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CONFERENCE BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF
THE ASSOCIATED HOSPITALS, THE NORTHERN DISTRICT SCHOOL OF NURSING,
THE HOSPITALS & CHARITIES COMMISSION, AND THE VICTORIAN NURSING COUNCIL
AT LISTER HOUSE, BENDIGO, on 17th AUGUST, 1962

A G E N D A

APOLOGIES:-

BUSINESS:- To discuss the position of the associated hospitals and matters affecting the Nursing Education programme in this region in relation to the Bendigo Base Hospital's request to withdraw from the "circular" scheme of training.

QUESTIONS ARISING THEREFROM:-

BENDIGO BASE HOSPITAL

- a) Reasons for withdrawal from circular training.
- b) Is the hospital prepared to continue its association with the School of Nursing, and if so, for what period of time?
- c) Is the hospital prepared to accept students from the District Hospitals of Castlemaine and Echuca for 12 months practical experience - such transfer to be made after the completion of the 1st. year of training and the 1st. Professional examination?
- d) Is it the intention of the hospital to limit the intake of students from the District Hospitals?
- e) Will the hospital undertake to provide nursing experience for these students in surgical and specialist departments as directed by the School of Nursing? If not, why not?
- f) If the principle of student status is accepted, which hospital will be responsible for payment of students' salaries?
- g) Will the Base Hospital provide medical care (as required) for students on exchange duty?

MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL

- a) Reasons for withdrawal from circular training.
- b) Is the hospital prepared to continue its association with the School of Nursing, and if so, for what period of time?
- c) Is the hospital prepared to accept students from the District Hospitals of St. Arnaud and Swan Hill for 12 months practical experience - such transfer to be made after the completion of the 1st. year of training and the 1st. Professional examination?
- d) Is it the intention of the hospital to limit the intake of students from the District Hospitals?
- e) Will the hospital undertake to provide nursing experience for these students in surgical and specialist departments as directed by the School of Nursing? If not, why not?
- f) If the principle of student status is accepted, which hospital will be responsible for payment of students' salaries?
- g) Will the Base Hospital provide medical care (as required) for students on exchange duty?

DISTRICT HOSPITALS Group B hospitals - Castlemaine, Echuca, St. Arnaud, Swan Hill.
All students at the present time are required to spend 12 months at a Base Hospital.

- a) Are the District Hospitals prepared to continue their association with the School of Nursing?
- b) Are the District Hospitals prepared to accept the amended form of agreement in respect of circular training. If not, what are the alternative proposals?
- c) Have any of the District Hospitals considered withdrawing from the field of "general" nurse training to concentrate on Nursing Aide Training?

DISTRICT HOSPITALS (contd.) Group A Hospitals - Kyneton District Hospital.

At the present time this hospital is only approved as a first year training school. For the last 3 years there has been no intake of students. ? Future status.

PROBLEMS AFFECTING THE SCHOOL OF NURSING.

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