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Mr. Don Rubin
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of Health Services, Inc.
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Dear Don:

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for the assistance you have given us. The training you have given our key staff regarding evaluation of hospital facilities and nursing homes and the position of consumerism is in the process of being transmitted to our local Boards. You are a gold mine of information and resources and we are following up on your recommendations for the kinds of material which we should be reviewing to facilitate planning and Review & Comment. We are also indebted to you for making available to us at no charge your files on Uniform Financial Reports, the Uniform Statistical Reports and the Stepdown Medicare Reports. It would have been possible to obtain these from various official sources, but as you know, the process is extremely time consuming and quite expensive.

I must apologize to you for cancelling our subscription to your Journal. The cancellation is owing to the unusually tight budget restrictions placed upon us by the City. As you know, we have been distributing some 500 copies per edition to our local Boards and our Central Board members. The Journal serves an invaluable function in educating these groups on the real issues of health service delivery mechanisms. I know that you are short of funds and your offer to continue to supply us with these 500 copies gratis is overwhelming. It is deeply appreciated.

You know this of course, informally, but just for the record: if we can ever be of any assistance to you (short of giving you money) please let me know.

Sincerely,


Norma Aronson, Ph.D.
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