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Legislative status re manpower, planning and nursing legislation was reviewed. Apparently the House-Senate Conference Committee staff have agreed to disagree on the manpower bill and this legislation is in doubt. The conference committee is meeting today re the planning legislation. The Senate and House bills re the nursing legislation are the same and enactment is still a possibility.

A continuing resolution re DHEW appropriation has already been designed in the event the President does not sign the appropriation bill.

Ruth Richards from DFU reported on the status of BHRP and legislation. Dr. Green indicated that Dr. Endicott will probably split off the three HRP Divisions from BHRD. HRA has the problem of obtaining sufficient staff to do what has to be done in the agency. At the same time, mention was made that there are about 20 surplus GS-14 and 15s in the three divisions (CHP, RMP, DFU). Doubt was expressed that the new BHRP would get as many positions as it needs to carry out its functions or as desired by Mr. Rubel.

Travel funds will be relocated between the Regions and Headquarters staff, with indications that these are to be reduced. Mention was made that perhaps RMP grants personnel could be asked to help with BHRD grant applications. BHRD grants personnel are in short supply.

HRA is to be subject to an EEO Audit of the Affirmative Action Plans of the constituent programs.

Dr. Green is leaving as of January 1. He will be Assistant to Dr. Edwards, or his successor. Dr. Green and total staff of 11 positions (to be obtained from HRA) will be the focal point on all matters related to Dental Health Care.

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