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February 28, 1973

Malcolm C. Todd, M.D., F.A.C.S.  
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Dear Mac:

As anticipated, the Board of Regents reconsidered the "Essentials of an Approved Educational Program for the Surgeon's Assistant" at their meeting earlier this month. The Board decided to re-submit the Essentials to the AMA Council on Health Manpower with one minor modification changing the requirements for selection (VI-A-3, Page 5) from a high school education to "two years of college or the equivalent". A clarifying preamble was also added.

I hope this modified version will be given early favorable consideration.

With warm regards.

Sincerely,

  
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TO: SUBCOMMITTEE ON ALLIED HEALTH PERSONNEL  
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FROM: C. Rollins Hanlon, M.D.

DATE: February 28, 1973

SUBJECT: Board of Regents Actions

At their meeting earlier this month, the Regents considered the January 17 Report of the Committee on Allied Health Personnel which you previously received. They approved the following:

- 1) Reappointment of current members, and the appointment of Dr. Arthur T. Evans, Cincinnati, and P.A. Peter Dineen, New York City, as new members.
- 2) A change in student entrance requirements in the Essentials of an Approved Educational Program for the Surgeon's Assistant from "candidates for admission must have completed four years of high school or have passed a standard equivalency test" to candidates for admission must have completed two years of college or the equivalent.
- 3) Approved the resubmission of the Surgeon's Assistant Essentials, as modified, to the AMA with an appropriate preamble stating that one of the major reasons for publishing the Essentials in collaboration with the AMA

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Allied Health Accreditation Program is to assure quality, and not quantity, in S.A. Programs. The possibility of the College publishing the Essentials, if the AMA does not approve of them, was discussed without action being taken.

Attached is a copy of the letter to Dr. Malcolm Todd, Chairman AMA Council on Health Manpower, resubmitting the Essentials for consideration by his Council, and the AMA House of Delegates. Included in the Essentials is the preamble requested by the Regents. It has been reviewed by Committee Chairman, George Dunlop.

The Regents have asked me to express their appreciation to the Committees for their efforts to bring this matter to speedy resolution. We shall continue to keep you posted on developments.

With all good wishes.

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Enclosure

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