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FROM: John W. Baynes, Chairman
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SUBJ: 1983-84 Annual Report

The purpose of the Health Professions Advisement Committee is to provide continuing academic guidance and professional support to students at the University who plan to pursue postgraduate training in the Health Science areas, to include Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Science, Optometry, Osteopathy and Podiatry. Since 1976 the secretary of this committee, Mr. Melvin T. Davis, has operated from the University Center for Undeclared Majors. During the present year, on dissolution of the Undeclared Majors Program, Mr. Davis transferred to the College of Science and Mathematics where he has continued without interruption to provide advisement to Health Professions students and to serve as secretary to the committee.

During 1983-84 the committee interviewed a total of 44 students who applied to the committee for advisement. Of these students, 37 have already been admitted to professional schools; 33 in Medicine, 3 in Dentistry and 1 in Podiatry. This represents an 84% success rate in placing our qualified graduates in Health Sciences programs. These students were accepted at Johns Hopkins, Ohio University and the University of North Carolina, as well as the Medical University of South Carolina and the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. Comparative statistical data for the committee since 1976 are summarized below:

<u>Academic Year</u>	<u>Number of Advisees</u>	<u>Number Accepted To Professional Schools</u>	<u>%</u>
1976-1977	48	30	62.5
1977-78	47	41	87.2
1978-79	49	42	85.7
1979-80	53	43	81.1
1980-81	37	26	70.3
1981-82	46	38	82.6
1982-83	39	31	79.5
1983-84	44	37	84.1

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As its final action of the year, the committee is reviewing the Recruiting Pamphlet for the Pre-Medicine program. We hope that revisions in the content and improvement in distribution of this brochure will enhance the attractiveness of the University to Health Science Majors.

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