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CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM

TO: H. Blackburn

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Included are some of the difficult and, as yet, unresolved decisions about the budget. Changes of these orders will make major steps in balancing the MHHP. It is my opinion that most of these people's presently paid efforts are unjustified in terms of this grant.

1. MHHP Survey is supporting 10% of Lael Gatewood's total of 25% time. Her effort in quality control is roughly 50/50, and she is apparently still contributing to data processing. I think that MMMP should bear equally the load of her services as they should the load of Gail Dolliff.

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- 2. I am waiting to see the critical resolution of switching Dean Surbey, John Vilandre, and Terry Teslow to general computer center support rather than main MHHP support.
- 3. The Emily Dawson situation continues. I recognize the tradeoff, but this grant does not benefit from either Peter Hannon's services or Emily Dawson's.
- 4. Ron Prineas has expressed negative interest in having any duties or participation in this study, particularly since he has new major grants. His 10% should be eliminated.

5. We are now overstaffed in nutrition. Pat Elmer has contributed to the development (but also received her major support for over one year) from MHHP. I feel we have made a committment to RM as our academic nutrition educator and need to find support in other projects for Pat. We do not have the work an can't support this large salary expense in MHHP.

6. The situation of travel and abstractors continues to need to be clarified. I realize that we have some level of developmental cost obligation, but we basically have been supporting hospital surveillance for a year and a half for approximately \$150,000. We have absolutely no data to show for this. Jo and Norm have met with Rich Gillum and

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some changes were going to be made, but I am uncertain about these. I will talk with David about this.

- 7. Art Leon continues to be a problem, and needs to be working on funds relevant to his activities. He has not made substantive contributions over the last year.
- 8. It is my impression that relative to Rich Grimm's contribution to the project, 40% time at his high salary is entirely too much. He should be reduced appropriately to 15% time, which is commensurate with his effort in the area of professional education and screening education. Norm was going to move him to 25% and shift him to MRFIT; however, this has not been done.

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