TO: All Institutions
    Attention: Medical Directors
    Administrators

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SUBJECT: Segregation of toilet facilities

I wonder how much thought has been given to the effect of segregating
toilet facilities in our institutions. I refer, for example, to signs
that say "Women Patients", "Employees Only", etc. It seems to me I have
noticed this in more than one institution.

There are, of course, many important ramifications along a variety of
lines. One interesting one that occurs to me is whether this is actually
legal, in view of the recent Civil Rights legislation. Another angle, of
course, is the implication of Dehumanization.

For further discussion, September 18th.

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cc - Mental Health Executive Council