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AGENDA

MEETING ON BIOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF EXPOSURE TO ASBESTOS DUST

Philadelphia - August 21, 1974

I. Review of Mortality Studies
   - Enterline - 7,500 Friction Material Workers - Mortality Rate Understated
   - Mancuso - Manheim
   - NIOSH (USPHS) - Manheim
   - Other Mortality Data

II. Review of Morbidity Data
   - Manheim
   - N. Charleston
   - Stratford

III. Evaluation of Dr. Murphy's Paper, "Human Factors in Chest Auscultation"
   1. Is this approach of value in detecting early signs of onset of disease?
   2. Should R/M assist in funding additional research?

IV. Review of Criteria for Evaluating Early Signs and Degree of Asbestos Related Disease

V. Fiber Size and Carcinogenicity. Evaluation of Size Distribution of NOVATEX Fibers.

VI. Evaluation of Future Mortality and Morbidity Trends Based on Best Estimates of Past and Present Exposure to Airborne Concentrations of Asbestos Dust

VII. Recommendations on Cooperation with Scientific Researchers as Requested by Drs. Gilson and Mancuso

VIII. Medical Surveillance Program. Medical Directors' Role in Job Change Recommendations

Why cooperate with scientists?

- To assist in the determination of safe levels of exposure - NOTE Kook paper
- We have valuable information going back to 1930
- have been told by Gilio, Mancuso, Neuhaus image not good if we fail to respond - DR Hadley DR Mann
- obligation to employees
- legal implications of withholding info
- Goodman recommends Gilio - stay away from Mancuso - private practitioner

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- R/M health record indefensible - must face it and not getting better (textiles)
- present counts high - exposure still excessive

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Textiles