

**MEDICAL CENTER ARCHIVES
OF
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**Finding Aid To
THE CURTIS PROUT, MD (1899-1989) PAPERS**

**Dates of Papers:
1947-1965**

**10 Linear Inches
(2 Boxes)**

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PROVENANCE:

These papers were originally filed with the Records of the Department of Psychiatry, Westchester Division, 1886-1992. The records were found in a basement of a building at Westchester Division by archivists, Adele Lerner and James Gehrlich.

ADMINISTRATIVE/BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Dr. Curtis Prout was born on November 18, 1899 in Ashland, New York. He earned an A. B. from Cornell University in 1921, a M.D. from Cornell University Medical College in 1924, and a M. S. in Neurology from University of Minnesota Medical College in 1929. He received further training at Albany Hospital from 1924-1925 and Manhattan State Hospital from 1926-1927. While studying in Minnesota, he had a three year fellowship at the Mayo Clinic. From 1930-1931, he was at the Henry Ford Hospital and Neurologist in Chief at Grace Hospital in Detroit, MI. He was an associate neuropsychiatrist at Albany Hospital from 1931-1933. Next he was the Senior Psychiatrist at Institute of Living in Hartford, CT from 1933-1938. Then he went to the Ring Sanitarium and Hospital in Arlington, MA from 1938-1942. He joined the medical staff at Westchester Division in 1942 as the physician in charge of the Men's Department. In 1948, he was appointed the assistant medical director and clinical director at Westchester Division. He was also on the faculty of Cornell University Medical College where he rose to associate clinical professor of psychiatry. He retired in 1965 and died on February 8, 1989.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:

The collection consists of two series: miscellaneous (1947-1965) and speeches and manuscripts (1948-1963) of Dr. Prout. The collection only provides a small glimpse of Dr. Prout's research interests.

ACCESS RESTRICTIONS:

The patient records are restricted under the federal law, HIPAA.

RELATED MATERIAL:

These papers were removed from the Records of the Department of Psychiatry, Westchester Division, 1868-1992.

BOX AND FOLDER LIST:
Box 1: Series I, Miscellaneous, 1947-1965

Folder:	Description:
1	Ancetine, correspondence, 1952
2	APA Membership, correspondence, 1964
3	Atlanta Graduate Medical Assembly, 1953
4	Diagnostic Significant of Mental Status Examination, Louisville, Ky, correspondence, 1960
5	Evaluation on Energizers, correspondence and clippings, 1959-1960
6	Genetics, correspondence and papers not written by him, 1947-1949
7	Grants for Research, 1957, n.d.
8	Pacatal Therapy, patient cases, 1956 (Restricted-HIPAA)
9	The Placebo Effect in Psychiatric Drug Research, correspondence, 1961-1962
10	Reactions to Use of Amphetamines, study list and correspondence, 1962-1963
11	Study on Curate, correspondence, 1952
12	Westchester County Medical Society, 1965

Box 1: Series II, Speeches and Manuscripts, 1948-1963

Folder:	Description:
13	"Alcoholism," radio talk, 1948
14	"Alcoholism," <u>Current Therapy</u> , 1957
15	"Early Detection and Prediction of Schizophrenia," n.d.
16	"Early Recognition of Neurological Patients in a Psychiatric Hospital"
17	"The Escapist," 1948
18	"Family of the Mental Patient," radio talk, n.d.
19	"Malignant Suicidal Drives Adolescent," APA Meeting, Chicago, 05/1957
20	"Medical Aspects of Alcoholism," County Center to the Social Welfare Workers, 03/12/1952
21	"Organize Psychiatric Disorders," n.d.
22	Out Patient Department, 1958

Box 2: Series II, Speeches and Manuscripts, 1948-1963

Folder:	Description:
1	"Post Hypoglycemic Encephalopathy," Prout/Landolt, 1957
2	"Psychic Energizers," 1960-1961
3	Psychosomatic Skin Conditions, n.d.

- 4 "Reserpine and Chlorpromazine in the Treatment of Mental Illness,"
Prout/Ware/Feigin
- 5 Schizophrenia Mothers, n.d.
- 6 "The Schizophrenic's Sibling," presented at APA, 1955
- 7 "A Survey of General Surgical Procedures in a Group of Emotionally
Disturbed Women Patients," by William Triebel/Prout
- 8 "Use of Electric Shock Therapy in Older Patients," n.d.
- 9 "Use of Penicillin in the Treatment of General Paresis," 1940s
- 10 "Use of Sub Shock Ambulatory Insulin," 1952-1953
- 11 "Where to Hospitalize Your Alcoholic Patient," symposium talk: New
York Medical Society, April 1963