Post-conflict countries and complex emergency situations pose many mental health issues. There is a substantial increase in psychotic and non-psychotic disorders, new psychosocial problems for persons of all ages and specific mental health needs of those with physical injuries and post-traumatic stress disorder. These

increases will be exacerbated by lack of and loss of resources, essential medicines and staff to offer psychosocial and other interventions. The rapid flow of refugees, migration and rapid economic and family breakdown at times of social change will all add to the mental health burden.

Forthcoming international events

6-9 July 2004

Royal College of Psychiatrists' Annual Meeting: Caring for the Carers

International Centre, Harrogate, UK. Contact: College Conference Office. Tel: +44 (0)20 7235 2351 ext. 142. Fax: +44 (0)20 7259 6507. Email: mbraithwaite@rcpsych.ac.uk.

26-27 July 2004

Bridging the Gap: The Inaugural Conference of International Mental Health at IOP

To raise awareness of many kinds of gaps in the international mental health field.

Institute of Psychiatry, London, UK.

Contact: Marie Eagle, Section of Epidemiology, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, London SE5 8AF, UK. Tel: +44 207 848 0136.

Tel: +44 207 848 0136. Email: m.eagle@iop.kcl.ac.uk.

4-8 August 2004

Solidarity/Moral Displacement: Stockholm Group Conference on Social Issues and International Association of Group Psychotherapy

Email: Soci2004@hotmail.com. Website: www.psykoterapisallskapet.se.

22-26 August 2004

16th World Congress of the International Association for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Allied Professions (IACAPAP)

Berlin, Germany.

Contact: Dr Helmut Remschmidt.

Email: remschm@post.med.uni-marburg.de.

Website: www.iacapap-berlin.de.

25-28 August 2004

10th European Symposium on Suicide and Suicidal Behaviour

Organised by the International Association of Suicide Prevention (IASP).

Copenhagen, Denmark. Tel: +45 7023 5056. Fax +45 7023 5057.

Website: www.suicideprevention.dk.

3-5 September 2004

Inclusion and Mental Health in the New Europe

User/consumer involvement, mental health policy in the new Europe.

London, UK.

Website: www.enmesh2004.org.

8-10 September 2004

16th International Congress on Addiction.

Center of Interdisciplinary Addiction Research, Hamburg University, with the Medical University of Vienna.

Vienna, Austria.

Contact: Dr Alexander Friedman. Email: information@addiction.at.

17-19 September 2004

WPA Regional Meeting

Mental Health Resource Center (MHRC) in collaboration

with the Pakistan Psychiatric Society.

Lahore, Pakistan.

Contact: Dr Haroon Rashid Chaudry.

Email: pprc@wol.net.pk

20-21 September 2004

WPA Section on Mass Media and Mental Health

McLean Hospital, Boston, USA. Contact: Dr Miguel A. Materazzi. Email: materazzi@arnet.com.ar.

20-23 September 2004

XIII National Psychiatric Congress of the South African Society of Psychiatrists (SASOP)

Drakensberg, South Africa. Contact: Dr Ian Westmore. Email: westmore@shisas.com.

22-26 September 2004

14th World Congress of the World Association for Dynamic Psychiatry (WADP)

WPA co-sponsored conference.

Cracow, Poland.

Contact: Dr Maria Ammon

Email: wadp.congress2004@dynpsych.de.

23-26 September 2004

The Marcé Society International Biennial Scientific

WPA co-sponsored conference. Oxford University, Oxford, UK. Contact: Bethan Ramsey. Email: b.h.ramsey@reading.ac.uk. Website: www.marcesociety.com.

23-26 September 2004

JPGM GOLD CON: 50 years

International conference on medical writing, editing, journal publishing, electronic publishing, open access,

publication ethics. Mumbai, India. Contact: Dr Atul Goel. Tel: 91 22 2412 9884. Fax: 91 22 2503 2398

Email: goldcon@jpgmonline.com.

Website: www.jpgmonline.com/goldcon.asp.

28 September-1 October 2004

Translating the Evidence

International Early Psychosis Psychosis Association.

Vancouver, Canada.

Contact: congress@venuewest.com. Website: www.iepa.org.au.

3-5 October 2004

Middle East Overseas Group of the Royal College of Psychiatrists

Cairo, Egypt.

Contact: Dr Nasser Loza. Email: info@behman.com.

6-9 October 2004

8th Congress of the International Association for the Treatment of Sexual Offenders (IATSO)

WPA co-sponsored conference.

Athens, Greece.

Contact: Dr Orestis Giotakos. Email: giotakos@tri.forthnet.gr. Website: www.iatsoathens.gr. 7-10 October 2004

Mental Health Perspectives in Public Health Conference

WPA co-sponsored conference with the Armenian Association of Psychiatrists and Narcologists.

Yerevan, Armenia.

Contact: Dr Armen Soghoyan. Email: majoria@arminco.com.

8-10 October 2004

The Individual and the Group: Bridging the Gap

EFPP Conference on Psychoanalytic Group Psychotherapy.

Lisbon, Portugal.

Email: admedic@mail.telepac.pt. Website: www.efpp.org.

24-26 October 2004

3rd World Congress on Men's Health

WPA co-sponsored conference. International Society for Men's Health in collaboration with the International Forum of Mood and Anxiety Disorder and the Austrian Association of Neuropharmacology.

Vienna, Austria.

Contact: Dr Siegfried Kasper. Email: sk@akh-wien.ac.at. Website: www.wcmh.info.

24-27 October 2004

XVIII World Congress of the World Association for Social **Psychiatry**

Japanese Society of Social Psychiatry in collaboration with the WHO.

Kobe, Japan.

Contact: Dr Yoshibumi Nakane. Email: yonakane@net.nagasaki-u.ac.jp. Website: www.congre.co.jp/18wasp.

26-30 October 2004

VIII National Psychiatric Congress of the Spanish Society of Psychiatry and the Spanish Society of Biological Psychiatry

Bilbao, Spain.

Contact: Dr Enrique Baca. Email: fespm@wanadoo.es.

28-31 October 2004

XI Scientific Meeting of the Pacific Rim College of Psychiatrists, Hong Kong.

Contact: The Meeting Secretariat, c/o Meeting Planners International (HK) Ltd, 22/F, Pico Tower, 66 Gloucester Road,

Wanchai, Hong Kong, SAR. Tel: +852 2509 3430 Fax: +852 2667 6927. Email: PRCP@mphk.com

1-3 November 2004

VI European Conference of the European Opiate Addiction Treatment Association

Paris, France.

Contact: Cap 15, Centre International d'Affaires et de Congrès, 1 à 13 Quai de Grenelle, 75015 Paris, France.

Email: maremman@med.unipi.it or m.reisinger@worldonline.be.

Website: www.europad.org Venue website: www.cap15.com.

10-13 November 2004

Treatments in Psychiatry: An Update

International Congress of the WPA.

Florence, Italy.

Contact: Prof. Mario Maj, Institute of Psychiatry, University of Naples, Largo Madonna Delle Grazie, I-80138, Italy.

Fax: +39 081 566 6523. Email: majmario@tin.it.

17-20 November 2004

Latin American Psychiatric Association (APAL)

Punta del Este, Uruguay. Contact: Dr Angel Valmaggia Email: apal2004@montevideo.com.uy.

Website: www.apal2004.org.

2-5 December 2004

WPA Regional Meeting on Eastern Europe and the Balkans

Craiova, Romania. Contact: Dr Tudor Udristoiu. Email: psy@umfcv.ro.

13-17 December 2004

Mal-etre, bien etre: Quelles ressources pour agir?

WPA Suicidiology Section.

Poitiers, France.

Contact: Dr Jean Jacques Chavagnat. Email: prs.suicide@ch-poitiers.fr.

12-15 January 2005

Facing the Challenges, Building Solutions

WHO Ministerial Conference on Mental Health. An invitational conference of all 52 member states in the WHO European Region and of selected organisations.

Contact: Mental Health Programme, Regional Office for Europe,

Scherfigsvej 8, DK 2100, Copenhagen, Denmark.

Fax: +45 3917 1865. Email: jke@euro.who.int.

Website: www.euro.who.int/document/MNH/MHleaflete.pdf.

12-15 March 2005

Advances in Psychiatry and Meeting of the WPA Scientific Sections

WPA Regional Meeting.

Athens, Greece. Contact: Prof. George Christodoulou, Athens University, Department of Psychiatry, Eginition Hospital, 74, Vasilissis,

Sophias, 11528 Athens, Greece. Fax: +302 10 724 2032 Email: gnchrist@compulink.gr.

16-19 March 2005

14th World Congress of the World Association for Dynamic Psychiatry: Trauma, Attachment, Personality

Cracow, Poland

Contact: Dr Maria Ammon, World Association for Dynamic

Psychiatry (WADP). Email: dapberlin@aol.com. Website: www.dapberlin.de.

18-20 March 2005

Financing Mental and Addictive Disorders

Organised by WPA Section on Mental Health Economics.

Venice, Italy.

Contact: Dr Massimo Moscarelli, Email: Moscarelli@icmpe.org. Website: www.icmpe.org.

April 2005

WPA Regional Meeting and XXI Congreso Argentino de Psiquiatria

Organised by the Association of Argentinean Psychiatrists (APSA).

Mar del Plata, Argentina. Contact: Dra. Graciela Lucatelli. Email: apsa@apsa.org.ar. Website: www.apsa.org.ar.

21-26 May 2005

American Psychiatric Association Annual Congress

Atlanta, GA, USA. Contact: apa@psych.org. Website: www.psych.org.

20-23 June 2005

Royal College of Psychiatrists' Annual Meeting

Edinburgh International Conference Centre, Edinburgh, UK. Contact: College Conference Office.

Tel: +44 (0)20 7235 2351 × 142 Fax: +44 (0)20 7259 6507. Email: mbraithwaite@rcpsych.ac.uk.

16-20 November 2005

WPA Regional Meeting and XIX Congreso Nacional de la Asociacion Psiquiatric Mexicana

Los Cabos, Mexico.

Contact: Dr Luis E. Rivero Almanzor. Email: aspsiqm@prodigy.net.mx.

15th ISPS Congress (International Society for the Psychological Treatments of Schizophrenia and other psychoses)

Madrid, Spain.

Contact: Dr Manuel Gonzales de Chavez

Email: mgchavez@teleline.es. Website: www.ispsmadrid2006.com.