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HEALTH DIVISION ORGANIZATION

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In his opening remarks and his introductions of the six Group Leaders in the Health Division, Dr. Shipman presented the philosophy that at Los Alamos the Health Division exists for the primary purpose of safeguarding and protecting the health and safety of the individual workers of the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory. At Los Alamos the various Groups of the Health Division have undertaken a co-ordinated plan for attaining this objective. The Industrial Medical Group, with its intimate contacts with the individual, depends on the supporting functions of the Safety, Monitoring, and Industrial Hygiene Groups. These three, in turn, require the support of the Biomedical Research and the Radiologic Physics Groups as they get into new or unusual problems. A not inconsiderable amount of research and development, much of it along basic and fundamental lines, is a very welcome by-product. The work of the six Groups in the Health Division is aided by the relative absence of organizational barriers and the total output of the Division is a collaborative effort in the truest sense of the word.

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