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> Miss Lakey Senior Nursing Officer St. Pancras Hospital St. Pancras Way LONDON NW1

19 November 1985

Dear Miss Lakey

re: Royal Holloway & Bedford College/Middlesex Hospital Nursing Students - geriatric placements.

I am writing to confirm our arrangements as a result of our discussion on 12th November in your office.

My students (10), a list of names is enclosed will be commencing their geriatric nursing experience on 8th January until and including 20th March. Their days and times of experience will be Tuesdays 1.00 - 6.00 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays times to be arranged by the ward sister. On 8th January they will meet with you and your staff at 10.00 a.m. Nursing Administration for a general introduction to the hospital coupled with a refresher on lifting. I will discuss with the students our expectations in relation to their supernumerary status.

I was very pleased to have met with you and I was also delighted to know that you were able to accommodate the students.

Please feel free to contact me, also if there is anything that you feel I can contribute to your ward.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Marion Ferguson Director Nursing Studies.

P.S. For your information I am also enclosing a communication I sent to all the students.

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NURSING STUDIES

TO: ALL STUDENTS :

Re: Geriatric placements St. Pancras Hospital St. Pancras Way London NW1

Both Nazeer and myself went to see Miss Lakey, the Senior Nursing Officer in charge of St. Pancras Hospital to discuss and to arrange your geriatric placement. See: enclosed copy of my letter to Miss Lakey.

The geriatric experience will take place Tuesday afternoons 1.00 - 6.00, Wednesdays and Thursdays all day (full shift), times to be arranged with the ward sister. As Miss Lakey will use 5 wards for you, 2 students will work on the same ward and if there are any two students who do not wish to work together will you please let me know in good time, i.e. before the end of this term. Your first day in the Hospital will be 10.00 a.m. Jan. 8th

Though you are in fact supernumerary to the ward establishment, to provide you with a sense of belonging, you will be considered for those $2\frac{1}{2}$ days as a member of the ward-team. In this way you should be benefitting by learning to take the appropriate responsibilities but your contribution must be your presence at the time and date stated unless, and only unless you are ill which should be notified to the ward sister. We have scheduled theoretical work outside those $2\frac{1}{2}$ days so that placements need not be interrupted and this includes reading week - February 14th; in other words, though you don't have to turn up for classes, you are required on the wards. I'm sure that you will be learning a great deal of new things and consolidating where you still feel lacking.

With best wishes.

Marion Ferguson Director Nursing Studies.