

**PART IV**

**CARIBBEAN REGION**

2. Other public or private bodies involved

Caribbean Council for the Blind,  
99 Carmichael Street,  
Georgetown, GUYANA.

Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind,  
(regional officer: M. Arnow)  
"Richmond", Marine Gardens,  
Hastings, BARBADOS.

Caribbean Mental Health Association.

Coordinating Committee for Caribbean Association on Mental  
Retardation (CAMR).  
Secretary- Treasurer: Professor Delia Lugo,  
Calle Ravel 876 Reparto Sevilla,  
Rio Piedras, PUERTO RICO 00294.

3. Publications and reports

3-day conference on the deaf, St. Lucia, July 1969 sponsored  
by the government of St. Lucia, the East Caribbean  
Commission and the CSD. No report published.

Report of the Conference on Teacher Education, April 1970,  
UWI Department of Education.

Mental Retardation in the Caribbean. Proceedings of the  
First Caribbean Mental Retardation Conference, Jamaica,  
September, 1970. (Saw formation of CAMR).

Jan. 1971: First issue of Bulletin of CAMR. Published 7 times  
up to August 1972. Editor, the Secretary.

Aug. 1972: Biennial Report of the Coordinating Committee of CAMR.

6. Training facilities and arrangements

Two courses for training teachers of the deaf at UWI Department  
of Education 1971 and 1972. Trainer through CSD.

Coordinating Committee of CAMR ran first teacher training  
summer school for teachers of the mentally retarded.  
28 teachers from 11 Commonwealth Caribbean countries.

Seminar in Programme Planning in the field of Mental  
Retardation, UWI, August 1971. 18 participants from  
8 English-speaking countries. 10-year development plans  
produced for each country.

7. Aid

1971 summer school had grants from the Kennedy Foundation, Commonwealth Foundation, Rosemary Dybwad award, West Indies Training Scheme, Partners of Jamaica.

Leverhulme Trust bursary for training teacher of the deaf 1968-70.

CAMR grants from external bodies include:-

Canadian Association on Mental Retardation,  
National Association for Retarded Children,  
The President's Committee on Mental Retardation.  
Total - \$3,200.

8. Finance

CAMR has also received grants from Antigua, Barbados, and the Dominican Republic. Total - \$500.

10. Incidence of handicap

Rubella epidemic 1960-61 resulted in a number of deaf children being born. Probable incidence of 1-2 severely deaf and 8 moderately deaf per 1,000 of population.

3% mental retardation suggested at First Caribbean Mental Retardation Conference.

12. Other information

2nd Caribbean Mental Retardation Conference took place October 1972 in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Conference languages: Spanish, English, French.