

Nursing Library Budgets: the second tranche of P2K courses

One committee member has heard from an impeccable source that very few institutions within the P 2000 second tranche actually entered bids for additional monies for their libraries! Why was this?

- * Were bids from librarians rejected by college principals?
- * Did librarians actually request college principals to enter a bid?
- * Did higher authorities outside of the colleges refuse to accept bids for library developments within this tranche?

- * Do people think that nursing libraries can support the new curriculum without additional funding?

If members have any information concerning this situation or about the more recent round of budget requests for the third tranche etc, the NISG Committee would like to hear about this. Please contact Christine Hardaker, the NISG Chairperson, in complete confidence, with any relevant information.

Research study of ENB pilot schemes

In September 1989, Sheila Collins completed a three year research study of the process of implementing change in the nursing curriculum in the ENB Pilot Schemes. In occasional paper - Nursing Times vol 86, 31, 30 - 33 August 1990 - Dr Collins highlights the fundamental issues that arose - with particular relevance for Project 2000 courses, e.g. the need for a new organisational framework, with equal partnership between participating in-

stitutions preparing for change. The curriculum context, the unique social milieu, where plans are implemented is the crucial factor in the process of implementing change. Her unpublished doctoral thesis, Curriculum innovation in response to 'The Future pattern of Basis General Student Nurse Training/Education' is now in the library at the ENB, and at the University of Surrey.

Project 2000 funding

Project 2000 is to get £71 million in 1991/2. This is more than double the 1990/1 allocation. It is expected that it will be possible to start 14 new Project

2000 schemes which would mean that by the end of 1991/2 over half the colleges of nursing in England had been approved for Project 2000.