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MEMORANDUM TO: Dr. Woodhall

In July 1965, the hyperbaric unit will begin a formal training program for environmental chamber technicians and physician-assistants. This is in essence the start of a new educational venture under the guidance of the Medical Center. The hyperbaric program will be the first unit of a new school within the framework of the Medical Center. This school will have established entrance requirements and a formal course of study. On completion of the program, a certificate will be issued certifying that the candidate has satisfactorily fulfilled the requirements of the school.

If the Hartford Foundation grant is approved, a second area for training physician-assistants will be set up in the coronary care unit. I know Dr. Sidbury has plans for a more formal program in the Clinical Research Unit. The training of physician-assistants is also underway in our cardiovascular laboratory and in the renal dialysis program.

I am requesting that you set up an appropriate committee to guide the emerging programs designed to bring new personnel into the health field. I would suggest that Jim Mau be secretary of that committee and keep written minutes of its deliberations.

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cc - Mr. Frenzel
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