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HEALTH DEPARTMENT Commissioner's Office

An Inventory of Its Correspondence

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

- Agency:** Minnesota. Dept. of Health. Commissioner's Office.
- Series Title:** Correspondence.
- Dates:** 1976-1999.
- Abstract:** Correspondence created mainly during the terms of Warren R. Lawson (1971-1979), George R. Pettersen (1979-1983), and Sister Mary Madonna Ashton (1983-1991).
- Quantity:** 7.2 cu. ft. (8 boxes).
- Location:** See Detailed Description section for box locations.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE RECORDS

The letters and related papers document various operations and interests of the Health Department. Included is correspondence with state legislators and federal senators and representatives, letters received by the governor's office and forwarded to the Health Department for answer, and a number of files of assistant commissioners and office staff.

INDEX TERMS

These records are indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.

Topics:

Medical policy—Minnesota.

Persons:

Ashton, Mary Madonna.

Barry, Anne M.

Boschwitz, Rudy, 1930- .

Brouwer, Estelle M.
Casey, Michelle.
Feldman, Nancy J.
Finn, Mick.
Lawson, Warren R.
McCally, John.
McInerney, Dan.
Mickelsen, Ruth.
O'Brian, Mary Jo.
Pettersen, George R.

Organizations:

Minnesota. Dept. of Health—Officials and employees.
Minnesota. Office of the Governor.
Minnesota. Legislature.
United States. Congress.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Note to Researchers: To request materials, please note the location shown below.

Location

114.A.4.1B	Ashton, Sister Mary Madonna, Commissioner, 1983–1991. 1983-1988. 20 folders.
114.A.4.2F	1988-1991. 7 folders. Includes some material of Ashton's successor, Commissioner John McCally.

Location

- 114.A.4.2F Anne M. Barry, Acting Commissioner/Commissioner, 1995–1996.
1995 February-September. 8 folders.
- 114.A.4.3B 1995 October-December. 3 folders.
1996. 11 folders.
Brouwer, Estelle, Assistant to the Commissioner, 1989–1990.
Casey, Michelle, Policy Analyst, 1984–1988.
Feldman, Nancy, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Health Delivery
Systems, 1988–1990.
Finn, Mick, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Health Protection,
1987–1991.
McInerney, Dan, Assistant Commissioner for Community
Services/Deputy Commissioner, 1983–1991. 2 folders.
- 114.A.4.4F Mickelsen, Ruth, Director of Legal and Policy Affairs, 1988–1989.
Mary Jo O'Brian, Commissioner, 1994–1995. 13 folders.
Correspondence with Legislature, Minnesota, Representatives, 1984-
1990. 2 folders.
- 114.A.4.5B Correspondence with Legislature, Minnesota, Senators, 1984-1900. 2
folders.
Correspondence with United States Congress, 1976–1990. 5 folders.
General, 1978–1989.
House of Representatives, 1976–1989. 3 folders.
Senator Rudy Boschwitz, 1979–1990.
Miscellaneous letters, 1976-1990. 4 folders.
Miscellaneous letters, 1979-1987. 2 folders.
- 114.A.4.6F Miscellaneous letters, 1987-1990.
Miscellaneous letters, 1980-1990. 7 folders.
Red Folder letters, 1996–1999. 26 folders.
Governor's constituent correspondence referred to the Health
Department for response within five days of receipt. Also
includes Yellow Folder letters, commissioner's constituent
correspondence referred within the agency for response.
1996 December – 1997 September. 10 folders.
- 114.A.4.7B 1997 October – 1998 October. 13 folders.
- 114.A.4.8F 1998 November–December. 2 folders.
Community Health Services, 1999.
[0.8 cu. ft., empty, letter]