies. Awards were announced and presented at the MNASH annual conference held recently in St. Cloud.

Out of 35 nominations received, four agencies were selected:

- Ability Building Center, Inc., Rochester, which successfully established work-training stations within local businesses, referred to as "Community Sheltered Employment" programs;
- Dakota's Children Inc., West St. Paul, which developed the "Pyramid Skills Assessment" instrument;
- Nekton, Inc., St. Paul, which has expanded services to provide "In-home Services" to parents who are developmentally disabled and their children; and
- Therapeutic Child Development Program of the St. Paul Rehabilitation Center, which created an approach for conducting comprehensive evaluations within a preschool classroom.

Announcing the awards, Dr. Colleen Wieck, executive director of the DD program office said, "I hope our Leading Edge award will encourage creative problem-solving and give recognition to those who have been innovative in serving people with severe handicaps."

PROVISIONAL 1980 CENSUS DATA ON DISABILITIES AVAILABLE

The Census Bureau has released 1980 Census data on work disability and transportation limitations. The disability questions were part of a form sent to 20 percent of the population. A computer tape was recently received by the state demographer's office that provided a sample of eight percent of all sample questionnaires. Readers are cautioned that the estimates are provisional and may differ from those based on the full sample.

Minnesota Census estimates for noninstitutionalized persons aged 16 to 64 with a work disability was 180,577. Of these, an estimated 49 percent (88,772) were not in the labor force and of these, in turn, 75 percent (66,734) were prevented from working because of their disability. The total estimate of nondisabled ~~voters~~ ^{workers} in the labor force was 2,383,264.

The estimate for persons with health conditions that make it difficult or impossible to use public transportation are as follows: 25,423 for noninstitutionalized persons aged 16 to 64; and 44,163 for noninstitutionalized persons age 65 and over.

The report, Provisional Estimates of Social, Economic and Housing Characteristics, may be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. The price is \$5.50; the stock number is 003-024-03626-6.

OVERDUE BOOKS

Books may be borrowed for three weeks from the state developmental disabilities library. Borrowers are urged to return the books promptly because many people are waiting for them.

STATE DD COUNCIL SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

The Governor's office is accepting applications to fill anticipated vacancies on the Governor's Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities. Three-year appointments will begin Jan. 1, 1983.

People who have a developmental disability are encouraged to apply. Other eligible applicants include parents or guardians (especially a parent whose child resides in a state hospital), service providers and people who have a special interest in developmental disabilities.

Ask for a form, "Application for Service in State Agency," from the Governor's office, Room 130, Capitol Building, St. Paul, Minn. 55155. Tel (612) 296-3391.

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION AVAILABLE IN MENTAL RETARDATION

Voluntary certification based on education, training and experience in the field of mental retardation is made possible through the American Qualified Mental Retardation Professionals Association (AQMRPA). People can qualify for certification based on two-year degrees plus training and experience. Fees are \$52 for the first year and \$35 each year thereafter. Annual renewal requires evidence of completion of at least 30 hours of training or in-service. More information can be obtained from Jerry Walsh, Box 393, Victoria, Minn. 55386. Tel. (612) 474-5974.

AUGSBURG COLLEGE OFFERS ACCESSIBILITY TO STUDENTS WITH HANDICAPS

"Having an accessible campus is a special way that Augsburg College in Minneapolis serves responsibly within the community," said John Hjelmeland, director of admissions. He added, "Accessibility means more than the removal of physical barriers. It also includes the adaptation of programs and improving attitudes."

Augsburg College (Continued)

Augsburg is a private, four-year, liberal arts college that has been working toward its accessibility goals since the mid-1970s. Through a student-run service called Cooperative Services for Handicapped Students, volunteers assist disabled students in achieving their academic and personal goals.

For more information, contact: John Hjelmeland, Office of Admissions, Augsburg College, 731 21st Av. S., Minneapolis, Minn. 55454. Tel. (612) 330-1001.

LEAGUE OF DISABLED VOTERS SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

"The Minnesota League of Disabled Voters (MLDV) needs more members to keep it moving toward its goals of becoming a viable, educated and integrated political force," said Mary Ann Elefson, president of the league. The mission of MLDV is to develop a nonpartisan educational group to increase the participation of disabled persons in the political process. For information on becoming a league member, call or write: MLDV, 1821 University Av., Suite 163N, St. Paul, Minn. 55104. Tel. (612) 874-4577.

PARENTS SHOULD CLARIFY PROBLEMS BEFORE CRITICIZING SCHOOL

In the August issue of The Exceptional Parent, Charles Heneley, professor at Michigan State University in Lansing, and Harold Spicknall of the Ingham School District, present a step-by-step guide to dealing with educational bureaucracy. The article, "Solving School-Related Problems," is intended for parents of children with disabilities, but it contains suggestions of value to any parent.

The authors emphasize a parent's first priority must be to "verify and clarify the situation. The goal is to understand the problem better, not to attack the school." Although the authors urge parents to settle matters informally whenever they can, they note that parents have the legal right to question any

Schools (Continued)

decision made about their child. Parents also need to learn about the structure of the school system and to know their legal rights. The article contains suggestions for informal problem resolution and procedures to be followed for more formal action.

Copies of the article may be obtained from: The Exceptional Parent, 296 Boylston Street, 3rd floor, Boston, Mass. 02116.

PUBLICATIONS

--Programming for Emotionally Disturbed Students in Rural Public Schools: Conference Proceedings, Upper Midwest Regional Center, University of Minnesota, 1982. This publication contains highlights from a conference held in Minneapolis on Nov. 4, 1981. "Rural schools face unique problems when planning for improved educational opportunities for students with serious behavioral or emotional disorders," the report states. Several major issues are explored: formal eligibility and labeling, funding, transportation, public versus private, and day school versus residential planning. The document describes several service options: self-contained special classes, resource rooms, consultant teachers, management assistants and regular mainstream teachers. These alternative options provide a useful framework for adaptation to rural and small town schools. Training resources for the paraprofessional are also included. To obtain copies of the report, costing \$1.50, contact: Upper Midwest Regional Resource Center, 1st floor, 2037 University Av. SE., Minneapolis, Minn. 55414.

Publications (Continued)

--The University of Kansas has published two self-advocacy guides:

-How to Work with the System...and WIN!; and
-Evaluation: Every Person's Right.

Both books are written especially for people with substantial disabilities. The books have understandable language, large type and illustrations. Price: \$2 each. Mail to Kansas University Affiliated Facility, 348 Haworth, Lawrence, Kan. 66045.

EVENTS

Nov. 4, 5

"What's the Point of Evaluation?" will be the theme of the fall conference of the Minnesota Association for Continuing Adult Education (MACAE). This organization represents a broad spectrum of adult educators seeking new avenues for professional improvement. The conference will be held at the Earle Brown Continuing Education Center, St. Paul. Contact MACAE, Metropolitan State University, c/o Joan Byrne, 121 Metro Square Bldg., 7th and Robert Sts., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 296-7148.

Nov. 15-19

The Wisconsin Coalition for advocacy is sponsoring an intensive workshop on assessing service quality from a normalization perspective using a program analysis of service systems (PASS) technique. John O'Brien of Responsive Systems Associates, Atlanta, Ga. will conduct the workshop at the Holiday Inn in Waukesha, Wisconsin. Tuition is \$210. Contact: Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy, 2 W. Mifflin St., Room 200, Madison Wis. 53703. Tel. (608) 249-5747.

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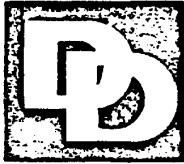
Advocacy in Residential Programs,
C. D. Rude and P. A. Aiken, (Eds.),
Texas Tech. University, 1982. This
book presents information that applies
specifically to residential programs
for persons with developmental
disabilities. It is intended primarily
to be used for training of advocates.
It provides knowledge about different
types, aims and procedures of
residential programs and about relevant
rights and standards. Also addressed
are the various skills needed by an
advocate. Chapters are independent and
may be used selectively.

Developing Individualized Education
Programs for Severely Handicapped
Children and Youth, N.G. Harring (Ed.)
Bureau of Education for the
Handicapped. This is a product of a
topical conference held in Washington,
D.C., Aug. 9-11, 1977. The conference
was held in response to the mandates
set forth in the Education for All
Handicapped Children Act of 1975 (P.L.
94-142). A number of experts share
their optimistic views toward improved
educational opportunities for children
with severe handicaps. Topics covered
are assessment, evaluation, management
and interdisciplinary procedures. Most
important, however, are detailed
considerations for developing
comprehensive individualized education
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METRO DD PROGRAM NOTES

Organization and Management Training Offered

The State Developmental Disabilities (DD) Program Office will offer eight training sessions on organization and management in early 1983. The state DD office has used McKnight Foundation funds to contract with the Government Training Service to provide the workshops in several regions of Minnesota. Topics are as follows:

- Governance, or overall administration,
- Organizational mission,
- Personnel management,
- Financial management and record-keeping,
- Legal obligations and reporting requirements,
- Organizational planning,
- Community involvement and
- Consumer access to programs.

The Metropolitan Developmental Disabilities program will assist in the training series presented in the Metropolitan Area.

The training sessions are designed for administrative staff and board members of residential facilities, development achievement centers, and sheltered workshops serving persons who are developmentally disabled.

Kay Zwernik, training director, said that staff of agencies enrolling in all eight sessions will receive: an assessment manual for the agency board and staff to use in evaluating strengths and weaknesses of their agency, priority for workshop attendance, reduced rates and on-site consultation for specific needs of an individual agency. Agencies may enroll for selected workshops but they will be accepted on a space-available basis. They will receive only workshop materials, not

Training (Continued)

the assessment manual or follow-up consultation. Attendance will be limited to 30 participants.

A DAC director who attended a session on personnel management said it addressed many of her agency's needs. She found the consultant competent, the cost reasonable and she recommended the session as worth the time and effort. A residential facility director commented that his organization gained considerably from participation. The workshop impressed him and helped him realize the agency's middle management needed more information and guidelines to do an adequate job.

The following organizations participated in the training development: The Minnesota Developmental Achievement Center Association, the Minnesota Association of Rehabilitation Facilities, the Association of Residences for the Retarded in Minnesota, state Department of Public Welfare and the Association for Retarded Citizens. For further information, contact: Kay Zwernik, training specialist, Developmental Disabilities Training Project, 202 Minnesota Bldg., 46 E. 4th St., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 222-7409.

Study Says Group Homes Don't Reduce Property Values

Developers of intermediate care facilities for mentally retarded persons are encouraged to obtain a copy of An Analysis of Minnesota Property Values of Community Intermediate Care Facilities for Mentally Retarded (ICFs-MR). The study examines the impact of community residential

Group Homes (Continued)

facilities for mentally retarded people on neighborhood property values. It selects a statewide sample of thirty-four neighborhoods with group homes. The study compares the average property value of these neighborhoods with property values in similar neighborhoods without group homes. The study found no adverse impact. Although several studies throughout the country have reached the same conclusion, the policy paper is the first examination of the situation in Minnesota. The study should prove helpful to developers of group homes, who may encounter questions about the effect of group homes on property values.

Metro DD research analyst Tom Chapel assisted in the analysis and final editing of the data. Copies are free and may be obtained from the Metro Region Developmental Disabilities Program, 300 Metro Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 291-6363.

Additions to Resource Library

A list of recent additions to the DD Resource Library is attached to this newsletter. This material may be used only in the Metropolitan Council library.

The State of Minnesota requires that recipients of our publications be requested to notify us if they no longer wish to receive our publications. Tel. (612) 291-6363.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

DD Information Exchange encourages readers to send employment opportunity information for publication in this newsletter. We are not able to include "employment wanted" items, however.

Employment Opportunities (Continued)

Educational Researcher

Associate program director for research, University of Minnesota Consortium Institute for Education of Severely Handicapped Learners needed for a full-time 12-month position beginning Jan. 1, 1983.

Responsibilities include: coordination of all research and evaluation activities of the institute focused on transition to least restrictive environments; consultation research design and analysis; collaboration on specific studies; supervision and training of project staff, including behavioral observers; and maintenance of subject data files. Minimum qualifications: Ph.D. in education or social sciences with demonstrated analysis and observational research methodology skills; experience in evaluation research; ability to work with public school and agency personnel; and successful publications record in referred journals. Position federally funded to September 1987, up to \$28,000 to start with annual increases. To apply, send letter of application, vita and three letters of reference to: Luanna Voeltz, Department of Educational Psychology, 259 Burton Hall, 178 SE. Pillsbury Dr., University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn. 55455. Deadline for application is Dec. 10, 1982.

Part-time Program Coordinator

Minnesota Foundation for Better Hearing and Speech seeks a half-time program coordinator. Responsibilities include developing, implementing and evaluating programs and services for parent and educator networks. Minimum qualifications: BA degree in education of the deaf, counseling the deaf or comparable area.

For more information, or to obtain an application, call (612) 222-6866 (Voice/TTY). Deadline for application is Jan. 3, 1983.

Employment Opportunities (Continued)

Executive Director

The Minnesota Foundation for Better Hearing and Speech seeks an executive director. Responsibilities include organization and implementation of all policies and programs, fund raising, supervision of a six-person staff and administration of a \$190,000 budget. BA degree in health, rehabilitation human services or comparable area required. Master's degree in public administration or related area, or five years of successful administrative experience.

Resumes should be sent to Minnesota Foundation for Better Hearing and Speech, 508 Bremer Bldg., 7th and Robert Sts., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 222-6866 (Voice or TTY). Application deadline is Jan. 3, 1983.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

In the November issue of DD Information Exchange, we said that 10 bulletins on 4H programs were available "free of charge" from Utah State University. This information came from a Department of Education publication. However, we now find that there is a \$3 charge for the bulletins. The set of bulletins may be borrowed from the developmental disabilities curriculum library.

--"The Deaf Services Placement Guide" is a catalog of licensed development achievement centers and residential facilities in the Seven-County Metropolitan Area. It should be useful in locating services for hearing-impaired people. Contact David Lubinski with comments, questions or information about new or unlisted facilities. The catalog was produced by the Department of Public Welfare, and is available free of charge from: Deaf Services, Dept. of Public Welfare, 4th floor, Centennial Office Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55155. Tel. (612) 297-3647 (TDD) or (612) 296-3980 (Voice).

Publications (Continued)

-- The Fourth Annual Report to Congress of the Implementation of Public Law 94-142: The Education of all Handicapped Children Act reports on the number of handicapped children in public schools throughout the country. Copies of the publication are available from: ERIC Documentation Reproduction Service, P.O. Box 190, Arlington, Va. 22210. Price, including postage, is \$13.60.

-- The Resource Directory for Funding and Managing Nonprofit Organizations lists organizations and publications that can help raise funds for non profit charitable enterprises. Single copies are free from: Ann Heywood, The Edna McConnell Clark Foundation, 250 Park Av., New York, NY 10017.

-- The Disabled Child and Child Abuse, Donald F. Kline, Ph.D., professor and head of the department of special education, Utah State University. Since there is evidence that the handicaps of disabled children may increase their susceptibility to child abuse, the National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse (NCPA) has produced an information packet that includes guidance for parents in locating sources of information and assistance in raising a handicapped child. The information packet is free and may be obtained from: National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse, 332 S. Michigan Av., Suite 1250, Chicago, Ill. 60604-4357.

SERVICES

Interpreters available

Professional oral interpreters are available for hearing-impaired persons who rely on lip-reading rather than sign language as their primary means of communication. The interpreters are trained in receptive and expressive oral communication and are certified by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf.

Interpreters (Continued)

For more information, contact: Patricia Wilder, Director, Interpreter Referral Center, Minnesota Foundation for Better Hearing and Speech, 216 Bremer Bldg., Suite 518, 7th and Robert Sts., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 222-6866.

Consulting Team Offers Assistance

A consulting team developed by the Voluntary Action Center of St. Paul is available to assist directors of volunteer services in managing volunteer programs. The team offers assistance in planning programs, developing job descriptions, keeping records and maintaining volunteer and staff relationships. The area served includes Ramsey, western Washington and northern Dakota counties.

For more details about the service, or information about costs, contact: Roxanne Hart at (612) 227-3938.

Membership invited

The National Association of Developmental Disabilities Councils (NADDC) invites disabled people, their parents, interested individuals and organizations to become members of NADDC. Benefits of membership include: information and referral services; education and coordinative services; studies on developmental disabilities; information on job opportunities; and participation at national conferences. Members will also receive the quarterly newsletter FORUM and discount auto rental club membership.

For further details, contact: Susan Ames-Zierman, executive director, NADDC, 1234 Massachusetts Av. NW., Washington, DC. 20005.

DSO Receives Respite Care Grant

The Developmental Services Organization, Inc. (DSO) is the recipient of a third-year respite care grant from the state developmental disabilities program. The \$27,000 grant will enable DSO to continue developing a respite care service system for the Seven-County Metropolitan Area.

DSO (Continued)

The system includes an information and referral service for both respite (short-term) care and residential (long-term) care. Respite care services are provided both in and out of the home and arrangements for the handicapped person may be made for a specific period of time or on an intermittent basis. Residential care is provided in small group homes or other residential facilities. DSO provides comprehensive respite and residential placement information that formerly was unavailable from a single source.

For more information, call DSO at (612) 646-1970.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help handicapped and elderly people and people with low incomes to prepare their income tax returns. Volunteers attend a training course in December or January, then work two to four hours a week from Feb. 1 to April 15.

For more information, contact: Barb Gustafson, Volunteer Services Coordinator, State of Minnesota Department of Revenue, Centennial Office Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55155. Tel. (612) 297-3923.

Other State Programs

State schools in Mississippi and Texas have recently established residential and rehabilitation programs for mentally retarded juvenile offenders. Both programs feature graduated levels or a continuum of services depending on the intensity of the aggressive or disruptive behaviors exhibited by the participants. If you would like more information on these programs, write to: Jim A. Stovall, Coordinator of Main Street, Ellisville State School, Ellisville, Miss. 39437 and Joe P. Mirisciotti, Director of Community Services, Fort Worth State School, 2910 S.E. Loop 82, Fort Worth, Tex. 76140.

Additions to DD Resource Library
December 1982
(Hours: 8:30 - 5 p.m. For use in library only)

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A listing of community services for handicapped children and adults, issues of special interest to human service planners and methods of removing barriers to physically disabled individuals.

DEINSTITUTIONALIZATION

Group Homes for the Mentally Retarded: An Investigation of Neighborhood Property Impacts. Dr. Julian Wolpert, Princeton University, 1978.

A study made in 1978 for the New York State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities on the impact of group homes in the community.

When I Got the Potatoes, I Ate Them All . Anne Fraser Scott, 1982.

An article on group homes for mentally retarded people in the Metro Area, and neighborhood reactions.

MISCELLANEOUS

A Writer's Response to Developmental Disabilities. Developmental Disabilities Planning Office, Jan. 1980

A reference book for people who write about people with developmental disabilities. It includes acronyms often used with reference to developmental disabilities, a glossary and chapter dealing with resources and agencies.

Medicaid Funding for the Continuum of Care for MR/DD Persons. Wm. C. Copeland, Iver A. Iversen, University of Minnesota, 1980.

A policy memo on the history and reasons for funding continuum of care for mentally retarded persons and fiscal consequences.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

Rural DD Services. Gary Richman, Ronald Neufeld, Ann Ramsbotham, DD/TAS, University of North Carolina.

A report of a study done in West Virginia designed to determine how many developmentally disabled people living in rural areas need services, and whether or not these services need to be re-evaluated.

RESPITE CARE

Financing Respite Care Services: An Initial Exploration, United Cerebral Palsy Assoc. Feb. 1980.

A paper developed for the Developmental Disabilities Funded Project of National Significance, demonstrating model continua of respite care and parent training services for families of persons with developmental disabilities.

SERVICE DIRECTORY

The Resource Directory, Ann M. Heywood, June 1982.

A reference book for nonprofit organizations that lists publications and organizations that will help them raise funds and manage their programs. It is not a how-to guide; it describes where to get the information and skills to successfully run a project or nonprofit organization.

VOCATIONAL

Minnesota State Plan for Vocational-Technical Education, State of Minnesota, Department of Education, St. Paul, 1982.

A two-component document addressing two major, unique, but related operations regarding the development of vocational-technical education in Minnesota. The plan is comprised of an Annual Program Plan and an Accountability Report.

Employment Service Concepts, United Cerebral Palsy Association, New York, 1982.

A selection of program concepts being offered to UCP affiliates and interested rehabilitation personnel as a catalyst and resource to promote activities in employment training and placement of persons with cerebral palsy and related disabilities.



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NORTHWEST AREA FOUNDATION REQUESTS PROPOSALS

In response to the growing number of working mothers entering the labor market who have pre-school age children, the Northwest Area Foundation recently announced that it will consider proposals from clusters of day-care providers for personnel training in child development and early childhood education. Up to \$300,000 will be made available to eligible applicants from Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon. The deadline for receipt of proposals is Jan. 2, 1983.

For more information, contact: Judith K. Healey, senior program associate, Northwest Area Foundation, W-975 First National Bank Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 224-9635.

STATE DD COUNCIL SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

The Governor's office is accepting applications to fill anticipated vacancies on the Governor's Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities. Three-year appointments will begin Jan. 1, 1983.

People who have a developmental disability are encouraged to apply. Other eligible applicants include parents or guardians (especially a parent whose child resides in a state hospital), service providers and people who have a special interest in developmental disabilities.

Ask for the form, "Application for Service in A State Agency," from the Governor's office, Room 130, Capitol Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55155. Tel. (612) 296-3391.

CONTINUUM OF CARE UNATTAINABLE IN THE 1980S?

"The instability of most federal human services programs combined with a policy vacuum has created an environment which seriously questions whether a continuum of care is likely in the decade of the 1980s." This was the concluding remark made by E. Clarke Ross, director of the United Cerebral Palsy Associations, Inc., in a paper entitled "Changing Policies and Program Trends in Publicly Financed Services to the Developmentally Disabled." Ross presented his analysis at the annual meeting of the American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine held in San Diego in October.

This report provided a crash history course concerning federal involvement in setting policy for and providing services to people with developmental disabilities. It also detailed events and strategies of New Federalism and its effects. This is "must reading" for all concerned. Copies may be obtained from: Developmental Disabilities Program Office, 201 Capitol Square Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101. Tel. (612) 296-4018.

INDEPENDENT LIVING ASSOCIATION FORMED

A new organization is being formed that will be called Minnesota Association of Independent Living (MAIL). This statewide group of individuals and agencies will focus attention on improving living opportunities for people with disabilities. For information about membership, contact: Walt Seibert, Metro Center for Independent Living (MCIL), 1728 University Av., St. Paul, Minn. 55104. Tel. (612) 646-8342.

AUTHOR OUTLINES 20 WAYS TO PREVENT DISABILITIES

Allen G. Crocker, M.D., director of the developmental evaluation clinic at Children's Hospital Medical Center in Boston, Mass., recently listed the 20 most prominent and effective methods for reducing the incidence or severity of developmental disabilities. Since the 1960s, the idea of prevention has grown from a hopeful notion to an exciting reality. Increased knowledge through biomedical and social research has been accompanied by a corresponding growth of awareness that prevention and early intervention benefits the individual, the family and society.

Primary prevention activities designed to eliminate the occurrence of a condition causing handicaps include: rubella immunization, improved prenatal care, special care for the premature infant, genetic counseling and advice regarding alcohol intake during pregnancy.

Secondary prevention activities include early identification and intervention techniques such as screening for phenylketonuria, galactosemia and congenital hypothyroidism.

Tertiary prevention activities are specialized support services to children and families with the intent of minimizing long-term disabilities and prevent complications, such as deafness and Down's syndrome. "The ultimate potential for success in prevention efforts will depend on continued research and education of physicians and other professionals," concluded Dr. Crocker.

Reprints of Dr. Crocker's article, "Current Strategies in Prevention of Mental Retardation" (Pediatric Annals, 11 (5): 450-457, 1982), may be obtained from the Developmental Disabilities Program Office. Tel. (612) 296-4018.

ART WORKS SOUGHT

Sister Kenny Institute's 20th Annual International Art Show by Disabled Artists will open in Minneapolis on April 21, 1983. The deadline for entries is Feb. 1. This is an opportunity for disabled artists to display and sell their works in a variety of art media. For further information, write: Mary Ann Ellefson, Community Relations and Advocacy Dept., 800 E. 28th St. at Chicago Av., Minneapolis, Minn. 55407.

GUNFLINT TRAIL RESORT OFFERS BARRIER-FREE ACCOMODATIONS

The Golden Eagle Lodge on Flour Lake recently announced the completion of two barrier-free cabins designed according to guidelines from the State Council for the Handicapped. The owners, John and Irene Baumann, said they understand that they are the only resort in Minnesota to have barrier-free housekeeping cabins. For more information, contact: Golden Eagle Lodge, GT. Box 27, Grand Marais, Minn. 55604. Tel. (218) 388-2203.

GIVE THE JOYS OF READING TO THOSE WHO CAN HEAR

"Most people are unaware of our existence," said Joanne Jonson, director of the communication center, State Services for the Blind. Any Minnesota resident who has difficulty reading normal newsprint or turning pages because of physical disabilities may be eligible to receive special library services.

Audio equipment and materials are loaned without charge to help people to "read" (or listen to) the latest newspapers, books and magazines through methods including Radio Talking Book, special cassette players, phonographs, and remote control units.

"We're eager to help those who miss reading," Jonson continued. "We need your help in locating eligible people." For more information, call: (612) 296-7560 or, toll-free, 1 (800) 652-9000.

SLIDE-TAPE PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

INDEPENDENT LIVING

The Wisconsin Council on Developmental Disabilities has produced a slide-tape program about how people with disabilities can live independently. Entitled At Home in the Community, the production promotes a better way of life for people with disabilities. It illustrates how increased independence can affect self-confidence and personal growth. Copies are available for preview prior to purchase (price, \$100, plus shipping charges). Contact: Wisconsin Council on Developmental Disabilities, P.O. Box 7851, Madison, Wis. 53707. Tel. (608) 266-0979.

PUBLICATIONS

Service Recommendations and Needs Assessment of the Deaf-Blind Population of Minnesota, Department of Public Welfare, July 1982. This report estimates that between 213 and 640 people in Minnesota have both hearing and vision impairments, commonly called "deaf-blind." While only about 12 percent may be profoundly deaf and totally blind, the remaining 88 percent have some usable vision, hearing or both.

The report points out that, "Historically, the human service system was not structured to serve persons with dual disabilities." Programs designed to serve blind persons are not usually accessible to the deaf person who is blinded and vice versa. Therefore, the report recommends the Department of Public Welfare designate one of its existing divisions to be primarily responsible for assuring a continuum of adequate services to deaf-blind adults.

The study makes the following recommendations:

- Initiate comprehensive coordination of human services for deaf-blind persons;
- Initiate an assistance program available to private vendors (space

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- should be reserved in Metropolitan Area residential facilities and developmental achievement centers);
- Develop an adequate reporting system for long-range programming; and
- Designate the Brainerd State Hospital to serve all institutionalized deaf-blind persons (as opposed to current placement in all seven state hospitals).

Copies of the report may be obtained from Deaf Services Division, Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, Centennial Office Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55155. Tel. (612) 297-3638, TTY (612) 297-3637.

EVENTS

Dec. 7

"Mental Retardation and the Family: A Workshop Exploring Family System, Coping Strategies and Abuse" will be held from 9-4:30 p.m. at Planned Parenthood of Minnesota, 1965 Ford Pkwy., St. Paul, Minn. 55116. Fee: \$30. Tel. (612) 698-2401.

Dec. 13

"Materials and Services for the Handicapped," a workshop be to held at Kirby Ballroom, University of Minnesota, Duluth (UMD), will address issues relating to library and educational services. Guest instructor will feature Dr. James L. Thomas, author and lecturer. Fee: \$18. Contact: Continuing Education and Extension, Duluth Center, 403 Darland Admin. Bldg., UMD, Duluth, Minn. 55812.

YEARNING FOR LEARNING

The state Developmental Disabilities Program Office has acquired several education, training and resource materials. Each month, this section of DD Information Exchange highlights selections from these resources to provide information to potential buyers. The following selections may be borrowed from the regional DD offices.

Teaching Individuals with Physical and Multiple Disabilities, J. L. Bigge and P. O'Donnell, Merrill Publishing Co., 1976. Ideals and commitments have been combined with knowledge and experience of professional educators in this publication, designed essentially for teachers of children and adults with physical and mental handicaps. Its comprehensive coverage include: task analysis, psychosocial aspects, severe communication problems, self care, life experience programming, academics, leisure, work and advocacy.

Toward Independent Living, B. Baker, A. J. Brightman, and S. P. Hinshaw, Research Press, 1980. This is the eighth teaching manual in the Steps to Independence series for parents and teachers of children, adolescents and young adults who are mentally retarded. Part one covers self-care and home-care skills. Part two covers information skills, such as reading sight words, using a telephone, telling time and handling money.

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