

# **Exhibit P-107**

Ottawa, May 7, 1956.

Doctor F. Trapp,  
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Dear Doctor Trapp:

Mental Illness in Indians

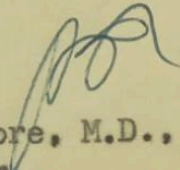
Thank you for your letter of April 28 and for your interest in our Indian health problems.

As far as we know no extensive study on the comparative incidence of the various types of mental illness in Indians and non-Indians has been done in Canada. For this reason we would be reluctant to act as referee in your argument but on the off chance that it may be of assistance to you we can quote you some figures on Indian patient movement in Canadian mental institutions during the calendar year 1955--

Total Indian Population	Patients in Mental Hos- pitals at Beginning of Year	Admissions	Discharges	Transfers Out	Deaths	Patients in Mental Hos- pital at Beginning of Year
154,000	330	140	92	4	21	365

We may say that it is the opinion of physicians who have practiced with both groups that there is no great difference in the incidence of neuroses or psychoses in Indian and non-Indian populations of comparable environment and development.

Yours very truly,

  
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Services.

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