

Forthcoming events

The Third International Congress on Human Rights in Medicine and Law will take place in Mmabatho from 23–28 August 1992. Further information: Mrs Susan Lewis, Centre Co-ordinator, International Centre of Medicine and Law, P.O. Box 4182, Mmabatho 8681, Republic of Bophuthatswana (telephone 0140 842470/1; fax 0140 24894).

Schizophrenia 1992: Poised for Change will be held in Vancouver from 19–22 July 1992. Further information: Schizophrenia 1992, c/o Venue West Ltd., 645–375 Water Street, Vancouver, B.C., Canada V6B 5C6 (telephone 604 681 5226; fax 604 681 2503).

The International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research is organising a series of scientific workshops: Brussels, Belgium 21–23 September 1992—**New Pharmacological Approaches in the Therapy of Depressive Disorders**; and inaugural session on the **European Decade of Brain Research**. Monte Carlo, Monaco, 9–11 November 1992—**New Developments in the Therapy of Allergic Disorders and Asthma**. Further information: N. Brunello, I. Ceserani, Scientific Secretariat, International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research, Institute of Pharmacological Sciences, Via Balzaretti 9, 20133 Milano, Italy (telephone 39 2 20488328/331; fax 39 2 29404961).

The Annual Symposium on Ethics and Addiction will be held at the Royal Institute of British Architects, Portland Place, London on 19 and 20 November 1992. Further information: Professor A. Hamid Ghodse, Division of Addictive Behaviour, St George's Hospital Medical School, Cranmer Terrace, London SW17 0RE (telephone 081 672 9944, extension 55718).

A conference on **Drug-Drug and Drug-Food Interactions** will be held on 24 and 25 September 1992 at The Royal Society of Medicine, London. Further information: Christine Bull, Rostrum, Lewis House, 1 Mildmay Road, Romford, Essex RM7 7DA (telephone 0708 735191; fax 0708 734876).

The International Hospital Federation Pan Regional Conference entitled **The International Health Care Challenge** will be held from 20–23 October 1992 at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, Westminster, London. Further information: Conference Secretariat, Conference Associates and Services Ltd., Congress House, 55 New Cavendish Street, London W1M 7RE (telephone 071 486 0531; fax 071

935 7559). *If any member of the College is attending this conference, could they contact the Secretary, Mrs Vanessa Cameron*

Learning Disabilities: 'Challenging Needs and Service Responses', The Current Themes Symposium will be held on 22 September 1992 at Guy's Hospital. Further information: Symposium Secretary, Psychiatry of Mental Handicap Section, Munro Clinic, UMDS, Guy's Hospital, London SE1 9RT (telephone 071 955 4792).

The Society for Existential Analysis will be holding a forum **Dreaming of M.H.: The ethics of existential analysis** on 3 July 1992. Further information: The School of Psychotherapy and Counselling, Regent's College, Inner Circle, Regent's Park, London NW1 4NS.

The **British Neuropsychiatry Association** is holding its **Summer Residential Meeting** from 12–14 July 1992 at St Catherine's College Oxford (a joint meeting with the American Neuropsychiatry Association) and will include sessions on paoxysmal disorders, head injury and what is neuropsychiatry? Further information: Dr J.M. Bird, Secretary, The Burden Neurological Hospital, Stoke Lane, Stapleton, Bristol BS16 1QT.

The **9th International Conference on Multiple Personality/Dissociative States** will be held at the Drake Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, from 13–15 November 1992. Further information: Bennett G. Braun, MD, Program Chairman, Dissociative Disorders Program, Rush North Shore Medical Center, 9600 Gross Point Road, Skokie, IL 60076, USA.

The 11th International Congress on Criminology with the theme **Socio-Political Change and Crime – a Challenge for the 21st Century** will take place in Budapest, Hungary from 22–27 August 1993. Further information: Prof. H. J. Kerner, Head, NKG-Bureau, Corrensstr. 34, D-7400 Tübingen, Germany (telephone 0049 7071 292931).

Epidémiologie et Santé Mentale, a conference of L'Association des Epidémiologistes de Langue Française (ADELF) will take place at the Palais des Congrès, Beaune, France from 4–5 December 1992. Further information: Dr Rebecca Fuhrer, Institut National de la Santé et de la Recherche Médicale, 16 Avenue Paul-Vaillant-Couturier, 94807 Villejuif CEDEX, France.

7th Annual TAPS (Team for the Assessment of Psychiatric Services) **Conference** will be held on 16 July 1992 at University College London. Further information: Mrs Maggie Wallace, TAPS Research Unit, Friern Hospital, Friern Barnet Road, London N11 3BP (telephone 081 368 1288, extension 2139/3614).

Working with Acting Out Families: The Portman Clinic will be holding a year long work discussion group on working with families with perverse or delinquent members. Further information: Dr Freedman or Mrs Dermen, The Portman Clinic, 8 Fitzjohns Avenue, London NW3 5NA (telephone 071 794 8262).

The **XIII World Congress of Social Psychiatry** will be held in New Delhi from 9–13 November 1992. Further information: Miss J. Davis, Sloane Hospital Travel Service, 204 Upper Richmond Road, London SW15 6TP (telephone 081 785 2929; fax 081 788 8112). Scientific programme enquiries: Dr R. Gaind, Suite 206, Emblem House, London Bridge Hospital, 27 Tooley Street, London SE1 2PB (telephone 071 403 4884; fax 071 935 7776).

A conference entitled **Miscarriage, Stillbirth and Neonatal Death: Management and Care** will be held at the Medical School, University of Manchester on 22 June 1992. Further information: SANDS, 28 Portland Place, London W1N 4DE (telephone 071 637 7756 – 24 hrs).

Courses

The Department of Public Health, University of Aberdeen, offers a combined teaching and research curriculum leading to an **MSc or a Diploma in Public Health**. Further information: Dorothy Ballantyne, MSc Secretary, Department of Public Health, Medical School, Foresterhill, Aberdeen AB9 2ZD (telephone 0244 681818, extension 53727).

The Institute of Child Health are holding courses on **Aspects of Child Protection Work: Perspectives in Child Abuse**—24–25 June 1992; **Interviewing Children and Adolescents**—13–14 July 1992. Further information: Short Courses Office, Institute of Child Health, 30 Guilford Street, London WC1N 1EH (telephone 071 829 8692 (direct line); fax 071 831 0488).

Edinburgh University One Week Advanced Course in Cognitive Therapy will be held from 29 June–3 July 1992. Further information and registration: Mrs M. Dodd, Department of Psychiatry, University of Edinburgh, Kennedy Tower, Morningside Park, Edinburgh EH10 5HF (telephone 031 447 2011).

A psychiatric symposium entitled **Psychiatric Update Course for General Practitioners and Hospital Doctors** will be held at the Moat House Hotel, Blackburn on 20 June 1992. Further information: Dr P. T. Saleem, Consultant Psychiatrist, Queen's Park Hospital, Blackburn BB2 3HH (telephone 0254 687102).

The School of Psychotherapy and Counselling is holding a short course on **Anxiety and Stress Management** on 6–7 June 1992. Details of this and other courses during the spring term: Anna David, Director of Short Courses, Heringham, Room 40, Regent's College, Inner Circle, Regent's Park, London NW1 4NS (telephone 071 487 7406).

Introduction to Clinical Research course will be held from 9–10 June 1992 and **Ensuring Investigator Compliance with Good Clinical Practice** course will be held from 22–23 June 1992 at the Royal Society of Medicine, London. Further information: Christine Bull, Rostrum, Lewis House, 1 Mildmay Road, Romford, Essex RM7 7DA (telephone 0708 7351; fax 00708 734876).

A brief introductory course **Psychodynamics for Psychiatrists** will be held at The Tavistock Clinic from 29 June–3 July 1992. Further information: The Tavistock Clinic, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3 5BA (telephone 071 435 7111, extension 2469).

Applications are invited for a proposed one-year part-time postgraduate **Certificate in Group Psychotherapy** commencing October 1992 and a three-year postgraduate **Diploma in Group Psychotherapy** at the University of Warwick. The Certificate is a prerequisite for the Diploma. Suitably qualified students may convert the Diploma to an MSc in Group Psychotherapy by submission of a dissertation. Applications for the Certificate, including a Statement of current or planned psychotherapy experience, a brief c.v. and the names of two referees to: Mrs Pat Scott, School of Postgraduate Medical Education and Department of Psychology, University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL (telephone 0203 523745; fax 0203 524311).

The Faculty of Public Health Medicine will be holding a **Diploma in Epidemiology** Examination in 1992. Dissertations are submitted by the end of July. The written papers and oral are held in London in September and October respectively. Further information: Johanne Hawkins, Education Administrator, Faculty of Public Health Medicine of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom, 4 St Andrew's Place, London NW1 4LB (telephone 071 935 0243; fax 071 224 6973).

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