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Dear Max:

I am sorry to have caused you any embarrassment in my phone call yesterday, but I was calling on MY 2715 business, and believe it proper to ask the hospital to accept the charges. However, if this is a problem to the program, I shall not ask this again.

I have been discussing some of the data with James Vanderplas and we have come to a conclusion which I should like to share with you. At no time during the past year have we been able to obtain a correlation matrix across all the principal items in the study. This should be done for the total population. Depending on whether we have a means of handling missing variables, and the results of the first analysis probably should be repeated for the schizophrenic sub-group; however, in going over the original covariance analysis of the behavioral ratings and the scales derived for drug sensitivity, it is clear that neither set of measures are the most representative of our sample. Dr. Vanderplas has recommended, and I believe that we should undertake, a factor analysis of the three principal rating scales (Lorr, Lorr Ward, and Johns Hopkins) for our total population. In part, this was also asked by one of the referees in the paper accepted by Wikler. While I was hesitant about doing this last week, I have had occasion to review the whole problem and I believe that we should do it here.

I hope you concur, and it will be helpful if you would ask the girls to lay out the following information. We are particularly interested in three tasks, and would ask that the same sheets as used in setting up the covariance data be used again. Leave the first two columns blank to identify the task; next, identify patient number, treatment type, and pre or post score. Then the scores can be laid out as to digit numbers for 10 columns, continuously for each subject.