

5th May, 1983.

Miss Irene Ward,
Acting Secretary,
Central Midwives' Board,
39 Harrington Gardens,
South Kensington,
London SW7.

Dear Miss Ward,

re: Bedford College / Middlesex Hospital undergraduate
course (B.Sc./S.R.N.).
Experience in maternity care and care of the newborn.

Further to our correspondence GS/S 24.1.1983 and 1.2.83, I understand that a discussion took place between Mr. Ron Hoy, Director of Nursing Education, Middlesex Hospital School of Nursing, and the C.M.B. Inspector in relation to the provision of experience in maternity care and the care of the newborn, for Bedford College's undergraduate nursing students. Mr. Hoy has assured me that the C.M.B., through their inspector, approved the current 4-week course for our students for July/August 1984, and for 1985.

I have now been asked by the General Nursing Council to let them have a copy of the agreement which states that no difficulties are anticipated in the provision of this experience. In this connection, I would like to inform you that London University's decision about rationalisation of nursing undergraduate courses decreed that as from 1986 only one undergraduate course of nursing is to remain, and this will be at Chelsea College. In other words, the agreement referred to above will relate only to 1984 and 1985 when the two current courses will undertake maternity care experience.

I should be grateful to you for letting me have the said document so that I can send it off to the General Nursing Council.

Yours sincerely,

Marion Ferggson,
Director of Nursing Studies.

c.c. Mr. Hoy, Middlesex Hospital
Director of Nursing Education.