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DIFFERENCE IN OUT-PATIENT  
POLICY - UO & OSC

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Action postponed.



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UNIVERSITY OF OREGON  
STUDENTS' HEALTH SERVICE  
EUGENE, OREGON

March 12, 1941

President of Oregon State College,  
President of University of Oregon  
Dean of the University of Oregon Medical School

Dear Sirs:

The writers of this letter agree that the ruling as stated in the last editions of the University and State College catalogues regarding free infirmary care is not to the best interest, either of the students of Oregon or the State System of Higher Education, nor is it in accordance with the usual practice in institutions which constitute the membership of the American Student Health Association. We feel that the present catalogue statement with regard to free infirmary care should be worded as follows:

If a student's condition requires hospitalization for general medical attention he is entitled to free care at the Student Health Service for a period not to exceed 15 days during any one academic year. For longer periods of infirmary care an additional per diem charge will be made, sufficient to cover the cost of the services rendered, (\$3.00 per day for 1941-42).

During the Fall Term of 1940-41 at Oregon State College 13% of the infirmary patients required 3 days infirmary care in excess of the 5 days which is now permitted, according to the present catalogue statement. However, the net cost to the Health Service of this entire number of excess infirmary days would actually be only \$237.00, if the entire 13% of the students who received this service had withdrawn from school for the entire balance of the year. We feel that such a small item of expense does not justify curtailment of infirmary care to a per term basis in view of the difficulty of administration of such a complicated ruling and of the inevitable financial hardship which it would cause the 13% of infirmary patients who exceed the present 5 day infirmary privilege.

Respectfully yours,

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Student Health Service  
Relation between Enrollment and Frequency of Services  
for  
Hospitalization, Office Calls and Home Visits  
1937-38, 1938-39 and 1939-40

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I. Actual Data

Enrollment				
1937-38	3,006	3,950	439	182
1938-39	3,182	4,288	441	256
1939-40	3,456	4,416	481	311
Hospital Patient Days				
1937-38	3,297	3,343	620	10
1938-39	3,828	3,025	361	39
1939-40	4,053	4,052	543	31
Office Calls				
1937-38	17,086	27,603	5,288	4,695
1938-39	21,670	30,698	5,598	7,312
1939-40	22,881	34,560	6,303	7,976
Home Visits				
1937-38	76	126	49	91
1938-39	50	234	20	80
1939-40	60	362	95	49

II. Ratio of Frequency of Service to Enrollment

Hospital Patient Days				
1937-38	1.09	.85	1.41	.054
1938-39	1.20	.705	.82	.152
1939-40	1.17	.91	1.12	.099
Office Calls				
1937-38	5.68	6.99	12.04	25.79
1938-39	6.81	7.15	12.69	28.71
1939-40	6.62	7.77	13.10	25.65
Home Visits				
1937-38	.025	.031	.111	.50
1938-39	.015	.054	.045	.312
1939-40	.017	.081	.193	.157

NOTE: The data for enrollment and frequency of services reflects the experience of the fall, winter, and spring terms but excludes summer sessions. The enrollment figures reflect the data shown in the financial report of the statistician dated April 23, 1940. The information with regard to the frequency of health services was reported by the different institutions.

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