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005 Department of Health and Social Services
006 State Board of Welfare, Board of Charities
140 Sterilization Files
200 1925
210 1987
220 1925-1953, 1980-1987
240 8.03 cf
241 6 cfb, 1 @ 0.47 cf.
261 Case files maintained on requests to have mentally handicapped females and males sterilized to prevent unwanted pregnancies. Most were patients at the Stockley Center and a smaller number from the Delaware State Hospital.
270 Files may include a list of documents in the file, report of physician performing sterilization, certificate authorizing sterilization operations, report of examining commission, correspondence, certificate approving appointment of a commission to examine an individual with a view to sterilization, and case histories.
Case histories show the name, age, birth date, date and reason of commitment, family history of nervous and mental disease, personal history, marital status, children, psychological test results, physical examination results, psychiatric and mental symptoms, diagnosis, prognosis, sterilization requested by reason for sterilization, and name and address of nearest relative. Other records show the names of physicians on the examining commission, type of sterilization done, name of physician performing the sterilization, and lists of others considered for sterilization at the same time.

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329 WORK STATUS ARCHIVIST:
 needs sorting review for identification/
 needs unfolding further determination
 needs refolding processing
 other: _____ determine origin/purpose
 other: _____

CONDITION: FILM:
 totally disorganized for security
 order not apparent destroy original
 origin questionable other: _____
 other: _____

330 Partially arranged alphabetically by patient's name.
331 No index.
332 Typed.
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360 Fair condition with acid and dirt damage.
370 **CONFIDENTIAL** until 50 years after the patient's death.
390 3 boxes have folder lists. Box 060743 has index cards that may be a finding aid to the files but need arrangement.

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990 4/29/1993
995 June 8, 1993; June 8, 1993; April 24, 1996; April 30, 1996; May 8, 1997; January 12, 2003; April 30, 2005; December 18, 2006
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