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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Emergency regulations adopted by the California Department of Health under the Certificate of Need Law set forth the numbers of CT Scanners, and emergency medical facilities in the state. The impact of these regulations on the places where neurosurgery will be practiced in the future should be obvious to all. CANS will provide public testimony at a hearing conducted by the Department of Health in late February 1977. A full test of that testimony will be incorporated in the next Newsletter. Any CANS member is invited to contact me directly to provide input.

The next CANS activity will occur at the CMA annual meeting in Anaheim. On Sunday, March 6th, a full day scientific session on cerebral vascular disease is scheduled, and on Monday, March 7th, a morning session on neurosurgery will be presented primarily for referring physicians. The CANS Board will meet Sunday evening the 6th of March.

On a personal level, let me assure each California Neurosurgeon that with the implementation of federal and state laws concerning health care, that we are in the thick of it, and that it's getting deeper everyday. Logistics prevent me from consulting each Neurosurgeon concerning policies adopted in behalf of California neurosurgery, however, I am available, and each Director of CANS is available, to receive your comments, and to provide information. Please do not hesitate to participate.

Fraternally,
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