

Region can dial the library at any time and request a tape relevant to a problem in which he is interested.

4. *Nursing telephone dial access tape recording library in the areas of heart disease, cancer, stroke, and related diseases, direct cost—\$18,800*

This feasibility study, similar to the one above, will establish a central tape library with information recorded on nursing care in emergencies, new procedures and equipment, and recent developments in nursing. Nurses from any hospital in the region will be able to call at any time to have a tape played to them.

5. *Development of medical and health related single concept film program in community hospitals, direct cost—\$33,250*

This education feasibility project involves ten community hospitals in its first phase. Fifteen films on procedures and techniques used in treating heart, cancer, and stroke, will be developed. Projectors and the films will be installed in the hospitals for use by physicians and other health personnel at their convenience as a continuing education device. After four to six months the materials will be relocated in ten additional hospitals.

TELEVISION, RADIO AND TELEPHONE NETWORKS FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION OPERATIONAL PROJECTS

I. Albany Regional Medical Program

Two-way radio communication system—Direct cost, \$144,100

This project will expand an existing two-way radio network to include 57 hospitals and 24 high schools. It will provide continuing education for physicians and allied medical personnel. It will also provide information and education programs for administrators, members of boards of trustees, voluntary health agencies, adult education classes, and selected civic groups.

II. Intermountain Regional Medical Program

Network for continuing education in heart disease, cancer, stroke, and related diseases—Direct cost, \$243,000

The objectives of this program are to develop a communications network between patient-care and research institutions to encourage liaison between health care personnel in the area. The currently existing two-way radio system, including 11 hospitals in 7 communities in or near Salt Lake City has been expanded to 10 additional remote hospitals to serve as one link. This system will be expanded to additional hospitals in response to physician requests. Closed circuit TV and use of KVED (University of Utah education TV) is also planned. This may establish the community hospital as the focus of continuing education.

III. Kansas Regional Medical Program

Health sciences communication and information center—Direct cost, \$77,900

This project is engaged in conducting studies to determine the feasibility of establishing communication linkages vital to education, service and research programs. Specific studies to be undertaken are a physician communication system, TV teaching, electronic linkages, and Medlars search capacity. Linkages will be established at hospitals in Great Bend, Pittsburg and Kansas City.

IV. Washington-Alaska Regional Medical Program

Central Washington—Communication system for continuing education for physicians—Direct cost, \$18,181

This project is designed to bring the medical resources of the University of Washington to physicians and community hospitals in Yakima, who in turn will act as consultants to surrounding smaller communities through seminars and conferences, educational TV, other audio-visual instruction; and exchange of teachers and practitioners. It will also connect internists in Central Washington to Yakima cardiologists via EKG telephone hot-line, to permit quick analysis (starting with 5 community hospitals). Three general hospitals in Yakima involved are: St. Elizabeth's, Yakima Valley Memorial, and New Valley Osteo-