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### 30 NURSES TO STUDY AT UM IN HEART PROGRAM

MISSOULA---

Thirty registered nurses from Montana, Idaho and Wyoming will participate Wednesday morning (Nov. 6) in a symposium on intensive coronary care at the University of Montana.

The morning session Wednesday, which is part of a two-week program under way at St. Patrick Hospital, Missoula, is administered by the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) under the Mountain States Regional Medical Program (MSRMP).

Coronary care training is one of three health programs planned for strengthening health care in a four-state region which includes Montana, Idaho, Nevada and Wyoming. The MSRMP coronary program at St. Patrick is the third involving medical personnel in recent months. Previous sessions were for physicians.

The nurses will spend Wednesday morning on the University campus in a physiology laboratory in the Health-Sciences Building at UM, where they will work with heart-pacing and defibrillation equipment as well as continue with the practical cardiac training obtained earlier in the week at St. Patrick.

Following the Nov. 4-15 sessions at St. Patrick, the nurses will spend one week between Nov. 15-Dec. 1 at one of five hospitals in the state for bedside experience under the supervision of coronary care nurses at the various units.

The five hospitals where the nurses will continue their cardiac training include St. Patrick; Billings Deaconess Hospital and St. Vincents Hospital, Billings; and Columbus Hospital and the Montana Deaconess Hospital, Great Falls.

The University is providing space and several personnel for the symposium on campus. Dr. E.W. Pfeiffer, UM zoology professor, is in charge of the physiology laboratory aspects of Wednesday's campus session.

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Assisting him will be Gary M. Matson, a UM graduate student from Omaha, Neb. and William W. Morrelles, UM zoology preparator.

Several Missoula physicians will present medical aspects of the program at UM. They are Dr. James E. Gouaux, Dr. Richard D. Weber, Dr. Gerald A. Diettert and Dr. Harold A. Braun. Dr. Braun is medical director of the coronary care training program.

Other St. Patrick medical staff members participating in the program include Dr. Vasil P. Czorny, anesthesiologist, and Dr. B.J. McLaverty and Dr. James T. Maddux, pathologists. Also on hand for the program is Mrs. Lillian M. LaCroix, St. Patrick Hospital nursing educator.

Registered nurses from Montana participating in the coronary care training program include Marilyn Eberly, Jacquelyn Stankey, Enid Custer, Roma Krumsick, Elsie Matthies and Coryl Kenison, Missoula; Sister Judith Huntzinger and Janie Cromwell, Helena; Ann Nelson and Ellen Rasmussen, Sidney; Chloe Roosma and Judy Kelly, Hot Springs; Lorenia Wold and Labina Cook, Bozeman; Mary Lou Ballard and Helen Viker, Kalispell.

Also, Elsie Dutzar, Jean Hanson and Edna Joachim, Polson; Beryl McLean, Plentywood; Mona Bone, Red Lodge; Joyce Michael, Jordan; Doris Tanner, Shelby; Carlina Hart, Billings; Christine Baggott, Terry; Betty Weinheimer, Lewistown; Janette Barth, Baker; Jo Ann Lawrenz, Great Falls.

Out-of-state nurses participating in the program include Lois Rinaldi, Kellogg, Idaho, and Virginia Reed, Sheridan, Wyo.

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