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MEMORANDUM TO THE MED/NPS COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Task Group's Letter, subject; Criteria for
Defining Categories, dated January 14, 1975

Subject letter would establish a system consisting of items that would be managed on a centrally stocked basis or on a non-stocked basis.

On the assumption that we adopt Task Group #1's recommendation that items within the system should be assigned non-duplicatively between VA and DOD, there are several other elements identified in subject letter that must be considered and procedures should be developed to deal with them. Some of these elements are:

1. ~~A definition of the "system to include criteria for entering and retaining an item in the "system".~~

2. A method of collecting data on non-cataloged locally purchased items which would be candidates for item entry.

3. An item entry and review procedure.

4. A procedure to determine the best method of supply.

5. A procedure to determine the best method of procurement.

6. A method of collecting and maintaining continuously usage data on items in the system that are designated non-stock.

7. The development of a Federal Supply Catalog which would contain all the items in the "system".

8. An examination of the impact of the implementation of Task Group #1's recommendation on ~~POD, DHEW, GSA, and VA.~~

The standard recommendation
I recommend the Committee establish the necessary task groups to deal with these elements.

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