Dr. Frank J. Rauscher Accepts Post With ACS As Senior Vice President

Dr. Frank J. Rauscher, Jr., has resigned as Director of the National Cancer Program and of NCI to accept the position of Senior Vice President for Research of the American Cancer Society, New York City, effective Nov. 1.

In his letter of resignation to President Ford, he expressed his appreciation for the support of the National Cancer Program by the President and Congress. It is the “most visible, emotional and important program in the biomedical history of this Nation,” Dr. Rauscher said.

President Ford accepted the resignation with regret and “with special gratitude for your outstanding service to our Nation.”

Dr. Donald S. Fredrickson, NIH Director, stated that Dr. Rauscher has been an effective leader of the National Cancer Program and that “the challenge to cancer has benefited from his devoted service.”

Dr. Rauscher received his Ph.D. from Rutgers University in 1957. In 1969, he began working at NCI as a virologist in the Laboratory of Viral Oncology. He became head of the Viral Oncology Section, chief of the Viral Leukemia and Lymphoma Branch, and then scientific director for Etiology.

His work in virology resulted in his discovery of the Rauscher Leukemia Virus, which causes lymphoid leukemia in mice and rats in a comparatively short time.

More People Giving, People Giving More, Kickoff Theme as CFC Opens Here Today

The Combined Federal Campaign at NIH opens today (Oct. 5) and ends Oct. 29 with the major emphasis this year on increasing employee participation.

The CFC has exceeded its quota—employee participation has dropped steadily—from 71 percent in 1973, to 65 percent in 1974, and 60 percent last year.

Full participation is spelled out in this year’s theme, “MORE PEOPLE GIVING, and people giving more.”

This Year’s Goal Set

The goal for NIH employees is $234,194. Last year’s quota was $189,400, with NIH contributing $204,326 or 103 percent of the original goal. The average gift was $35.11 from 5,819 employees.

The total Federal Government goal this year is $97.7 million, with HEW’s share being $714,008.

Dr. Donald S. Fredrickson, NIH Director, is again chairman of the drive, and Dr. Donald B. Tower, NINCDS Director, is vice-chairman. Jean Oliver, NINCDS, is CFC coordinator, and Tony Anastasi, NCI, is again publicity chairman.

“We want to stress three important points this year,” said Dr. Fredrickson. “First, full participation by employees; secondly, the difference between this year’s campaign and past efforts, and finally, more personal contact between CFC workers and employees.”

Labor-HEW Appropriations Bill Veto Is Overridden

Congress approved the conference report on the Labor-HEW appropriation bill for Fiscal 1977 on Sept. 17 and it was vetoed by the President on Sept. 29.

A copy of NIH’s portion of the appropriation bill, as set forth in H.R. 14232, is on page 4.

As the Record went to press, Congress overrode the veto on Sept. 30.

Dr. Robert Gordon to Be Director’s Special Ass’t, Advise on Clinical Trials

Dr. Robert S. Gordon, Jr., has returned to NIH as Special Assistant to the Director after completing his Master of Health Sciences degree in epidemiology at Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health.

Since retiring from the PHS Commissioned Corps in September 1975, the former Associate Director for Clinical Care and Director of the Clinical Center has also been a part-time visiting professor in the Division of Clinical Investigation, Department of Social and Preventive Medicine, in the University of Maryland School of Medicine.

In his new position, Dr. Gordon will serve as a central contact for staff in the Office of the Director in relation to NIH’s involvement in large-scale clinical trials, assisting in assigning priorities.

In addition, he will assist NIH Director Dr. Donald S. Fredrickson by advising on interaction between the Director and B/I/D’s or Committees regarding monetary spending on large-scale clinical trials, numbers involved, and maintaining uniform high quality, given the necessarily limited resources available.

He views his position also as “an (See DR. GORDON, Page 8)
National Library of Medicine staff welcomed four new library associates at a reception on Sept. 8. Their year of training will include a series of lectures, demonstrations, and practical experience (with emphasis on reference and technical services), and individual projects related to developing or managing information systems and services. Patricia Bosma (M.L.S., University of Maryland; B.S. in psychology from Towson State College, Md.), no stranger to NLM, has been here since 1972 as the coordinator for work performed by a company having several contracts with the Library. Rebecca Davidson (M.S.L.S., and A.B. in psychology, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill) for several years was a cataloger at the Wilson Library at U.N.C. and is currently employed as a clerical assistant at the Library. Lou Snyder (M.L.S., Indiana University, B.A. in zoology from Miami University, Ohio) held a graduate assistantship at Indiana University, and her area of concentration—computer applications and information science—will be particularly useful at NLM. Judith Bube (M.S.L.S., University of Southern California, B.A. in telecommunications, California State University at Northridge) worked as a library assistant in serial records maintenance at USC. She became acquainted with MEDLINE while preparing an extensive annotated bibliography on the use of lithium carbonate to treat mental disorders.

**Library Associates Add Skills, Begin NLM Program**

New library associates include, 1 to r: Lou Snyder, Judith Bube, Patricia Bosma, and Rebecca Davidson. Their assignments during the year not only contribute to their professional growth, but also are of practical value to NLM.

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**Graduates May Apply**

Library science graduates, with a master's-level degree by September 1977, are invited to apply for next year's library associate program. Inquiries may be sent to Maxine Hanke, Office of the Associate Director for Library Operations.

**EEO Advisory Council Holds Meeting Open to All Oct. 13**

A meeting of the NIH EEO Advisory Council, open to all NIH employees, will be held Wednesday, Oct. 13, in Wilson Hall, Bldg. 1, from 1 to 3 p.m. Supervisors are encouraged to give interested employees flexibility in work schedules so that they may attend without charge to leave. In addition to asking questions of the Council members, committees, and EEO staff from the floor, written questions may be submitted ahead of time to the Communications Committee chairperson, Arthur Robinson, Bldg. 38, Room M111, by Oct. 8.
Natalie Davis Spingarn Will Discuss Her Book On Research Politics

Natalie Davis Spingarn, author of *Heartbeat: The Politics of Health Research*, will speak at a public information seminar on Wednesday, Oct. 13, at 9:30 a.m. in Bldg. 31, Conference Room 5. *Heartbeat* was published on Sept. 13 by Robert B. Luce, Inc., of Washington and New York. It is a challenging account of the forces acting on the NIH and the changes which influence the scene at NIH, and the political processes which influence the changes.

A seasoned author with a special interest in health care matters, Mrs. Spingarn lives in Washington, D.C. She has had a varied career as a free lance writer, newspaper reporter, and government official.

In her earlier book on the Public Health Service, *To Save Your Life*, won the 1963 Junior Literary Guild Award.

The meeting is one in a regularly scheduled series of seminars for the NIH information community, but limited seating is available at the Oct. 13 session for other interested NIH personnel.

Cleveland String Quartet Plays 1st Concert of FAES Series

The Cleveland String Quartet, an outstanding group of young American string players, will be joined by Robert Sylvester in a performance of a cello quintet by Schubert on Sunday, Oct. 10, at 4 p.m. in the Masur Auditorium.

This is the first of seven concerts in the 1976-77 series sponsored by the Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences. Admission is by ticket only.

Dr. Albert Sabin’s Achievements Acclaimed At Dinner Celebrating His 70th Birthday

Nearly 80 associates and friends of Dr. Albert Bruce Sabin celebrated the distinguished scientist’s 70th birthday on Sept. 11 at a dinner in a Bethesda hotel.

For a tribute to Dr. Sabin, the guests presented him with a “book of letters,” continuing individual reminiscences and anecdotes that expressed their appreciation and fondness. Short speeches acclaiming his achievements were also given by several guests.

Dr. Sabin has been active in medical research for more than 40 years, 30 of which were spent at the Children’s Hospital Research Foundation and the University of Cincinnati.

Served NIH

From 1972 to 1973 he was a Fogarty scholar at NIH. He has also served as a consultant to the National Cancer Institute and as a member of the NIAID Advisory Council.

Currently, Dr. Sabin holds the position of Distinguished Research Professor of Biomedicine at the Medical University of South Carolina.

NIH Requires Autoclaving Of All Infectious Waste

All infectious waste shall be autoclaved before disposal.

The Environmental Safety Branch, Division of Research Services, requests that all employees pay special attention to this NIH requirement.

Policy Detailed

The policy that infectious waste be autoclaved before disposal is specified in the NIH Instruction and Information Memo (ESB 76-2) dated July 15, 1976.

An article printed in the *NIH Record* (Sept. 21, 1976, p. 3) on phasing out of metal trash cans at NIH and their replacement with disposable waste containers did not specify that this requirement continued despite other changes in the waste disposal system.

Annual NCI Safety Symposium To Consider Lab Ventilation

The annual NCI Cancer Research Safety Symposium will be held Oct. 21-22 in the Post Theater at the Frederick Cancer Research Center at Fort Detrick.

The symposium on Laboratory Ventilation for Hazard Control may be of interest to administrators, project directors, safety officers, facility engineers, and architectural and engineering consultants who plan and implement air flow systems in biomedical research facilities.

For further information, contact Leon Idoine at (301) 663-7167.

Arthur McKay Is Now Emergency Coordinator

Arthur G. McKay, formerly assistant chief, Security Management Branch, and chief of the Security Evaluation Section, Division of Administrative Services, has been appointed Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, succeeding Lloyd R. Stewart, who has retired.

Mr. McKay came to NIH in 1963 as an NIH Police investigator. He had 28 years of previous government service as a veteran of World War II and the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, D.C.

In his new position he will coordinate plans concerning supplies, safety, and community aid with State and county governments in the area and with the Federal Emergency Preparedness Office in the Parklawn Bldg.
**NIH Portion of Labor-DHEW Appropriations Bill for Fiscal 1977**

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**Nat'l Capital Area Officials for CFC Campaign Are Named**

The CFC Chairman for the National Capital Area is Richard L. Roudebush, Administrator of the Veterans Administration. HEW Secretary David Mathews is again serving as CFC chairman for the National Capital Area.

Dr. John Ottina, Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, HEW, is serving as vice-chairman, and James Palma is campaign coordinator for HEW, assisted by Ms. Laureen Clarendon.

In the Washington Metropolitan Area, 70.6 percent of the Federal employees participated in the CFC. The average employee gift was $35.46.

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**Noted Cholera Researcher Dr. Robert Phillips Dies**

Dr. Robert Allan Phillips, 70, former director of the Pakistan-SEATO Cholera Research Laboratory in Dacca, East Pakistan—now Bangladesh—died in the Philippines Sept. 20. The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases has been managing the laboratory for NIH since 1962.

A noted cholera researcher and international leader in public health, Dr. Phillips' research led to the development of physiologic solutions for the treatment of cholera, which has reduced the death rate from this disease to less than 1 percent today compared with 40 to 50 percent 20 years ago.

At the Pakistan-SEATO Cholera Research Laboratory he supervised studies including the evaluation of cholera vaccines developed by NIAID and other scientists.

Dr. Phillips retired from the Naval Medical Corps in 1965, after serving as commanding officer of the U.S. Naval Medical Research Unit No. 2 in Taipei, Taiwan, from 1955 to 1965. Previously, he had worked as a physiologist at the Cornell University Medical School and the Rockefeller Institute in New York.

He received his M.D. degree from Washington University in St. Louis, and was the recipient of numerous awards, including the James D. Bruce award from the American College of Physicians, the Lasker award, and the Stitt award.

At the time of his death, Dr. Phillips was studying problems of nutrition in the developing countries.

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**Dr. Maureen Harris Joins NIMADD Kidney Program**

In her new position, Dr. Harris will be engaged in a variety of special studies including analysis of current activities of the Program and long-range planning.

Dr. Maureen Harris has been appointed as special assistant in the Kidney, Urologic, and Blood Diseases Program of the National Institute of Arthritis, Metabolism, and Digestive Diseases.

With Dr. Nancy Cummings, associate director for the Program, and other experts in the field, Dr. Harris will investigate the incidence of kidney and urologic diseases and the demographic characteristics of groups at high risk, in order to assess the extent and impact of these diseases and their implications for public health.

These data, in conjunction with the recent NIMADD evaluation study of nephrology and urology, will be used to plan for future research and training to be supported by the Institute.

Dr. Harris earned a B.S. in chemistry from George Washington University in 1964, a Ph.D. in biochemistry from Yale University in 1968, and a Masters in Public Health from Johns Hopkins School of Public Health in 1976.

From 1968 to 1970 she conducted research on ribosome structure/function relationships in NIMADD's Laboratory of Biochemical Pharmacology, before joining the Fogarty International Center.

As health scientist administrator in the FIC's Conference Program she developed and administered a series of seminars and workshops on a variety of biomedical research topics. These meetings were designed to foster international collaboration in health and to stimulate promising new research.
Corrections to the Federal Campaign

The Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) has opened for the 13th year of the United Way campaign, which runs from October 13 to November 15. The campaign is sponsored by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) and is aimed at raising funds for charitably designated projects.

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Workshop to Investigate New Tests to Detect Mutations in Mammals

A workshop on mammalian mutagenesis is being organized at the Jackson Laboratory in Bar Harbor, Maine, Oct. 6-8, by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences.

The emphasis will be on developing new improved test systems to detect and assess mutations, or changes in the genetic material, in mammals. The primary concern will center on systems that measure or assess heritable changes.

At present, only a few test methods are available for assessing mutations in mammals. These methods are inefficient and do not permit the needed broad testing of new chemical compounds and hazardous agents being introduced into our environment daily.

More Tests Needed

In general, current methods are costly and uncover only a limited part of possible mutagenic events in mammals. Because of increasing exposure, it is urgent that more efficient mammalian test systems be developed.

These tests must cover the important parts of the mutagenic spectrum and, at the same time, retain the characteristics of reliability, reproducibility, and sensitivity.

The 3-day workshop, organized by Dr. William Sheridan of NIEHS and Dr. T. H. Roderick of the Jackson Laboratory, will bring together scientists who are developing test methods with others in related fields whose expertise might lead to new methodologies.

Participants will include scientists involved in mammalian genetics, as well as those concerned with biochemical and immunogenetics, embryology and development, cytogenetics, quantitative genetics, and behavioral genetics.

The workshop is not intended to focus on methods already in use. Instead, participants are responsible for providing information on test methods in development or contemplated for development.

For more information, contact Dr. Sheridan, NIEHS Environmental Mutagenesis Branch, on (919) 549-8411, Ext. 3287, or (FTS) 629-3287.

'Learn Not to Burn!' Theme Of Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 3-9, is the time to “Learn Not to Burn!” It is the time to focus on fire safety at home, work, play, and elsewhere.

This week there is a display in the main lobby of the Clinical Center of available fire safe materials. Emergency evacuation drills are also being conducted this week in buildings on the reservation and off campus.

The Health's Angels, NIH's Jogging Club, celebrated their first anniversary by co-sponsoring with the D.C. Road Runners Club a running event open to NIH employees and area residents on Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Kangaroo Recreational Center.

Ribbons Awarded

All 106 participants, including many women and children, received blue ribbons for completing a 2-mile Run for Your Life course. The 6-mile run attracted 117 competitors who also received ribbons, and awards donated by a local sporting goods store were given to different classes of runners.

Begun in September 1975 with the objective of encouraging maintenance of physical fitness through jogging, Health's Angels have participated in and sponsored numerous events in their first year.

Fun Runs are held on the first and third Fridays of each month, starting from the Cell Exhibit near Bldg. 1. Some members also participate in monthly Government Intergency runs held at the Tidal Basin.

The year's highlights include: the Washington's Birthday Marathon, the Cherry Blossom 10-mile run, a Bicentennial Run on June 2 at NIH (25 participants in a 1-mile run on campus, and a 13-mile run to the White House).

Women Win First

In a 4-person 25-mile relay sponsored by D.C. Road Runners, NIH entered four teams, the women's team winning first place in that category. Several NIHers competed in a Virginia 10-miler with Frank Shorter, Bill Rodgers, and other famous long distance runners.

A major team event was the Sixth Annual Runners World East Coast 24-Hour Relay held at Fort Meade, Md. Teams of 2-10 runners ran consecutively in a set sequence for 24 hours, with winners designated by the greatest distance covered in that time.

Stamina Shows

The NIH 10-person team finished in 17th place among 31 teams totaling 280 participants. Five of the nine NIHers who finished the event received individual trophies in specific categories.

NIH employees and members of their families are invited to join this active group of jogging enthusiasts by calling Dr. David Young, Ext. 65433, or Jay Miller, Ext. 66941, during the membership drive ending Oct. 15.


NIH Visiting Scientists Program Participants

9/1—Dr. Sten Olof Martin Hellstroem, Sweden, Laboratory of Preclinical Pharmacology. Sponsor: Dr. Erminio Costa, NIMH, WAW Bg., St. Elizabeths Hospital.

9/1—Dr. Gopa Rakshit, India, Pulmonary Branch. Sponsor: Dr. Colin F. Chignell, NHLBI, Bg. 10, Rm. 8N318.

9/2—Dr. Werner Schlegel, Switzerland, Laboratory of Nutrition and Endocrinology. Sponsor: Dr. Martin Rodbell, NIAMDD, Bg. 6, Rm. B126.

9/2—Dr. George Andrews, India, Surgical Neurology Branch. Sponsor: Dr. Choh-Luh Li, NINCDS, Surgical Neurology Branch.

9/7—Dr. Tomasz Kuryl, Poland, Section on Intermediary Metabolism. Sponsor: Dr. Yale J. Topper, NCI, Bg. 10, Rm. 9B18.

9/8—Dr. Maria J. Mazon, Spain, Laboratory of Biochemistry. Sponsor: Dr. Earl R. Stadtman, NHLBI, Bg. 3, Rm. 222.

Visits From Poland

9/8—Dr. Wlodzimierz Sasaki, Poland, Experimental Pathology Section. Sponsor: Dr. Umberto Saffiotti, NCI, Bg. 37, Rm. 3A19.

9/9—Dr. Faizan Ahmad, India, Laboratory of Biochemistry and Metabolism. Sponsor: Dr. William B. Jakoby, NIAMDD, Bg. 10, Rm. 9N109.

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9/12—Dr. Nicola Vesseux, Romania, Biology Branch. Sponsor: Dr. Joseph DiPaoli, NCI, Bg. 37, Rm. 2A13.

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9/12—Dr. Marta Weinstock, Israel and United Kingdom, Laboratory of Clinical Science. Sponsor: Dr. Irwin J. Kopin, NIMH, Bg. 10, Rm. 2D46.

9/13—Dr. Ian R. Hill, United Kingdom, Laboratory of Chemical Physics. Sponsor: Dr. Ira W. Levin, NIAMDD, Bg. 2, Rm. B1-27.

9/13—Dr. Tadaomi Takenawa, Japan, Laboratory of Molecular Aging. Sponsor: Dr. Bertram Sacktor, NIA, Gerontology Research Center, Baltimore, Md.

9/15—Dr. Tonchy Marinovic, Japan, Laboratory of Molecular Biology. Sponsor: Dr. Karl A. Piez, NIDR, Bg. 30, Rm. 130.

Construction Will Change Bus Traffic Patterns

Construction of the planned Ambulatory Care Research Facility on the north side of the Clinical Center will result in the re-routing of buses, since the main entrance to the CC Bldg. 10 around January 1977.

NIH-bound buses traveling south on Old Georgetown Road will enter the reservation by turning left on Center Drive, turn right on South Drive, continuing west back to Old Georgetown Road.

Northbound buses on Old Georgetown Road will turn right into Lincoln Drive, left on Convent Drive to South Drive, right on South Drive to Old Georgetown Road.

Bus stops will be established on both sides of the roadway near the temporary CC entrance, permitting a free flow of traffic while buses load and discharge passengers.

Bus Stops Shift

Bus stops will also be established on both sides of Center Drive in front of Bldg. 1.

Westbound C-2 buses (Wheaton Plaza to Montgomery Mall) will enter from Rockville Pike and proceed on South Drive, cross Old Georgetown Road, and proceed along Greenbriar Road.

Eastbound C-2 buses will follow the pattern of northbound buses from Old Georgetown Road, but turn right on Center Drive to Rockville Pike.

The temporary bus stops will also be relocated to give eastbound buses a better view of the traffic patterns near the CC entrance.

Cited for Hormone Studies

Dr. Wolff, who has been cited for his many outstanding contributions to the biochemistry of the thyroid gland and its hormones, pursued his Ph. D. training at the University of California, Berkeley, under noted physiologist Dr. I. L. Chaikoff.

Their collaborative research resulted in publication of four papers on the temporary blockade of thyroid hormone synthesis by high levels of blood iodine.

This classic study, still recognized as one of the key factors in iodine homeostasis in vertebrates, has become known in thyroidology as the "Wolff-Chaikoff effect."

Come to NIH in 1955

Subsequently, Dr. Wolff received the M.D. degree from Harvard Medical School. Since joining NIH 21 years ago, he has been an independent investigator in the Clinical Endocrinology Branch.

The author of numerous publications, he is a recognized expert on the iodine transport mechanism, the mechanism of TSH action, thyroid cell membranes, and has recently been working on microtubules and tubulin chemistry.

Dr. Jan Wolff, Thyroid Researcher in NIAMDD, Gives Eli Lilly Lecture

Dr. Jan Wolff, associate chief of NIAMDD's Clinical Endocrinology Branch, recently presented the 1976 Eli Lilly Lecture at the national meeting of the Endocrine Society in San Francisco. Sponsored by the Lilly Research Laboratories, the Lectureship is awarded annually for scientific achievement in endocrinology.

Nature sets her gifts on the right hand and on the left ... we cannot seize both, but by too much prudence may pass between them at too great a distance to reach either.—Samuel Johnson.
Howard Kettl Appointed Executive Officer of CC

In recognition of his many achievements at NIH, Mr. Kettl received a DHEW Superior Service Award in 1966, and last year was honored with an EEO award for his contributions to the NIH Equal Employment Opportunity programs.

Mr. Kettl will advise the CC Director on program management, coordinate management of CC programs, and implement policies involving more than 1,850 employees assigned to the 640-bed hospital staff, which includes scientists as well as laboratory and support personnel.

His responsibilities will extend to the new ambulatory care center scheduled to begin construction in January 1977. This 13-story building will provide facilities for treating many more outpatients than are now being seen at the CC. It will also house laboratories for research associated with clinical studies.

NIH is adopting a new sign system that simplifies giving and following directions on the NIH reservation. The system divides the reservation into five geographical zones.

Visitor parking areas, consolidated at each zone, will make it easier for visitors to locate the appropriate parking spaces, for NIH employees to direct visitors to these spaces, and for the NIH Special Police to patrol the visitor parking areas. All spaces previously reserved for visitors will be used for general employee parking.

Visitor parking in the Northeast and Clinical Center zones will become effective Oct. 12. Visitors parking in the remaining three zones will become effective Oct. 18. Visitor parking in lots 10C, 10E, and 1B will be limited to 3 hours. All other visitor parking areas will have a 2-hour limit.

New Signs Direct Visitors to Centralized Parking Areas; Time Limits Now Posted

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Health Insurance Coverage Data Are Reported

About 78 percent of all persons under age 65 had hospital insurance coverage in 1974, and about 76 percent had surgical insurance, according to National Center for Health Statistics data.

Data in Supplement

The data are reported in a supplement to the Monthly Vital Statistics Report, Vol. 25, No. 2.

The percent of persons covered rose with age and income.

For hospital insurance, the proportion covered increased from about 37 percent of those with family incomes of less than $3,000 to about 60 percent of those with family incomes of $5,000 to $6,999, to 92 percent of those with family incomes of $15,000 or more.

Substantially more white persons had hospital coverage than did members of other races, 81 and 58 percent, respectively.

About 44 percent of those with hospital insurance were members of a "blue" plan.

For the population aged 65 and over, 96 percent had Medicare coverage and more than half also had supplementary private health insurance.