

STATE OF MONTANA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2-85

THE GREAT SEAL
OF MONTANA
JAN 27 1985

EXECUTIVE ORDER CREATING THE
HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Americans are incurring health costs of \$1 billion a day;
and

WHEREAS, Montanans spent a total of \$906.3 million in 1983 for health
care representing a 9.7% increase from 1982, and

WHEREAS, health care consumes a significant and growing portion of
government expenditures; and

WHEREAS, Montanans are increasingly concerned about rising health
care costs and the affordability of quality health care; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to develop a partnership among health care
consumers, providers and public agencies in order to contain health care
costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TED SCHWINDEN, Governor of the State of
Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Constitution
and laws of the State of Montana, specifically section 2-15-122, MCA, do
hereby create the Health Care Cost Containment Advisory Council.

I. PURPOSE

The Council is charged with the goal of recommending ways to reduce
the rate of growth in Montana's health care costs. Specifically, the Council
shall:

- a. Recommend changes in public policies that will facilitate a reduction
in Montana's health care costs.
- b. Recommend ways health care providers can reduce costs.
- c. Provide a focal point for efforts of Montanans who are promoting
less costly, quality health care.
- d. Recommend ways to create ongoing public interest and private
sector leadership in providing Montana with efficient, quality
health care.
- e. Recommend ways that consumers can become more aware of options
available to them in the health care field.