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Dear Conference Participant:

Welcome to the Conference on Regional Medical Programs.

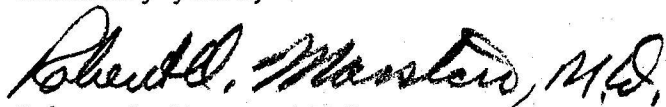
The major purpose of this Conference is to gather information and material which can be used in preparing the forthcoming Report of the Surgeon General to the President and the Congress on Regional Medical Programs.

To afford opportunity for direct participation, all those attending the Conference will be asked to take part in three small group discussion sessions. In this way, we hope to obtain your views and those of others at the Conference.

In addition to the material developed out of the Conference itself, we are also anxious to obtain individual ideas, opinions and comments. This purpose can only be achieved if you and your colleagues will make the effort to provide us with your personal reaction to the Conference. Therefore, a letter or note addressed to me, giving your own thoughts as soon after reflecting on the issues that the Conference brought into focus, will be of great importance in achieving our goal, and will be deeply appreciated. The following schedule indicates the time pressures that we are under and the need for you to act as soon as possible in fulfilling this request.

We are delighted that you can attend the Conference and we sincerely hope you find it a valuable and rewarding experience.

Sincerely yours,



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