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## SMALL HOSPITALS, REST HOMES TO BE TOPICS OF PHARMACEUTICAL WORKSHOP

MISSOULA --

"Pharmaceutical Services for Small Hospitals and Nursing Homes" will be the overall discussion theme of a pharmaceutical workshop on the University of Montana campus June 21-23, according to Dr. Raymond J. Bennett, associate professor of pharmacy at UM and program director for the workshop.

The workshop, which is limited to 55 persons will include, according to specifications of the Higher Education Act of 1965 grant, 15 pharmacists, 15 nurses, 15 hospital administrators and 10 observers.

The primary purpose of the workshop, said Bennett, is to provide better health services to institutionalized patients, which includes fast and efficient pharmaceutical services.

Other objectives, the director said, include the following.

1) To provide the workshop participants with information related to drug distribution in the institutionalized setting and to provide them an opportunity to discuss mutual problems.

2) To furnish the participants with reference materials and guidelines and others with tape recordings of the workshop proceedings which would be of value to them in developing systems to implement professional services such as pharmacy in their institutions.

More than a half-dozen experts in various pharmaceutical fields relating to small hospital and rest home care are scheduled to speak and lead discussions.