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National Council of Comprehensive Community  
Mental Health Centers  
Michael McManus, Chairman

Memorandum

TO : Comprehensive Community Mental Health Centers  
FROM : National Council  
SUBJECT: Formation of Council

At a meeting in Denver on October 25, of Directors of Federally Sponsored Community Mental Health Centers, the group established (on an interim basis), the National Council of Comprehensive Community Mental Health Centers.

The goals of the Council are to:

- A. Establish a voice to speak on pending legislation affecting Community Mental Health Centers.
- B. Establish a communications network among the various centers.
- C. Develop a dialogue for discussing the possibility of a continuing organization (including the possibility of association with other organizations designed to further the same objectives).

The Council agreed to accept donations to cover the costs of disseminating information. It also agreed a ceiling should be established on dues that Centers might be asked to make to the Council.

It was further agreed that tentative arrangements should be made for a meeting of all Center directors in the Spring of 1970.

Michael McManus, Director of the Seattle Mental Health Institute, 1729 17th Avenue, Seattle, Washington, was named Interim Chairman of the Council, and the following were named Regional Coordinators to serve as liaison with other centers in their NIMH Region.

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