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Mr. Marshall Whisnant
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 of the Methodist Church
 Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37830

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Subject: ARRANGEMENTS WITH OAK RIDGE HOSPITAL OF THE METHODIST CHURCH - CLINICAL ACTIVITIES OF ORAU MEDICAL DIVISION

Dear Mr. Whisnant:

Pursuant to discussions held with your office by our Assistant Director Paul M. Elza over the past several days, this is to request services of your Hospital and to give notification of changes necessary in our Purchase Order # C-77740 and Subcontract #30.

ORAU plans to terminate October 18, 1974 the clinical program providing bed care for patients. We now have three patients in our hospital who will require continuing hospital care for an indefinite period. To assist us with this matter through next June 30th your hospital is requested to accept these patients for hospitalization upon admittance by our medical staff who will continue to direct their care as admitting physicians. This category of patients is not expected to exceed a total of five. The patients would be admitted in your hospital's regular manner and will be subject to usual and customary charges which are to be collected from the patient to the extent they may now have hospitalization or Medicare coverage. ORAU will pay Oak Ridge Hospital of the Methodist Church, upon receipt of itemized invoices, all normal and customary charges not collectible from the patients. It is understood that patients and physicians would conform fully with your hospital policies and procedures.

In addition to the bed patients our staff will continue to see out-patients, a few of whom may require brief hospitalization from time to time. Our medical staff will schedule these one- to four-day hospital periods for the latter part of the week. Charges would be handled as described above.

Our clinical medical staff is composed of the following physicians:

Gould A. Andrews, M.D.
 Francis A. Goswitz, M.D.
 Helen Vodopick Goswitz, M.D.

C. Lowell Edwards, M.B.
 Karl Hubner, M.D.

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ORAU patients would be admitted by these physicians and patient care would be under their direction in the same manner as admitting physician for any patient of the hospital. It is our understanding that Drs. Francis A. Goswitz and Helen Vodopick Goswitz are under review for admittance to full staff privileges. Drs. Andrews and Edwards have served as consultants to the hospital medical staff. It is requested that the five physicians listed be extended privileges for admitting patients to the Oak Ridge Hospital of the Methodist Church.

Our Purchase Order #C-77740, dated March 27, 1974, with your hospital provides for dietary services, special laboratory and pharmaceutical services, and other special hospital services. All items covered by this Purchase Order, except item 5 - the provision of steam for heat and sterilization, are cancelled effective October 18, 1974. The steam services will need to be continued for an indefinite time into the future. We request that you supply us with a quoted rate per 1000 pounds of steam used and suggest that the rate include an amount to cover your general and administrative services. Upon receipt of this quotation we will issue a new purchase order to cover the steam services and will cancel Purchase Order #C-77740.

Our Subcontract #30, entered into March 8, 1974, provides that ORAU will extend various diagnostic services in nuclear medicine to your hospital. Our capability to provide all services listed and performed in the past will be substantially reduced. Some services we will however be able to continue. For this reason we suggest that your hospital check with our medical staff prior to commitment regarding arrangements for services under this Subcontract.

Some staff association with our clinical activity will be given notice of reduction-in-force to take effect shortly after October 18, 1974 and it appears most of these people prefer to remain in Oak Ridge. We will be pleased to furnish, on your request, personnel information on them so that you may offer employment to any your operation may need.

We shall look forward to hearing from you regarding the acceptability of the arrangements outlined as soon as convenient in order that our planning may proceed in an orderly manner. Your cooperation and assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Original Signed by
Philip L. Johnson

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Executive Director

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