EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER SEVENTY-FOUR

TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

RE: Designation of Boundary of Health Service Area, and the State Comprehensive Health Planning Council

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has recently passed the "National Health Planning and Resources Development Act of 1974" (PL 93-641, dated 1-4-75) amending the Public Health Services Act to assure the development of a national health policy and of effective state and area health planning and resources development programs among other purposes; and

WHEREAS, the achievement of equal access to quality health care at a reasonable cost is a priority of the state and Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, large segments of the public are lacking in basic knowledge regarding proper personal health care and methods for effective use of available health services; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare shall publish within 18 months of the passage of Public Law 93-641 guidelines concerning national health planning policy; and

WHEREAS, the presently existing State Comprehensive Health Planning Council may not be constituted properly within such guidelines;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHERMAN W. TRIBBITT, by virtue of the authority vested in my as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby declare and order the following:

1. In order to facilitate the development of recommendations for a national health planning policy and to develop state planning for health services, manpower, and facilities and to accept financial assistance for the development of resources to further that policy, declare that the existing Comprehensive Health Planning Council established in Executive Order No. Thirty-six, approved by Governor Charles L. Terry, Jr., on August 14, 1968, is hereby abolished and in its place there is created the "Interim Comprehensive Health Planning Council", hereafter referred to as the "Interim Council," to carry out the functions, duties and responsibilities herein described until amended, revised, or canceled by subsequent announcement from this office.
2. The "Interim Council" shall have those responsibilities and duties of the Statewide Health Coordinating Council as is found in Public Law 93-641 and shall be composed as set out in such Public Law and hereafter appointed by the Governor.

3. The "Interim Council" shall have as its area of interest the entire area of the State of Delaware.

4. The Chairman of the "Interim Council" shall be appointed by the Governor.

APPROVED this 10th day of June, 1975

Governor

ATTEST:

Secretary of State