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April 17, 1931

Dr. Virginia M. Alexander
2104 Jefferson Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Dr. Alexander:

In reply to your letter of recent date, may I state that the Fellowship Board was sympathetic with your request for a fellowship and should have been very glad to be able to grant it. It must be confessed that the plan as outlined in your application is not quite in accord with the purpose of the fellowships as planned by the Rockefeller Foundation, through the late Dr. Richard M. Pierce and the Fellowship Board. These fellowships are primarily to aid beginners in research to carry on a year or two with the aid of a fellowship. They are intended for the fundamental work in the pre-clinical sciences, even tho' the recipient anticipates going into clinical work later on.

We had an unusual number of applications for fellowships this past spring, and quite a number of very deserving ones could not be honoured by reason of lack of funds. May I state that I would at any time be glad to be of assistance to you if it is within my power to do so.

Sincerely yours,

G. CARL HUBER
Chairman

Medical Fellowship Board

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April 8, 1931

Doctor Virginia M. Alexander
2104 Jefferson Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Alexander:

It is with regret that I have to write to you that the Medical Fellowship Board did not find it possible to grant you a medical fellowship so that you might undertake the work which you had planned. May I say that the Board expressed sympathy with your program and the Chairman of the Division of Medical Sciences has been instructed to write to the General Education Board with reference to your plans. I hope that it will still be found possible for you to obtain aid for your proposed work.

Sincerely yours,

G. Carl Huber, Chairman
Medical Fellowship Board

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JOSEPH C. DOANE, M. D.

Suite 505, Spruce Street Medical Bldg.
Philadelphia

July 9, 1935

Dr. V. M. Alexander
2104 Jefferson Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Doctor Alexander:

Of all the recompense which a physician receives, I value the type of letter which you wrote me a few days ago as among the finest.

I always had a very keen sense of regard that such a well trained physician as Dr.-----, one who had the capabilities for rendering service which she possessed should have been so stricken.

I can see by your letter that you too appreciate that there are many other things which a doctor must contribute than those furnished by means of a pen and a prescription pad.

Please be assured that if I can be of any further service to you I shall be glad to do so.

Very sincerely yours,

J. C. Doane, M. D.

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DR. FAITH S. FETTERMAN

7047 Germantown Avenue
Philadelphia

February 1, 1933

Dear Dr. Alexander--

Thank you for sending Mrs.----- out. A new examination often proves valuable.

(The next two paragraphs were concerning the patient.)

Thank you also for sending the copy of your admirable little paper. I read it through with interest. You certainly deserve the publicity, because what you are trying to do, and actually accomplishing seems to be the solution. You have chosen a long steep path and we are watching your climb with interest and pride. You are a pioneer, and their lot is never easy. But I know you feel a thrill when you are not too bothered with worries! To realize that you are one of the moulders of a new race--a very gifted race--of as yet unknown possibilities with probably a great contribution to give civilization.

I have spoken to Miss-----, Dr.----- and Mrs. ----- about your patients' feeling toward the Hospital. They regret it, as I do, and hope it will not happen again. We would all like to have more of your patients.

Believe me,

Sincerely your friend,

(FAITH S. FETTERMAN)


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