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Summary Information

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Biographical/Historical note

The Commonwealth Fund was established in 1918 with an endowment of \$10 million from Mrs. Stephen V. Harkness for "benevolent, religious, educational and like purposes." The early grants supported a variety of programs while generally promoting welfare, especially child welfare. Several grants were made in the field of medical research, but the Board of Directors decided in 1920 that this field was already sufficiently supported by other philanthropic organizations.

Despite this decision, by the mid-1920s the chief interest of the Fund had become public health, including mental hygiene, community health, rural hospitals, medical research, and medical education. Other grant areas included war relief, educational and legal research, child welfare, and international medical fellowships.

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Scope and Contents

Types of records include: administrative and grant files.

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Arrangement note

This series is arranged in 2 subseries:

Subseries 1 Administrative Files

Subseries 2 Grant Files

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File Plan note

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Controlled Access Headings

- United States
- War relief
- Public welfare
- Public health
- New York (State)
- New York (N.Y.)
- Child mental health
- Child psychology
- Child welfare
- Education, Rural
- Mental health
- Hygiene
- Law
- Legal issues
- Legal research
- Medical education
- Medical research
- Medicine, Rural
- Medicine -- Scholarships, fellowships, etc.

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