

**(d) Training of primary mental health workers**

Clinical psychiatric training for medical staff working at the grass-roots level in neighbourhoods, district or county hospitals, and the factory health stations has been provided. The training course often lasts six weeks, two weeks of which are devoted to theoretical lectures which are followed by four weeks of clinical practice. The object of such training is to provide the trainee with basic and practical knowledge about psychopathology, diagnostic criteria for common mental disorders, psychopharmacology, and mental care and prevention so that the medical staff can provide an effective mental health care service at their neighbourhood or factory level.

**Comment**

Although the achievements made since the network of mental health care was established in Shanghai

are quite encouraging, there is plenty of room for improvement. In the near future we are going to strengthen the systematic training of mental health workers (including residents, nurses, social workers and clinical psychologists, etc.), helping them to pay more attention to psycho-social factors and to master the professional knowledge of psychiatry together with the modern bio-psycho-social medical model.

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**People and places****New secure unit for Horton Hospital**

A new secure unit has opened at Horton Hospital, Epsom, the main psychiatric hospital in Riverside Mental Health Unit.

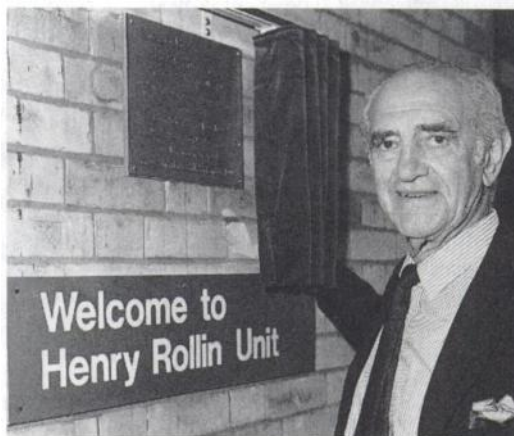
The new Henry Rollin Unit was officially opened on Wednesday, 23 September 1992 by its namesake. Among the guests who attended the function was Sir Louis Blom-Cooper QC, Chairman of the Mental Health Act Commission, who gave a short address prior to the unveiling of the plaque. Afterwards Dr Rollin gave a talk on the history of Horton Hospital.

The unit has 40 beds for behaviourally disturbed and forensic in-patients, and is linked with out-patient clinics and the probation services.

It provides psychiatric liaison to magistrates courts in much of inner London and takes referrals from the mental health units of Riverside, Kingston and Esher, Richmond, Twickenham and Roehampton and Parkside.

The unit comprises two annexes: Derby (formerly the Derby Unit), an 18-bedded mixed sex locked ward; and Addison, a 21-bedded mixed sex ward, unlocked but lockable if necessary.

Dr Rollin was a consultant psychiatrist at Horton from 1948 until his retirement in 1976, during which time he was also a member of the Mental Health Review Tribunals, the Parole Board and Consultant



Forensic Psychiatrist to the Home Office. He is now Emeritus Consultant to the hospital.

Dr Rollin is also Vice-President of the Horton Hospital League of Friends, which he helped found around 30 years ago, and the League has named a nursing award after him. The Henry Rollin Nursing Award is to be awarded annually for innovation and professionalism in nursing.