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Finding Aid for the

Kent County Health Department Records

Collection # 034

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Abstract

The Kent County Health Department Records include documents of the work of this Western Michigan county, from about 1900 to 1976, through its working files, images and publications. Excerpts from the Official Minutes of Council Meetings, 1857-1885 concerning health, and *Let in the Sunlight : Michigan's Heritage of Health from 1873 to the present* / by John R. Cook, provide some insights into later 19th century health issues. Included are correspondence, history notes, manuals, minutes, news releases, newspaper clippings, notes, photographs, and scrapbooks, documenting and illustrating the history, operations, and organization of Kent County Health Department. Books, booklets, bulletins, charts, government documents, magazine articles, newsletters, newspaper clippings, notes, subject notes, and scrapbooks provide information on subjects or issues that pertain to the public health environment, social work, and welfare. Some of the subjects include: alcoholism, civil defense, children's health, high risk pregnancies, birth defects, cancer, divorce, civil rights, drug addiction, epilepsy, home safety, muscular dystrophy, poverty, polio, rubella, scabies, swine flu, syphilis, and tuberculosis. Also included are bibliographies, publication lists, and catalogs documenting other sources available at that time in the health field, welfare, social work, and behavioral sciences. At least one photo includes Dr. Grace Eldering & Loney Gordon, who along with Dr. Pearl Kendrick and associated others are credited with the development of the Whooping Cough vaccine.

<http://www.accesskent.com/Health/HealthDepartment/>

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Size: 17 cu.ft.

Related Holdings

Vital Statistic of the County, and other documents as mandated by law, are kept by the related county offices.

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However, there is no county archives which maintains files such as those found here, and in many cases, the records for some department or project may be discarded or lost. In the absence of a county wide historical archives, those collections which have local historical information of service to area citizens have been maintained primarily by either the Grand Rapids Public Library or City of Graphics Rapids Archives and Records Center. Other area archives may also have acquired some Kent collections, as well.

For related Kent County reports see Coll. 274, GRPL Michigan & Grand Rapids Annual Report Collection

See also:

Coll. 045, which was received from Robert Blett of the Kent County Health Department but processed separately.

Coll. 054, which is said to contain accession 1986.435, Grand Rapids Health Department photos.

Coll. 309, Kent County, Michigan Records at the Grand Rapids Public Library. Includes unique or duplicate records obtained separately and now housed in the Archives. Some of these were previously in the Local History book collection. See info. On new Human Services complex at the old Sheldon Complex in 309.

Coll. 321, American Red Cross, Kent County Chapter. Record.

Coll. 328, Michigan Woman and the Whooping Cough Vaccine : the Pearl Kendrick & Grace Eldering Papers, Katherine Chase Scrapbook, and other sources. Staff members such as Loney Gordon, and the three woman names above are documented among the records of Coll. 034 as well.

See also:

Coll. 098 Mercy Nursing School

Coll. 267 Blodget Nursing School

Coll. 274 Select annual reports for the Visiting Nurse Assoc. of Grand Rapids, or the District Nursing Assoc. of Grand Rapids

Box Summary

Box No.	Description of Contents	Box Description
1	bibs/books/bulletins	Standard
2	charts/contracts/correspondence	Standard Legal
3	correspondence	Standard
4	govn't docs/hst.notes	Standard Legal
4.5	History of the Department	Slim
5	magazine articles/minutes	Standard
6	minutes/newsletters	Standard Legal
7	newspaper clippings	Standard Legal
8	notes	Standard Legal
9	notes	Standard
10	notes	Standard Legal
11	notes	Standard Legal
12	notes	Standard Legal
13	pamphlets	Standard
14	papers/policies/stats	Standard
15	reports	Standard
16	reports	Standard Legal
17	reports	Standard Legal
18	reports	Standard Legal
19	reports	Gray Full Lid 3x10x13
20	reports	Standard
21	reports	Standard
22	reports	Standard
23	reports	Standard
24	reports	Standard
25	reports	Standard Legal
26	reports	Standard Legal
27	reports	Standard
28	reports	Standard Legal
29	subject notes	Standard
30	subject notes	Standard Legal
31	subject notes	Standard
32	subject notes	Standard Legal
33	subject notes	Slim
33.5	Photos found in collection folders	slim
Added 11/20/2006		
34	photographs	Standard
34.5	photographs	standard
Box added due to expansion during item level description. 3/27/2006		

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35	photographs	Standard
36	photographs	Standard
36.5	Non-photographic images	slim
37	glass negatives	Slim 2.5x5x6
38	glass negs	Slim same
39	glass negs	Slim same
40	dept. scrapbooks	Custom made 6.5x13x19
41	dept. scrapbooks	Gray Full Lid 3x19x15
42	scrapbooks/county papers	Cubic
43	scrapbooks	Cubic
44	confidential material	Standard
45	Unprocessed	Cubic
46	Unprocessed	Cubic
47	Unprocessed	Cubic

224-16 Signs

Added 12/22/2006

Processing note:

Generally, the collection was in good condition. The papers and photographs were placed in record center boxes. The papers and photographs are arranged alphabetically and chronologically within their series. The procedures used in preserving the collection consisted of the following: removing dirt and dust from papers with document pad, removal of staples and paper clips, photocopying newspaper clippings on acid free paper, and placing the papers and photographs into acid free folders and boxes.

Photo processing, 10/2003 and 2/2006.

No archival location information has yet to be recorded on the reverse of many of the images. It is possible that items have been misplaced during use over the years, and thus may be in a different folder or even been separated to a different collection than originally received. For example, some items with hand written dates on the reverse have been processed under those dates. Others are now found under broad headings, such as "Administration". This may have been intentional, or a later misplacement. Some images visually appear to belong in other folders with like images. Ultimately, most dates should be considered circa dates, unless further research provides firm information.

History

The Kent County Health Department is under the supervision of the Kent County Board of Commissioners which establishes county policy, provides financial support, and appoints a Board of Health. The Board of Health appoints the Public Health Director, establishes department policy, approves programs, and adopts a budget. The Public Health Director is charged with the study and evaluation of public health problems and the implementation of programs for all the people within the resources allotted. The director cooperates with all other social, health, citizen, and government groups to develop community health problems. Also the director evaluates health needs periodically and revises old or creates new programs and services to meet these needs.

The Deputy director for Medical Services and the Assistant Director for Administration assists the Director in implementing a comprehensive public health program for Kent County.

The Kent County Health Department is made up of seven service divisions, each with its own director, and professional, technical and clerical support staff. Included are: Adult Health and Disease Control Division, Community Centers Division, Environment Health Division, General Services Division, Maternal, Child and School Health Division, Public Health Nursing Division, Substance Abuse Coordination Division. Although the divisions are organized along functional lines, they operate cooperatively in the implementation of the total public health program.

The beginnings of an organized health program are somewhat obscure, but apparently city fathers worried about the health of the community as early as 1857. There was first a Health Committee of Council members and then in 1871, a Board of Health. In 1887 this board was organized to consist of four council members with the mayor and president of the council ex officio, and a health officer was appointed. According to the Health Department, this date marks the beginning of an actual public health program. The first health officer was Dr. Hugo L. Pinski; he was followed in 1888 by Dr. Edward Watson and in 1889 by Dr. Henry Saunders. Other early officers were Drs. Robert Luton, William Delano, and T.M. Koon, and there are references to other doctors (Locher, Barth, Griswold) serving on the Board of Health. In 1910 Dr. C.C. Slemmons became Health Officer and in 1917, at the same time the city government was reorganized, this was made a full-time job. Dr. W.B. Prothro succeeded Dr. Slemmons and presided over the 1954 merger of the city and county health departments into the present organization. After Dr. Prothro's retirement in 1976, Dr. Douglas A. Mack was appointed Director of Public Health.

Scope and Content

The collection consists of 28 series, Bibliographies, Books, Booklets, Bulletins, Certificates, Charts, Contracts, Correspondence, Government Documents, Journals, Magazine Articles, Manuals, Minutes, Newsletters, News Releases, Newspaper Clippings, Notes, Pamphlets, Papers, Policies, Plays, Reports, Statistics, Subject Notes, Photographs, Worksheets, and Scrapbooks. Books, booklets, bulletins, charts, government documents, journals, magazine articles, newspaper clippings, notes, pamphlets, papers, plays, and subject notes pertain to subjects or issues that relate to public health, social work, and welfare. Some of the most noted subjects and issues include: alcoholism, arthritis, birth defects, cancer, child development child abuse, civil defense, civil rights, delinquency, divorce, drug addiction, epilepsy, syphilis, heart disease, measles, muscular dystrophy, poverty, scabies, swine flu, and tuberculosis.

Series Descriptions

Series I. Bibliographies document written sources on social welfare, child protection, child welfare, child development, adoption services, day care, foster care, handicapped, welfare, juvenile delinquency, orthopsychiatric, etc. In addition, there is a selected bibliography on the topic Revolution or Evolution : An Analysis of New Perspectives In Social Work Practice in The Health Field.

Series II. Books include: Health Resources Statistics, 1965, contains health manpower data. Syphilis contains valuable background information on the disease. New York City's Health: 1963 - 1964 contains information regarding the history and operation of the New York City Health Department.

Series III. Booklets provide information on the following topics: Accidents, Packaged Disaster Hospital, Implications for Human Welfare, Medical Social Service in Tuberculosis Sanitarium, Human Services in Michigan, Public Health, Medical Care, and Routine Surveillance of Radioactivity Around Nuclear Facilities.

Note: There are other publications scattered in folders throughout the collection, as well as some publications which may fall within other series categories.

Series IV. Bulletins from the Kent County Health Department, National Association of Social Workers, and National Tuberculosis Association containing documentation regarding social work services, and tuberculosis.

Series V. Certificates from the National organization for Public Health Nursing cover a time span from 1932-1943.

Series VI. Charts provide information regarding deaths related to prematurity from 1922 to 1950, and infant mortality rate, 1900-1945. In addition, there is an organizational chart pertaining to Grand Rapids/Kent County Health Departments.

Series VII. Contracts, including a contract regarding the County Nurses in the City Department.

Series VIII. Correspondence consists of letters from patients, health associations, public offices, educational organizations, health agencies, clinics, inter - departmental, and medical social workers regarding health programs and projects. There are several letters from students requesting information on subjects pertaining to biology and health education. Most valuable incoming and outgoing letters include: Mrs. Richard E. Flexman, Health Educator; B. Margaret Voss, Dean of Women at Davenport College of Business; Warren J. Coon, Accident Prevention Consultant; Mary E. Twigg, Secretary, Division of Health Information; John A. Doherty, Executive Director, Michigan Health Council; Youngs Drug Products Corporation; Planned Parenthood Clinics; Joseph Zainea, City Manager; United Community Services; Youth Contact

Center; Vernon J. Ehlers, Chairman, Kent County Board of Commissioners; Eunice U. Hustvedt, ACSW medical social worker; Dr. Rose Brunson, medical social consultant; and Richard Solon, Chairman, Grand Rapids Junior Chamber of Commerce. Moreover, there are letters regarding health topics such as polio, venereal disease, paratyphoid and salmonella.

Series IX. Government Documents include documents pertaining to the following: General School Laws (1942); Public Acts of 1965; Rules and Regulations from the Civil Service Commission; Tuberculosis; Water Supply and Plumbing; and Senate Bill No. 1352.

Series X. History Notes contain valuable information about the history of Kent County Health Department, Public Health Nursing, and Kent County Red Cross. Moreover, there are notes regarding the Polio disease.

Series XI. Journals from the Michigan Welfare League containing board minutes, and information regarding various topics such as: United Funds, Welfare Costs, Children Services, Rehabilitation, Social Work Training Programs, Saginaw Probation Project, Homemaker Service, Cure for Delinquency, ABC's of the Future, Kaiser Frazier Rehabilitation Program, and Social Welfare Programs in the Space Age.

Series XII. Magazine Articles include information regarding children behavior, polio, syphilis, health, poverty, and tuberculosis.

Series XIII. Manuals provide data on meeting the funding needs of the public health, welfare, and recreation services. These sources contain the Priorities Plan, which described the procedures required to meet county needs. In addition, there is a civil defense manual.

Series XIV. Minutes provide a summary of meetings pertaining to the Health Committee, Unmarried Mothers Services - Master Plan Subcommittee, Youth Contact Center, and Division of Tuberculosis and Adult Health.

Series XV. Newsletters include valuable information regarding children health, alcohol and drug abuse, poison prevention, dental health, child abuse, food, venereal diseases, gonorrhea, syphilis, suicide, health education, pediatric care, and welfare. Some contain information on legislation from federal agencies that affect family life, children, and community services in the areas of health, education, welfare, housing, employment and recreation. Overall, these sources are useful in doing research on various diseases, or on topics relating to health education.

Series XVI. News Releases Contain information regarding health programs and projects.

Series XVII. Newspaper Clippings contain information regarding accidents, alcoholism, chronic disease, communicable disease, dental health, drugs, mental illness, polio, nursing, and sanitation. Furthermore, there are several clippings portraying the past programs and projects of the Kent County Health Department.

Series XVIII. Notes is a large series containing background information on the numerous health topics: alcoholism, budgets (1930-1954), camps, charm school, children's programs, civil defense-first aid, community health service, criteria for identifying high risk pregnancies, deaths from selective causes (1965-1967), dental screening, door to door education program, Franklin Hall Complex, Geriatrics, Kalamazoo Project, health education interns, health hints for travelers, home health agencies, Sheldon Complex, social service in Grand Rapids, and V.I.P. projects. Overall, these notes are valuable in describing Kent County Health Department service divisions, and programs.

Series XIX. Pamphlets contain information regarding government, health, welfare, recreation and hospital services, social development, and civil defense disaster programs. Moreover, there is material pertaining to drugs, sewage, and tuberculosis. The Michigan Health pamphlets provide valuable historical information on the Michigan Health Department. Some of the other valuable pamphlets include: Assembling Equipment In The Packaged Disaster Hospital, FDA Life protection series on drugs; Hospital Dietary Services , Into the Future ... Healthfully, Johnny Health is a Part of Learning Too! 10 concepts for a Total Health Program, Assistance under the Social Security Act, and "Social Development: Key to the Great Society."

Series XX. Papers contain valuable information about teenage unmarried mothers, unwed black and white women of the lower socioeconomic class, social and educational needs of poor children, mental hygiene, and poverty. Most valuable papers include: "Comparative Study of Pregnant Lower Class Negro and White Women's Attitude toward Illegitimacy," "Meeting the Social and Educational Needs of Poor Children." "Mental Hygiene in the Community," and "The Other America: Poverty in the United States."

Series XXI. Plays describe or portray home safety. "Your Bonnet With All The Hazards On It" emphasizes home safety in a unique way by the use of millinery. The play consist of ladies or models wearing stylish, wearable hats which are trimmed with various hazards to safety encountered in the home. "A Day In The Home" describes the types of accidents which may occur in the home.

Series XXII. Policies regarding birth, vaccines, and death are included. In addition, there are Kent County Health Department division policies.

Series XXIII. Reports. Included are Annual, monthly, and weekly reports from various agencies, divisions, projects and programs, covering a time span from 1911 to 1976. There are reports from the health and medical director's offices. In addition, there are a few evaluation reports. A majority of the reports are for the Grand Rapids - Kent County Health Department. Other important reports document the following: Alcoholism, Rehabilitation Program, Community Health Service, Kent County Public Health Biennial Program Plan (1969-1972), Environmental Health Division (1959-1964), Maternal and Child Health Division (1966-1968), Social Service (1966-1967), Sheldon Complex (1966-1967), Teenage Health Program (1966-1967), Nursing Program, Tops for Teens Club (1966-1969), Unwed Mothers Group,

V.I.P. Project, and Youth Contact Center.

Series XXIV. Statistics concerning nursing, population, whooping cough, and vital statistics are included.

Series XXV. Subject Notes cover a variety of subjects pertaining to social work and health education fields. Some of the subjects include: alcoholism, arthritis, birth defects, cancer, child abuse, tuberculosis, child development, civil defense, drug addiction, contagious diseases, crippled adults and children, day care, delinquency, divorce, environmental health, epidemiology, heart disease, physically handicapped, poison prevention, poverty, rubella, scabies, still births, swine flu, and welfare.

Series XXVI. Worksheets provide problems and issues that a social worker may observe in their work.

Series XXVII. Photographs and Glass Lantern Plates. One of the largest series in the collection, these image include those documenting staff and events, as well as many images which have been used in the publications elsewhere in the collection. They illustrate various programs and projects of Kent County Health Department. There are numerous photographs regarding the administration. In addition to the photographs, there are several glass lantern plates illustrating some diseases, and showing the nursing staff during the early years of the Health Department. The majority of the plates, however, show or portray children during their medical checkups. Certain uses of some images may be restricted due to privacy concerns.

Note: Some photos may still exist in scattered folders within the collection. When found, these are being moved to box 034-033.5, but document for the folder where found, which may indicate a particular use.

It appears that many of the photos were used in publications or image presentations from the department. A desired mini-project for a volunteer or researcher is to match the images in the collection to those publications where used, and make a record of that match, for the possible better identification of the image and context.

Series XXVIII. Scrapbooks containing newspaper clippings document former programs, projects, and health issues of the Kent County Health Department. They describe the various diseases that affected the public health environment, and how the Health Department combated them.

Series XXIX. Graphics

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3	Book	New York City's Health: 1963-1964
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	7	General Stores Section of the Packaged Disaster Hospital
	8	Implications for Human Welfare
	9	Medical Social Service in a Tuberculosis Sanatorium
	10	Michigan Public Health Association
	11	Pharmacy Section of the Packaged Disaster Hospital
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	15	Twenty-Five years of Public Health in Kent County 1914-1939. (2 copies, 11/16/2006)
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29 Jan 8-Feb 14, 1958.
30 Apr 28, 1958-Mar 21, 1960.
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33 Mar 3-Apr 22, 1965.
34 Jan 4, 1966-May 15, 1968.
35 Feb 1, 1966-Oct 1, 1968.
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44 Jan 23, 1970-Dec 23, 1971.
45 May 19-Aug 19, 1971.
46 Apr 23, 1979.
47 1980, Acquisition of the Health Dept. Archives.
48 Health Careers Program.
49 Migrant Hospitalization, Jul 9-10, 1970.
50 Paratyphoid and Salmonella, 1911-55.
51 K. O. Polio, Nov 13, 1963-Feb 19, 1964.
52 United Community Services, 1969-71.
53 Joseph Zainea, Jan 1-15, 1963.

Series IX. Government Documents.

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6/25/2003]

4	54	General School Laws, 1942.
	55	Michigan Dept. of Mental Health, Statues, 1964.
	56	Grand Rapids Housing Ordinance Feb. 24, 1914.
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Series X. History Notes.

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| 4 | 64 | History Notes-General. |
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| | 65 | Health Dept., Otterbein Interviews. |
| | 66 | Public Health Nursing. |
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| | 68 | K.O. Polio. |
| 4 | 69 | Red Cross. |
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| | | Note: Box 034-4.5 added from accession 1997. |
| 4.5 | 1 | 50th Anniversary of the Kent Co. Health Dept.1981. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invitation. Jan. 19, 1981. • Key Note Address, Dr. Richard J. Potter. • Program. • Highlights of Public Health in Kent County • Resolutions, copies. • Newspaper clipping. GR Press, Jan. 13, 1981, Kent Health Department to Observe Its 50th Years. • Newspaper clipping. GR Press, Mar. 4, 1979. "New Home for Health Department, but Neighborhood is Familiar. • Correspondence • Retires from Health Department. Name/address list. • 1979 Annual Report. Includes article "50 Years of Protection through Prevention." • Various flyers, which include an illustration of part of the building. |
| 4.5 | 2 | Histories and Timelines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Short History of Public Health in Kent County. • Information relating to the History of the City of Grand Rapids Health Department • [A discussion of the City-County Health Department ...[1964] ... • A reference sources list. Robert Blett. • Historical notes on Public Health Nursing in Grand Rapids ... First Tuberculosis Clinics ...School Nurses ... Clinic for Infant Feeding ... • Excerpts Relating to History of the City of Grand Rapids Health Department • Other misc. documents |
| 4.5 | 3 | History Notes on the Department. Robert Blett <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rough Draft of Annual Report, 1961. Typed & annotated. |
| 4.5 | 4 | Health Department History. Excerpts from the Official Minutes of Council Meetings, 1857-1885. |

- 4.5 5 "The Health Department Story", Master Script for a slide Tape show.
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- 4.5 6 "The Health Department Story". Alternative script information, and "how
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74 "Raising A Bright And Happy Child."
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- 6 86 General Staff Meeting - Division of Tuberculosis and Adult Health, Sep
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- 6 87 Currents In Public Health, Apr 1964 to Feb 1967.
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- 89 Health Hints, Oct 1958-Jan 1979.
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- 91 Interdepartmental Circular.
- 92 M.P.H.A., Mar 1970.
- 93 Michigan Alcoholism Review, Oct. 1969-Apr 1970.
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- 7 114 Polio.
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- 9 147 Health Department Story.
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 - First Draft of the script for the slide show “The Health Department Story” / Robert J. Blett, Health Information Specialist.
 - Organization charts, 10/78,m for the various offices and facilities under the Kent County Board of Health.
 - “Her Speciality: House Calls” RE: Miss Thelma Hopkins, Public Health Nurse since 1929. June 6, 1969.

See 034-33.5-1 For items removed from this folder to be housed with other photographs.

Black & White photographs found in this folder moved to photo box 034-, 11/20/2006. No identification on the photos. Images probably used in various publications from the department, and perhaps in the slide show, but not specifically identified to any of those titles to date.

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- 9 166.5 Let in the Sunlight : Michigan's Heritage of Health from 1873 to the present / by John R. Cook, Chief, Office of Public Health Information, Michigan Department of Health. Presented before the Historical Society of Greater Lansing, Oct. 10, 1962.
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- 10 176 Nurses Care.
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178 Nursing Homes: Grand Rapids.
179 Nurses, Instructions In Writing Histories For Patients In TBC Clinic.
180 Nutrition Program.
181 Nursing Services.
182 Nursery Schools.
183 Nursing, Testing Techniques.
184 Office Procedures, 1958-1960.
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186 Peoples' Forum.
187 Personnel.
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Series XXVII. Photographs.

Processing note:

All photographs for the 1960's were numbered sequentially, 1-39, including contact sheets counted as one physical item. However, they are not all housed in the same folder.

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Photos found elsewhere in the collection

Found at 034-9-147 11/2006 (17 items, 16 images. 11/20/2006)

1. 2 copies of b/w 8x10 photos of health care worker taking the blood pressure of an elderly woman. Note: This is a Grand Rapids Press photograph, by Fred Barnes, and permission must be obtained from the Press for use.
2. 1 b/w 8x10 photo of a health care worker (same as in image 1. above, holding an infant, with another woman (mother) bending down. Grand Rapids Press Photo, permission must be obtained from the Press for use.
3. b/w 8x10 copy photo, source unknown, showing a man checking barrels in a field [toxic waste?]
4. b/w 8x10 copy photo, source unknown, showing a man with a back pack riding a bicycle, perhaps in front of the Health Department building.
5. 2-83 3.5x5 b/w snapshot of a meeting with 6 people at a table, and others in an audience facing the table.
- 10 4.5 x 6.5 b/w photos
6. Man posting a "condemned" sign on a house. Also a transparency for this item.
7. Two men talking about a computer printout, two spider plants hanging on either side.
8. Two men consulting at a desk over a map. Poster with dog "Heartworm Life Cycle" hanging on the wall.
9. Woman standing at a table with food examples on plates, cups. Nutrition demonstration?
10. Woman talking with teen at door to house, snow on ground.
11. Class room setting. Audiology testing? Woman seated at table with boy wearing head phones.
12. Woman weighing infant on scales.
13. Health care working giving injection in arm of man (African American).
14. Eye testing. Class room setting. Boy (African American) looking in equipment similar to that used for eye tests for driver's license. Woman and girl looking on.
15. Woman with flashlight, notepad and testing devices checking stock, or checking the storage environment?

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Series XXVII. Photographs.

Prints from Glass Slides given to the GRPL (14 copy prints)
1997.023 Added 11/20/2006

Note: Some of these images are also found at 185-3-67, documented there as 1930's era.

1. American Laundry & Cleaners sign near Sycamore S.E. Street sign. With Marquee sign: K.O. Polio Oral Vaccine this Saturday. Brick building in the background.
2. Health inspection. Interior view, man in suit checking equipment.

Note: The following twelve (12) items have a typed caption explaining the image. Image probably dated earlier than two above.

3. Unidentified house with boarded up doors, next to unidentified institutional building.
4. Unidentified business building with several doors, and perhaps living above. "Condemned".
5. "These structures are now occupied by four families, all with children; the inside is in keeping with the outside. Each structure brings in about \$25.00 rent per month."
6. Bathroom. \$8.00 per month home. Sink chair, toilet.
7. Groups of homes served by toilets in barns or sheds, with two out house stalls illustrated.
8. Outside toilet accommodations for several families on Ottawa Avenue.
9. Toilet on raised platform in basement.
10. Other unidentified space in basement. "Three children sleep about this semi-basement which is filled with water the year round".
11. Kitchen?, with table and chair at left. Oval mirror or illustration hanging on the back wall. Plaster falling from ceiling. "Interior of home on West Side".
12. Kitchen with stove, shelving behind on the right, a man standing but not seen due to fading to left, a table/chair bottom right. "Four blocks from the downtown section. Rents on an average of \$8.00 a month."
13. Thompson Court interior. Stove by door, table & chair by window, toddler in the foreground at bottom.
14. Two children seated in high chairs at table. Utensils hanging on the wall above the table. A chair left at end of table, and another chair to the right of the door.

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Series XXVII. Photographs.

1964-1968 (14 photos & 2 notecards, Nov. 1999; 15 found 10/18/2003, but 1 item with obvious 1969 date moved to folder 532. The 2 notecards were removed for placement elsewhere, as their contents had nothing to do with the images in this folder, 10/18/2003.)

In Home Care or Consultation:

- .1 Interior. 2 women seated on sofas, one holding an infant, coffee table with various papers & baby bottle. African Americans
- .2 Interior. Man walking in pajamas being assisted by health care worker wearing an apron. Wheelchair, interior furnishings. Neg. 2957
- .3 Exterior. African American & Caucasian women with bags, on steps of house.
- .4 Exterior. Woman in coat with back to camera talking with woman in doorway of home with 2 small children, female & male.

Health Care Workers:

- .5 Interior. Nutrition. "A Guide to Good Eating" poster on wall behind standing woman demonstrating food to 3 seated women.
- .6 "Nursing". "C1581-1" 4 women seated at a square table. Open file card box on far table corner.
- .7 "C1581-3" Man seated with pointer, showing chart to woman, seated, in office.
- .8 "C1581-4" Same woman as above working adding(?) machine, with ruled chart & pencil on desk. Books on desk include "Health progress in the United States, 1900-1960" and "Smoking – Health".

Health care workers with children, at office or school:

- .9 Woman seated at desk with equipment, girl seated next to desk wearing head phones with hand raised. Hearing tests.
- .10 African American woman with infant near scales; woman checking thermometer in male toddlers mouth; woman seated onlooking with female child.
- .11 Woman seated at square table doing paperwork; woman standing talking to female child standing. Brick wall behind.
- .12 Woman with Beltone machine seated in classroom; African American girl wearing earphones raising hand in response to hearing test.

Exteriors, buildings:

- .13 Man in plaid jacket looking at "condemned" sign on building at "722?"
- .14 Unidentified street, 2 story house in poor condition with dark roof & shingles. Corner house at right with arched lattice work over balcony on 2nd floor. 2 story building across side street from corner house at right. "C1581-37"

34 532

Series XXVII. Photographs.

1969 (8 individual photos, 9 sheets of 12, 2 sheets of 8 & 1 sheet of 11,
Nov. 1999. 10/18/2003).

Found in 34-34-531 & moved due to date.

.15 Mar. 1969 calendar hanging near sink. Nurse administering shot(?) to
child seated opposite. Woman onlooking wearing hair curlers under scarf.

Note: In size this photo corresponds more to those in 34-34-531, but the
calendar date is more in keeping with this folder)

Set of snapshots dated March 1969:

Exteriors.

.16-19 4 views of building with "Kent County Health Department" signs
in front.

.16 Cube lower left corner. 3 sets of signs, building, cars in parking lot.

.17-.18 Near view of 3 sets of signs, including Offices, V.D. Clinic,
Alcoholism, rehabilitation, Health education. TB xray, Immunization,
Well child Conference, Family Planning.

.19 Near view of Offices ... sign, with building behind and parking lot at
left.

.20 View of 2 story brick building without the signs. Blemish on image,
including label obstruction in upper left & black dots in upper right.

Interiors:

.21-.22 2 shots of African American woman with male child seated at
desk, when Caucasian health care worker is taking notes.

.23 African American children & woman seated. Health care worker
standing near the woman holding one child, at a desk.

.24 Caucasian health care worker in front of blackboard, bending down to
talk to an African American woman with a sleeping toddler on her lap.

.25-.27 3 view of a man (doctor?) with stethoscope examining a toddler
lying on a table. Female health care worker taking notes. In .27 only an
African American girl at the end of the table is looking at the camera.

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Series XXVII. Photographs.

Contact Sheets. (12, 10/18/2003. Each sheet has multiple images, as annotated below)

.Contact Sheet Nos. 28-39

Summary of overall contents:

. 28 (12 images)

- Portrait photos of health care administrators or workers.
- 4 Building images, Kent County Health Department with
- Interior views of health care worker with infant.

. 29 (12 images)

- Interior views of health care workers with patients.
- 5 Exterior views of various buildings.

. 30 (12 images)

- 3 portrait photos of administrators.
- 2 interiors of staff in meetings, including African Americans
- 1 exterior of man with brief case at gate
- 3 exteriors of various buildings.
- 2 health care workers with infants.

. 31 (8 images)

- 2 exteriors, buildings
- 1 health care worker with children
- 2 health care workers meeting
- 2 health care workers at counter
- 1 ceiling

. 32 (12 images; 1 is too dark to read)

- 1 exterior, building
- 2 interiors, health care worker on home visit
- remaining health care workers in meeting or training.

. 33 (12 images)

- 1 exterior, building with Planned Parenthood, plus John C. Doig Attorney (office)
- 2 exterior with man helping man on the ground near an auto.
- 2 exteriors, health care worker on home visiting
- 7 interiors, health care workers with patients

. 34 (12 images. Some of these duplicate images above.)

- 2 exteriors, buildings
- 1 interior hall wall?
- 2 health care workers in meeting
- 7 health care workers with papers.

Series XXVII. Photographs.

Contact sheets Nos. 28-39 continued. Each contact sheet has multiple images.

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- . 35 (12 images)
 - 2 photos of administrator.
 - 2 man at gate with briefcase.
 - 2 exterior with man crouching at sidewalk
 - 1 student hearing test
 - 2 students vision test
 - 1 exterior with crane near building.
 - 1 health care worker with elderly
 - 1 health care worker with infant
- . 36 (12 images)
 - Duplicates of images above.
- . 37 (12 images; 1 too dark to read).
 - Duplicates of images above.
- . 38 (12 images)
 - All or part duplicates of images above.
- . 39 (8 images)
 - 1 health care work at counter with two people and infant (not seen).
 - Others duplicates of images above.

Series XXVII. Photographs.

Photographs for the following folders are numbered within the folder where they reside.

- 34 533 1972: 15 photos (17 fnd. Labeled "6-72" in red ink, 2/23/2006 + 1 of a different size w no date which may not belong)
- 34 534.1 1973 (130 photos total, sorted into the folders below.)
January (10 photos)
534.2 February (12 photos)
534.3 March (41 photos)
534.4 April (17 photos)
534.5 May (8 photos)
Includes interiors of Planned Parenthood exhibit at area mall.
534.6 June (14 photos)
Note: Other June 1975 photographs have been found in the folder below marked "Photographs. Administration. 1975." Some of the images may duplicate, but others are unique.
534.7 July (11 photos)
534.8 August (7 photos)
534.9 Oct.-Dec. 1973 (5 photos)
Note: There are additional photos labeled 10/73(5), 11/73(7) and 12/73(9) in the folder below marked "Photographs. Administration."
- x 535 1974: 18 photos & 6 slides
- x 536.1 1975: (66 photos in total sorted into the folders below)
May (19 photos)
536.2 June (28 photos)
536.3 July (11 photos)
- 34 537 1976: 5 photos
Note: 4 items found, 3/23/2006. 3 are photographic prints, 1 a negative.

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Series XXVII. Photographs.

Administration. 69 total

- 2 printed July 1964.
- 2 printed Apr. 1965.
- 8 printed March 1966.
- 3 printed Apr. 1967.
- "C1084" set, numbers 27, 47, 48
- "C1581" set, nos. 5 & 6
- 14 label "68" in red ink in reverse.
- 21 labeled 10/73(5), 11/73(7), or 12/73(9)
- 1 crinkles snapshot of an older man seated at a desk, coat racket at left.
- 1 print w/o borders of 3 adults standing consulting papers with children seated at a table in the foreground.
- 1 woman with "A guide to Good Eating" poster on wall behind, demonstrating food to seated group. "pg. 16" on verso suggests use in a publication (unidentified).
- 1 3 copies of image of man and woman at a Tuberculosis chart, clock at 11:25 in background.
- Michigan Dept. of Health, Lansing. photo. "774-26". Group seated at table. Rendering of "Proposed City County Public Health Center" on wall near door in background.
- Michigan Dept. of Healt, Lansing, photo. "774-14". Women, most seated near desks.' "Public Health Nurse Salary Steps" chart on bulletin board left.
- Kent County Sewage Disposal Problem chart on wall with man viewing.
- 2 "HDA Health Department Approved" images.
- 2 images of group seated at table, one man standing, one image with easel in foreground.
- Anti-Polio image possibly in Sunday paper in 1963. Betty, and Ealry(?) Lyons. Images shows two one with boxes of publications, and others standing to the ceiling. Woman holding the towering stack is African American.

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- 34 538.5 Misc. items, perhaps Administration, found misfiled elsewhere. (4
2/23/2006)
1. 1 printed Apr. 1967
 2. "C1581" set no. 8
 3. "1972" in red on reverse. Two men standing on either side of Gov.
Miliken(?)
 4. Group seated at table. Certificates, photos, and an architectural floor
plan hanging on the wall. Verso ID:
 5. Gerald De Ruiter
 6. Robert Broersma
 7. R. Jack Chase, M.D.
 8. Thomas Lamoreaux
 9. Mrs. Mary Zwaanstra
 10. W.B. Prothro, M.D.

Series XXVII. Photographs.

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Administration (15 2/23/2006)

1. March 1966 print of two women working at microfilm readers.
2. Older 8x10 print of two women working at a microfilm reader.
3. -4. Two views of office with a desk with "Vital Statistics" sign. Same women in front two desks in both images. One images has two women looking at a chart with a man. One photo has been bent overs at the top causing damage. Another has stamp on reverse of Michigan. Dept. of Health. "774-4".
5. U. of Michigan students of Asian or other ethnic background talking with Grace Eldering, lab technician seated working in foreground.
Note: The remaining images in the folder include Dr. W.B. Prothro, alone or in a group.
6. "68" Seated at desk.
7. Seated at desk, with man standing right, looking at a publication.
8. With 3 health trainees, looking at wall chart.
9. Standing near desk with "Communicable Diseases in Kent county 1921-1960 chart. Sign on desk identifies him. Certificates on wall give name as "Winston Boone Prothro". "C1342-2".
10. Mich. Dept. of Health photo. "C774-2". "Grand Rapids Health Officer" Prothro standing near chart mounted on wall ... "Leading Causes of Death, 1921-1950".
11. Seated at desk, talking on telephone.
12. Seated at desk with pencil in hand, name plate on desk.
13. Seated at desk with pen in hand, name plate on desk, partial view of chart on wall.
14. "C1084" no. 49. Dup. of image in folder above, group with easel in foreground.
15. Mich. Dept. of Health photo. Group seated at table with projection screen behind Prothro. Mostly loose from mounting board.

- Series XXVII. Photographs.**
- 34.5 540 October 1939 (1 photo, 2/23/2006)
Group.
Back row:
- Dr. Brook
 - Dr. Sullivan
 - Mr. Bauma
 - Mr. Berger
- Front row:
- Myrtle Huddleston
 - Catherine Carmady
 - Anne Sullivan
 - Hazel Vanderwall
 - Lyla Van Fleet
 - June Emmons
 - Frances Beal
 - Tillie Carlson
- 34.5 541 1975 (33 photos, 2/23/2006)
- Set of photos dated "6-3-75" in red. (7)
 - Set of photos dated "6-5-75" in red. (15)
 - Set of photos dated "6-12-75" in red, found misfiled elsewhere and placed in this folder 2/23/2006. (11)
- 34.5 542 Adult Health: 78 photos
Divided into the 3 folders below 10/18/2003.
- 34.5 542.1 Research, Lab & Support Services (14, 10/18/2003, 2/23/2006)
- "663" set, nos. 2, 4, 8, 10, 44
 - no. 2, Group image in office, includes Loney Clinton Gordon (African American) far left, and Grace Eldering seated center, outside Michigan women in the development of the Whooping Cough vaccine.
 - Grace Eldering at microscope.
 - May 1957, Michigan's Health. [publication citation?] Shows a man doing lab work.
 - Two photos by Vernon E. Taylor. National Institutes of Health, Photographic Research Section, FSA-PHS.
 - "7901" Lab work
 - "7918". "Lactobacillos acidophilus Studies of Grand Rapid's children. A part of the local flouridation experiment".
 - "K.O. Polio, 1963". Health care worker placing packets of items inside equipment.
 - Ms? Gibbs. Polio Test needle set up.
 - Laboratory Services.
 - 2 images printed April 1965.
 - 2 images printed April 1967.

Series XXVII. Photographs.

34.5 542.3

Adult Health (48, 10/18/2003)

- 2 Robinson Studio photos.
- "C1084" set, nos. 37, 38, 39
- 8x10 print of "C1084" no. 38
- "C1137" set, no. 7
- "C1581" set, no. 17
- "C1341" set, nos. 10 & 11
- Sept. 10, 1956. Grand Rapids Junior College students being stamped to verify they have had TB skin tests and chest xrays. First time tests and xrays have been required. RN is Mrs. Gerald Millard. Dr. John E. Tirrell President of College standing behind her at right.
- Venereal Disease educational session, E. Bayer instructor. n.d.
- Another group image in same setting.
- "622-10" TB Skin test check?
- "622-11" Chest xray
- Mich. Dept. of Health. "774-9" chest xray.
- Mich. Dept. of Health. "774" set, nos. 6, 8, 36. No. 36 is identified as the "Home for the Aged".
- Another image identified as the "Home for the Aged"
- "C1137" set, no. 14. Mich. Dept. of Health. Appears to depict home health care for aged.
- Mich. Dept. of health. 3 people seated at desk.
- Mich. Dept. of Health. Interior view of living area with three elderly women.
- 6 prints made April 1965.
- 8 prints made March 1966.
- 4 prints made April 1967.
- 2 copies of photo of woman in hospital type bed, with two health care workers looking on.
- Interior, Dining space, elderly care facility.
- Two women at table with artificial flowers
- Young at Heart Dance. Elderly.
- Elderly woman seated, being helped by two health care workers.
- Home visit, woman with two children and healthcare worker.

Series XXVII. Photographs.

- 34.5 542.5 Childrens' Health (12, 10/18/2003, 2/23/2006)
- 2 stamped Robinson Studio
 - "C1084" set, nos. 1 & 2.
 - "C907" set, nos. 9 & 10.
 - 3 printed April 1965.
 - 3 with different men giving shots to different children, various unknown dates.
- 34.5 543 Alcoholism (31 previously listed. 20 items, but one board has 12 images. 3/18/2003)
- Scene from movie "Our of Orbit"
 - "C1084" set, nos. 42 & 43.
 - "C1581" set, no. 7.
 - 2 prints April 1965.
 - Nurse with can of Sexton Orange Juice standing at open refrigerator with two women.
 - Three men near sign "Help Prevent Alcoholism"
 - Card with "1970" in red at top, 12 photos attached, which are also found elsewhere above.
 - 11 Wallace Studio photos of unidentified banquet.
- 34.5 544 Annual Report, 1966 (21 photos, 23 fnd. 10/18/2003 and 02/23/2006)
Items appear to be cut from contact print sheets.
- 34.5 545 Annual Report: 27 photos (26 images attached to 2 sheets found 10/18/2003)
- "1972" in red on one sheet of 9 images.
 - "1971 Annual Report" at top of one sheet of 17 images.
- 34.5 546 Annual Report, 1971. Mostly contact sheets cut into smaller pieces. (12 individual photos, 17 sheets of 3, & 3 sheets of 2, 10/18/2003 & 2/23/2006 = 32 Sheets w multiple images)
- 35 547 Condemned Housing: 23 photos (22 fnd. 3/27/2006)
- 547.5 Dental Clinic: 26 photos & clipping (1 item is two 8x10 photos, before & after, taped together. Spielmacher photos. The graphic clipping is from an unidentified source which appears to have nothing to do with GR).
- 35 348 Exhibits. (32 photos, 3/27/2006)
- 35 548.5 Environmental Health. (15 items, 3 are composite sheets w multiple items glued on including 1 of 6, 1 of 7 & 1 of 12. 6 + 7 + 12 + 12 loose = 37 photos)
- 35 549 Food Industry. (12 photos)
Appear to be bakery, dairy and meat packing facilities.

Series XXVII. Photographs.

- 35 550 Garbage: 13 photos (14 fnd. 3/27/2006; some ca. 1950's, others labeled "10-73",
- 35 551 Health Check-Ups: 57 photos (60 fnd. 3/27/2006)
Need file locations marked on photos.
- 2 labeled 6-73
 - 5 labeled 10-73
 - 3 labeled 11-73
 - 1 labeled 11-76
 - 11 labeled in black "68"
 - 11 labeled in red "68"
 - 3 labeled "C1581-15, 16, & 22"
 - 2 labeled "C1084"
 - 13 with no dated which appear to be numbered as part of a set.
 - 3 printed Aug. 1964.
 - 1 printed Apr. 1965.
- 35 552 Health Education. (23 photos, 3/27/2006)
- 35 553 Health Lectures. (6 photos; 7 fnd. 3/27/2006)
- 2 labeled "68"
 - 5 labeled 12-73
- Need file locations marked on photos.
- 35 554 Inspections: 72 photos
[Note: This folder divided into several folders, 3/27/2006]
- 35 554.0 (23, 3/27/2006)
- 554.1 Plant, Drug & lab inspection images. (14 3/27/2006)
- 554.2 Meat Inspection (11, 3/27/2006)
- 554.3 Dairy Inspection (18, 3/27/2006)
- 554.4 House, Septic, etc. Inspection (6, 3/27/2006)
- 23 + 14 + 11 + 18 + 6 = 72 items.
- 36 555 MAAA, 1972: 37 photos
- 556 MCH: 89 photos
- 557 MCH: 33 photos
- 558 MDDH File: 6 photos
- 559 Michigan Tuberculosis Association: 1 photo
- 560 Nursing: 16 photos
- 561 Occupational Health: 8 photos

Series XXVII. Photographs.

- 36 562 Pasteurizing: 7 photos, 5 posters
563 Polio: 21 photos
564 Polio Vaccines. Kent County Health Dept. (4 photos)
1. View of sign atop building on SE corner of Division & Fulton.
The permanent part of the sign has: Davenport Institute ...
guidance, training, placement. The event given on the sign is : K
O Polio | Saturday | Sept 21. Also visible are signs on the front of
the building 1) Stone's Shoes 2) Ston'es Fashion Shop ...”
- In the foreground at right is a near view of the center portion of the Civil
War Monument between Division, Fulton & Monroe. Lettering on the
monument reads: In Honor of our(?) Soldiers from Kent county
1861-1865. Erected 1885.
- 2.
- 565 Dr. Prothro and Fay Dellons Retirement, Dec 9, 1976: 7 photos
- 36 566 Rehabilitated Apartment Building: 1 photo
567 Rest Period in Open Window Room: 2 photos
568 Restaurants: 8 photos
569 School Health Examinations: 15 photos
570 Senior Citizens Home: 15 photos
571 Sewage: 12 photos
572 Miscellaneous: 6 individual photos, 1 sheet of 2, 7 sheets of 3.

Non-Photographic Materials Images

Contained here are non-photographic items or published images, or
images in other formats that are not actually photographs, culled from the
photo folders in Boxes 34-36, Oct. 2003.

- 36.5 x 2 descriptive cards, perhaps label cards, which may have once
accompanied a specific image, but were no longer found with images that
matched the words.
- 36.5 x “Bottle washing” graphic clipping, source unknown.

Glass Lantern Plates

- 37 Nos. 1-8
38 Nos. 9-16
39 Nos. 17-23

Series XXVIII. Scrapbooks.

- 40 x Clippings, unidentified, 1956-1964?, [front cover marked Crumbine Award
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 - El Paso City, County Health Unit, 1943.
- 42 x Health Department News Releases, appearing in County newspapers
- July-Dec. 1962
 - Jan.-June 1963
 - July-Dec. 1963
 - 1957, 1958, 1960, 1961 and Jan.-June 1962
 - 1964
 - 1965
 - 1952-1954 Unidentified (perhaps G.R. Press
- 43 x Kent Co. Health Dept. Clippings, not including GR Press
- Jan. 1966-July 1974
- 43 Kent Co. Health Dept. Clippings / Grand Rapids Press
- Nov. 1969-May 1973
 - June 1, 1976-
- 44 Confidential Papers / This material is Closed. No Use Permitted at This Time.

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