

APPENDIX

Questionnaire Sent

ASSOCIATION OF HOSPITAL & INSTITUTION LIBRARIES

A Division of the American Library Association (Chicago)

Dear

The Committee on Bibliotherapy, of the Association of Hospital and Institution Libraries is conducting a questionnaire survey in an attempt to clarify the nature and specific purposes of bibliotherapy as interpreted by librarians, educators, psychologists, physicians and other interested individuals. Primarily, the purposes are: to obtain a consensus of what bibliotherapy is and can do; to provide a statement on the definition and use of bibliotherapy with patients in all types of hospitals and institutions.

Because of your interest in the effects of reading on people, we are asking you to answer the following questions. You are encouraged also to add your comments, qualifications or suggestions. We will be grateful for your cooperation.

Please answer yes or no to each statement below.

Bibliotherapy is:

1. any form of library service offered by a librarian to patients.

Comment:

2. any form of reading for character formation (in hospitals, schools, etc.)._____

Comment:

3. group reading activity with patients, initiated and conducted by a librarian (or other) not in association with a member of the medical staff._____

Comment:

4. group reading activity with patients, conducted by a librarian in association with a member of the medical staff._____

Comment:

5. a request for a specific title or type of reading for a patient by a medical staff member to the librarian, who fills the request and reports back to the physician._____

Comment:

Kindly return the questionnaire to me immediately.

Ruth M. Tews, Chairman
Committee on Bibliotherapy
Mayo Clinic Library
Rochester, Minnesota

This Page Intentionally Left Blank