

tions and nosocomial infections in intensive care patients (Baseline data available in 1990).

HIV INFECTION

13.17. Expand to all states prohibitions on discrimination against people with AIDS or HIV infection to enhance opportunities for early diagnosis and prevention of the spread of infection (Baseline: 25 states in 1989).

Written comments were invited from meeting attendees. Dr. **Mayhall** responded that an objective for the National Nosocomial Infection Study should be included in the section on "Surveillance and Data Systems." He also expressed concern that heavy emphasis on HIV infection and AIDS may have been at the expense of an appropriate level of concern and funding for the control and prevention of nosocomial infections.

There will be a meeting in July 1990 to celebrate the release of the final Year 2000 Health Objectives.

Clinical Epidemiology Fellowship

The Merck Company Foundation and The Society for Epidemiologic Research (**SER**) announce the availability of a fellowship program in clinical epidemiology. Awards will be made to medical schools, schools of public health or other suitable U.S. institutions to support career development for full-time clinical epidemiologists and to foster clinical epidemiologic research and methodology development by junior faculty. The awards are payable at the rate of \$60,000 in year 1, \$63,000 in year 2 and \$67,000 in year 3. It is expected that in general \$10,000 will be used for research, education and other expenses and the remainder for salary.

To be considered for a **Merck/SER** Fellowship, applicants must be full-time doctoral-level members of faculty of a U.S. school of medicine or public health. Preference will be given to persons with not less than two nor more than five years of experience in epidemiology or a related field.

The institution sponsoring the applicant must submit the application. Only two applications per institution will be accepted. Award selection will be made by a Scientific Advisory Committee that has been appointed upon the advice of SER. There will be no representatives from Merck on the Advisory Committee. It is anticipated that two awards will be made annually. The 1990 award will be announced **June 1, 1990**.

Obtain application instructions from, and submit completed application packets to David Savitz, PhD, Department of Epidemiology, **CB#7400** Rosenau Hall, School of Public Health, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27599. The deadline for applications is April 1, 1990.

Membership Application Inquiry:

Mail to: Secretary
Society of Hospital
Epidemiologists of America
% Slack, Incorporated
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NAME: _____

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Doctoral Degree - MD ___ PhD

Date and University: _____

Specify work in hospital epidemiology and related fields: _____

Dates in this position: _____

Related work in the field: _____

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Active Membership
(Calendar year dues \$75)

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