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FROM: David J. Vail, M.D.
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SUBJECT: Shakopee Home for Children

Through a series of communication errors, it has not been clear to many in the Medical Services Division and other parts of the Department of Public Welfare as to the nature of the Medical Services Division relationship with the Shakopee Home for Children. The purpose of this note is to clarify that point.

The Shakopee Home for Children is physically located on the grounds of the State Reformatory for Women. It houses a group of 30 moderately-severely retarded ambulatory girls from 4 to 12 years of

age. Starting last October it serves the same receiving district as the Faribault State School and Hospital. Intake and certain other specialized functions and services are provided by Faribault State School and Hospital.

Despite the fact that the Reformatory is part of the Department of Corrections, the Shakopee Home for Children is functionally, for program purposes, a part of the Medical Services Division. This means that the Shakopee Home for Children will enjoy full status as one of the Medical Services Division institutions. The superintendent, Miss Ruby Benson, will attend Superintendents' Meeting, Goals Seminar, and other general meetings of the institutions in this division. A program of visits and quarterly supervisory conferences will be set up. Miss Benson will be placed on the mailing list for memos to MSD institution heads and other similar items.

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cc: Mr. James Alexander
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