

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

On April 1, 1968, Secretary Cohen gave his formal approval to the reorganization of certain health functions of the Department and authorized us to proceed with the administrative changes necessary to carry out the plan. These three new operating agencies were established: Health Services and Mental Health Administration, Food and Drug Administration, and the National Institutes of Health.

The Health Services and Mental Health Administration was established to administer the programs that focus on comprehensive health planning, on the organizational delivery of health services, and on programs for research, training, and services in the critical field of mental health.

This Administration cannot carry out its responsibilities without the cooperation and help of its public advisory groups. I am pleased that you are serving on the National Advisory Mental Health Council and am looking forward to working with you in the achievement of our total goal of better health for the American people.

Sincerely yours,

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