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MEMORANDUM

To: All Members and Staff of the Department of Community Health and Social Medicine

From: William F. Maloney, M. D.

Subject: Closing of the Department of Community Health and Social Medicine

As most of you already know, Tufts University School of Medicine has decided to close the Department of Community Health and Social Medicine effective June 30, 1971.

This means that all departmental activities as such will be discontinued by that date. Arrangements are being made to continue education and research in community medicine in other ways until a more comprehensive, unified effort with leadership is constituted.

Some of the faculty and staff will be terminated by this action; all those who are so affected will receive an additional specific notice from my office confirming this step in each individual case.

A number of departmental faculty members will continue as members of the faculty of the medical school, but with varied departmental affiliations. Unless special arrangements are made to the contrary, their offices will remain in their present locations. The building at 49 Bennet Street will continue to be open for this purpose.

The Tufts Columbia Point Health Center will continue to be affiliated with the medical school, but will be linked administratively through the Dean's office rather than through an academic department. Clinical and other faculty members at Columbia Point will continue to have faculty status, but with appointments in the departments of their special training or interest.

The Tufts-Delta Health Center will continue to be affiliated with the medical school until August 31, 1971, but from June 30th onwards the administrative responsibility will be vested primarily with Dr. Geiger at the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

In order to manage these departmental and grant responsibilities, Dr. Geiger will be actively associated with the medical school until June 30th, although much of his work will be concerned with the transfer of Delta responsibilities to Stony Brook.