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Mayor Abraham D. Beame today named Associate Dean Martin S. Begun of the New York University School of Medicine to serve as a member of the Mental Health Advisory Board of the City of New York.

The fifteen-member board advises the City's Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Services on programs and policy development. Mr. John C. Fontaine is the current Chairman. Appointments to the Board are non-salaried and are for four-year terms.

Mayor Beame said, "In a City the size of New York, good management of health care programs is crucial to their effectiveness. Through years of academic work and professional experience, Dean Begun has earned an outstanding reputation in the medical administration field. I know he will contribute his best efforts to the work of the Board."

Since 1966, Martin Begun has served as Associate Dean of the New York University School of Medicine and Post Graduate Medical School. In this post, he has been responsible for the day-to-day operations of the schools, including budget and personnel supervision. He joined the medical school administration in 1963 as Assistant Dean.

Dean Begun has served as an Assistant Professor of Medical Administration since 1968 at NYU, and has lectured on the same topic there since 1964. Previous teaching experience includes lecturing in Political Science at Baruch College and the Overseas Division of the University of Maryland in Korea and Japan.



Mr. Begun was Special Assistant to the President of the Institute of International Education from 1956-63, with a two-year leave for military service in Korea. The Institute sponsors international student exchange programs.

After graduation from the City's public school system, Mr. Begun earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin. He also holds a Masters Degree in Government from Columbia University.

Dean Begun, 42, is a resident of Manhattan's East Side.

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