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Dear Bill,

Enclosed are xerox copies of the relevant pages from the book, *Convulsive Therapy: Theory and Practice*, which will be published in February by Raven Press, New York.

I have found very little about maintenance ECT, and I have abstracted the two sections from the book and the citations which may be of help to you. There is a distinct need for a **study** of maintenance treatment, particularly the benefits of repeated seizures compared to drug therapy.

You may also wish to look into the APA Task Force report #14 which has just been issued. I recall not statement about maintenance treatment in that volume, and since it lacks an index, I cannot check it easily.

Kalinowsky and Hippus have a small paragraph (page 181) and report only the findings of Geoghegan and Stevenson.

I know of no other sources for your search. I look forward to your paper in Chicago.

My best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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