

February 11th, 1920.

- 1. Training of Health Visitors.
- 2. London - Bedford College.

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Sir,

I have been in consultation with Mrs Reid, the Director of the Department of Social Studies of this College, with regard to your letter of the 18th December last, especially that section of it which concerns the Training of Health Visitors able to undertake duties of a school nurse. We are of opinion that a period of training in nursing such as would be essential for the post of school nurse would be a valuable asset for a woman undertaking any form of health work. At the same time, it is Mrs Reid's view (a view which is, I understand, shared by the majority of those who are undertaking the training of women for Health work) that it will not be possible to include this special training in the two years now afforded for the Health Visitor's course. It appears that the period of 3-6 months for specialised nursing or midwifery training would alone meet the case.

I have to thank the Board for their permission to hold the first examination of Health Visitors in October next instead of in July.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Principal.

The Secretary,
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 Board of Education,
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