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MEMORANDUM

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TO : Health Planning and Resources Development
Interim Planning Staff

DATE: May 30, 1975

FROM : Howard B. Kelly *nick*

SUBJECT: Summary of May 27 Staff Meeting

Mr. Rubel reported on the progress of the FY 1975 Supplemental. The Conference Report (CR) still awaits final action. Gene distributed copies of relevant portions of the CR to the Interim Planning Staff on May 28. Mr. Croft will distribute, separately, a complete summary of the bill as it affects BHPRD.

Mr. Rubel reported that Dr. Cooper has agreed that we ought to prepare a supplemental budget request for potential use during FY 1976. This is in response to our concern that the Department's FY 1976 request is not adequate.

Dr. Rorrie described several of the key Forward Plan issues discussed at a recent meeting of the PHS Policy Board. These included the overall level of PHS agency budget requests for FY 1977 (\$6.8B vs. \$4.7B OMB mark), nutrition, health education, long-term care, CHIP, and funding levels for HSAs.

Mr. Rubel emphasized the need to move rapidly in the development of regulations packages, and he set a goal of transmitting the first set of NPRM's to H no later than the end of June. Mr. Kelly is to track our progress in this area and provide a weekly status report to Mr. Rubel. Gene is personally available to help in this effort, but it's up to us to let him know how he can help.

Mr. Rubel described the action taken at the May 22 meeting of the Federal Hospital Council. A summary of this will appear in the May 30 Biweekly Report.

Mr. Peterson reported that Dr. Paul Batalden has been added to the Ad Hoc Review Panel for area designation. Pete will present a report on the results of the AD Hoc Panel review (scheduled June 5-6) at the June 9 staff meeting.

Mr. Morrone presented an overview of the National Health Planning Information Center. He offered to repeat his presentation to interested BHPRD Divisions and Offices, and he stressed the value of encouraging Bureau staff to make use of the Center.

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Mr. Henson announced that the EEO Task Force was scheduled to meet Thursday, May 29, and that Division-Office meetings were being initiated this week to follow up on the EEO Conference.

At the next meeting Mr. Croft will review the substance and meaning of the FY 1975 Supplemental as it stands at that time.

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