

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

SEVENTH MEETING OF DIRECTORS OR  
REPRESENTATIVES OF SCHOOLS OF  
PUBLIC HEALTH

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Progress reports and highlights of the  
development in public health teaching/  
research/community services since the  
last meeting at Manila in 1975

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A. NAME

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Courses started 1913

B. ACADEMIC STAFF

Full-time	...	11
Part-time	...	5
Outside Lecturers	...	Numerous, for specific subjects, some public health staff, others from other University Departments

C. STUDENT BODY

Undergraduates	...	200 in 2nd Year, approx. 75 in 4th and 5th Years and 63 in 6th Year
D.P.H. 1973	...	11
1974	...	12
1975	...	10
1976	...	8
D.I.H. 1977	...	Enrolled - 6

D. TEACHING ACTIVITIES

Diploma Health Services Evaluation

Programme accepted 1974, expected numbers approximately six to eight. Temporarily in abeyance due to changes in Government and lack of clear Health Department policy

Diploma Medical Information Science

Programme accepted 1974, expected numbers three to four (two local, two overseas). Recruitment more difficult than anticipated, feeble support from Government and Medical Research Council

General Practitioner Training Programme as part of Registrarship

Academic component one year part-time course. Progress is being made in this area. Large Government financial aid to increase teaching facilities expected 1977 or 1978

Other Courses Medical Undergraduate

2nd Year Teaching Programme

4th " " "

5th " " "

6th " " "

Diploma in Public Health

Diploma in Industrial Health

E. MAJOR RESEARCH

- (1) Medical Manpower
- (2) Health Centres
- (3) Primary Care Record Systems
- (4) Continuing Medical Education
- (5) Occupational Health (Respiratory Efficiency Measurement)
- (6) Stochastic Models of Chronic Disease
- (7) Utilization of Medical Auxiliaries
- (8) Public Attitudes to Medical Care

F. SERVICE ACTIVITIES

- (1) Consultant Services to Department of Health (national)
- (2) Chairmanship and Membership of Various Central Government Committees
- (3) Development of Health Centres
- (4) Development of Record Systems for General Practitioners
- (5) Immunization Services

G. CO-OPERATION AND COLLABORATION

External Examinerships from time to time

STRONG DISCIPLINES

- (1) Epidemiology
- (2) Medical Information Science
- (3) Occupational Health
- (4) Health Services Evaluation and Planning

H. OBJECTIVES

- (1) Training of all undergraduates in the role of primary care services in personal preventive medicine and health education and the role of Government and other agencies in health care
- (2) Training of doctors in medical management and planning of public health, hospital and primary care services
- (3) Increasing role of School of Public Health in the vocational training of all general practitioners (primary care doctors) who in New Zealand work almost exclusively in the private (state subsidized) sector

I. PLANS

No major plans - strengthening of some sections and further development of computer services.