

June 19th, 1973

CORIHHS - Department of Psychiatry

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The Departmental CORIHHS met in the library at 11.00 a.m.; Drs. S. Merlis, E. Rubinstein and M. Fink (Chairman).

1. The project "Effects of Television on Children's Prosocial Behavior" was discussed. The Committee was assured that the risk to the subjects was minimal. In a discussion of the permit, the Committee made the following suggestions:

- (a) the study by limited to children with parents rather than those with a guardian;
- (b) the sentence "I have been informed about the other details of the study to my satisfaction" was amended to "I have been informed about the details of the study as provided in the attached description". (Paragraphs 2 and 3 of the description of the project should be made available to the parents);
- (c) it was suggested that the last sentence not provide the phrase "to defray incidental costs" but that it specify the complete fee to be paid for participation.

The Committee was assured by Dr. Rubinstein that the videotape of the subjects would not be shown publicly, and that this assurance was added to the form submitted and signed by Dr. Rubinstein.

With these amendments the proposal was approved.

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2. The Committee discussed the potential source of other projects and indicated that it would be willing to review all projects carrying the department's imprimatur, should the Committee be requested.

The Committee adjourned at 12.10 p.m.

Max Fink, M.D.
Chairman

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