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To: Coordinators and Grantee Officials of Regional Medical Programs

Transitional Information for Regional Medical Programs

The State and Areawide CHP agencies and EHSDS are being informed of the operating procedures to be followed during the transition from existing programs to those authorized by the National Health Planning and Resources Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-641).

All such agencies have been informed that they are eligible to apply for transitional funding through December 31, 1975, initially. Please be assured that the RMPs are eligible for support through that period also. However, further specific procedures will be developed for you when we receive necessary information regarding the amount of funds and types of activities that may be supported by RMPs during transition based upon the Continuing Resolution Act that was signed on March 14, 1975. These anticipated changes have been noted on Page 6 of the enclosed Attachment 1, "Transitional Procedures."

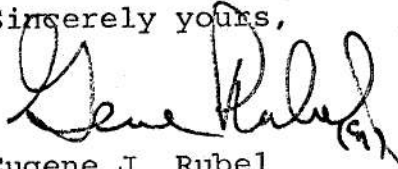
I urge all existing agencies (RMPs, Areawide CHPs, and EHSDSs) to work closely with one another in coordinating their plans for the transition as they relate to assisting in (1) area and agency organization and designations, (2) staffing agencies, (3) transfer of appropriate records and data, and other areas of assistance that may be deemed appropriate by you or suggested by us.

I also urge that all agencies make the utmost effort during the transition period to ensure the continuing participation,

involvement, and support of consumer and provider members of agency advisory bodies, including boards, councils, committees, and task forces.

We hope to be able to provide you with specific instructions within the next two weeks.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Eugene Rubel", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Eugene J. Rubel
Acting Associate Director
for Health Resources Planning