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Dr. George A. Ulett, Director
Division of Mental Diseases
722 Jefferson Street
Jefferson City, Missouri



Dear Dr. Ulett:

This letter is in response to your recent inquiry as to the authority of the Division of Mental Diseases to implement a federally financed program to study and develop better care for the mentally ill and retarded of our State.

We note that pursuant to Public Laws 88-156 and 88-164, Governor Dalton has designated the Division of Mental Diseases of the Department of Public Health and Welfare of Missouri as the sole state agency in Missouri for carrying out these programs. It is our opinion that the Division of Mental Diseases is authorized by Chapter 202, RSMo 1959, to implement these programs as indicated in the Governor's executive order.

Very truly yours,

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