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### HEW REGIONAL PROJECT

Members of the Community in the Newport Area are participating in a HEW Regional Project, "To Improve Nursing Services and Education in Maternal Child Health Care." Team members Evelyn De'Ascentis, Nurse Manager of the Obstetrical Department of Newport Hospital, Carolyn Currier, Instructor, Nursing Department, Newport College, Salve Regina and Patricia Folliard, Childbirth Education Instructor in Newport, began the project in December, 1976. During the past year the team has conducted a survey to ascertain the needs of parents in the first few weeks following birth of a new family member. Questionnaires for these parents were placed in pediatric and obstetrical facilities within the community.

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To further augment the project, the team is planning to hold weekly informal group sessions for new parents every Monday, beginning March 6, 1978, from 1-2 p.m. at Newport College, Salve Regina, O'Hare Building, Room 120.

All parents in the Newport County Area are encouraged to attend the class within the first few weeks following delivery. Parents are welcome to bring the new infants to the class. Group leaders will provide the opportunity for discussion of problems facing parents after the birth of a new child.