Collection Name: Roper Hospital, Committee on Infections Records
Collection #: MSS 942
Size: 5 folders, .25 cf.
Dates: 1958-1965
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Restrictions: None

Organizational History:
The Roper Hospital Committee on Infections was established by the Roper Hospital Executive Committee at its meeting on October 20, 1958 in response to recommendations from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals. The Committee on Infections was charged with reporting on the incidence of infection recorded by house staff and physicians. Infection Committee members made recommendations on specific cases and general hospital procedures (isolation, disposition, and readmission techniques, among others). The committee consisted of “five members of the staff representing the major services, a representative from Bacteriology, a member of the Nursing Department, Public Health Officer acting as a consultant, and such others as may be deemed essential.” Dr. Thomas G. Herbert served as the first chairman.

Scope and Content Note:
The Roper Hospital, Committee on Infections Records, 1958-1965, consist of minutes of the committee, as well as copies of minutes of Roper Hospital’s Executive and Advisory committees. Included is correspondence to and from the Committee chairmen and members regarding the routine business of the Committee, such as appointments and administrative reporting procedures. Other correspondence documents issues such as methods for reporting and isolation procedures and techniques. Also included are product bulletins for hospital supplies, such as gowns, linens, and antiseptics.

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Related Collection: See also, MSS 300 Roper Hospital Records.

Subject Headings:
Cain, William H.
Herbert, Thomas G.
Jervey, Louis P.
Prioleau, William H.
Robb, C. A.
Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.
Roper Hospital (Charleston, SC).
Communicable Disease Control—methods.
Communicable Disease Control—South Carolina.

**Inventory:**
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