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Dear Elliot:

You have surely noted the famous "Levy arrow" in various NIH reports. You may also have noted that part of the continuum of research supported by NHLBI are research and demonstration projects, experiments in the effective transposition of knowledge, located between applications research and health action. The four papers enclosed succinctly summarize what these cardiovascular disease prevention programs are about and point up their strong scientific components. The last of the series are the very pertinent remarks by Robert Levy on these programs, their challenge, opportunity and responsibilities. You might prefer his remarks first in the series.

Because we think these are important scientific undertakings, and because NHLBI now has a \$30 million investment in three independent investigator-initiated projects in this country (California, Minnesota and Rhode Island), I would think it would be interesting to have these short papers in the most outstanding journal of Circulation in the country. Its readership should know about this significant effort in the 1980s.

If because of the purely descriptive nature of the articles, without results of analyses (they are only in their second or third year of funding), your editorial board should lack sufficient enthusiasm for occupying the regular pages on the journal, I invite your consideration to having it in the AHA section. These reports were given at an official council meeting of the American Heart Association, the 21st Annual Conference on Cardiovascular Disease Epidemiology.

I am rather hoping that you will share our idea of the importance (and visibility and cost), of these researches in prevention and the importance of international understanding of their goals and operations. I submit the manuscripts on behalf of all four groups.

Cordially,

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Enclosures

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- The Stanford Five City Project
 - The Minnesota Heart Health Program: A Research and Demonstration Project in Cardiovascular Disease Prevention
 - The Pawtucket Heart Health Program: A Prospectus
 - Robert Levy's presentation on March 28, 1981
- HEALTH SCIENCES