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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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