

NURSING STUDIES

MF/PJM

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Dear Miss Stewart

re: Bedford College/Middlesex Hospital  
Nursing Students' Placements on the Course

Further to my telephone conversation on 29.11.1984. I am writing to you in relation to the placement of Bedford College's Nursing Students who are undertaking a four year undergraduate course in conjunction with the Middlesex Hospital.

This course is about to be phased out in 1986 and my concern relates to the placement of the last set of students due to be undergoing the obstetrics 4 week course June 28th - July, approved for us by the former CMB.

I have 11 students to accommodate and Middlesex Hospital can only take 5; Mr. Hoy, the Director of Nurse Education of Middlesex School of Nursing has investigated possibilities at UCH, but because there are major changes taking place within Bloomsbury Health Authority which will include the Maternity Department, disruption to normal services are expected and no guarantee can be given as to quality of experience.

While I in no way underestimate these difficulties I am very concerned about the statutory requirements of our students' training to which they are entitled and which we have to provide. I feel particularly concerned for our students, as they, as a result of the Undergraduate Degree in Nursing Studies at Bedford College, being phased out, they have had to endure more than their share of teaching and caring disruptions.

I should be grateful for your advice.

Yours sincerely

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