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ANNOUNCEMENTS**Institute of Mental Subnormality Educational Programme 1977**

The Institute of Mental Subnormality is a nationally registered charity aiming to raise the standards of treatment, care and management of the mentally handicapped, both in hospital and in the community. It endeavours to do so by promoting more progressive methods of meeting the medical, nursing, social, educational and environmental needs of the mentally handicapped, through the teaching and training provided in its educational activities, as detailed on the attached sheet. Details of the Institute Educational Programme are available from Miss R. Brooks, Institute of Mental Subnormality, Wolverhampton Road, Kidderminster, Worcs., DY10 3PP.

Disturbed Adolescents—The Behavioural Approach—B.A.B.P. Workshop—21st May, 1977.

Dr. Barry Brown, Senior Psychologist, Birmingham Social Services, will direct this one day workshop which promises to be of great practical interest to all professionals trying to help adolescents in trouble.

Participation will be limited to a maximum of 40 people who should be professional workers in the field (teachers in special schools and community homes, clinical and educational psychologists, child and forensic psychiatrists, psychiatric nurses).

Topics will include:

Social skills training, self-control training, behavioural contracting in foster care, token economy in residential care and behaviour management in secure care.

The format will include seminars conducted not only by Dr. Brown but also by Nigel Druce and Pam Teare. There will be small group discussions and much opportunity for feedback and participation. The price is £8.00 to B.A.B.P. Members and £12.00 to non-members and this will include morning coffee, buffet lunch and afternoon tea. The closing date for applications is Friday, 29th April, 1977. Contact Dr. Barry Brown, Social Services, Tennal School, Balden Road, Harbourne, Birmingham, B32 2EN.

B.A.B.P. Annual Conference

To be held at the University of Keele, Staffordshire on the 22nd-24th July will include presentation of papers, symposia, poster sessions and social events. Cost including accommodation and meals is £21 for members and £26 for non-members. For non-residents the cost is £9 and £14 for members and non-members, lunch and afternoon refreshments included. Further details and application forms from Howard Lomas, Bury Social Services, Craig House, Bank Street, Bury, Lancs.

Professional Insurance

Several members have asked whether they can take out professional insurance through the Association. I was asked by the Executive Committee to investigate the possibilities. The previous treasurer had had an arrangement with an insurance company but it seemed this functioned on his good-will and not that of the B.A.B.P. I approached the British Psychological Society for advice but they simply sent me their proposal form. Finally, I asked a broker to look into the matter for me and after I had provided him with some information about the various professional activities of our membership, he indicated that insurance cover might be arranged through one of the large insurance companies. However, this proved to be a group insurance cover for the total membership and would, therefore, add several pounds on to the membership subscription. Cover for individual members could be arranged but would be very expensive (several hundred pounds per annum) and membership of the B.A.B.P. would not confer any advantage i.e. it would be no different from the type of cover anyone could obtain individually. The Executive Committee, considered the suggestion of group insurance but rejected this because it would represent an increase in our membership subscription and it would not be necessary for many of our members who already have insurance cover through their profession. The conclusion is that if you wish to take out professional insurance you would be best advised to proceed through your professional body or by approaching the insurance companies directly. Individual insurance cover, however, seems to be rather expensive.

John S. Marzillier,
Honorary Treasurer

BRANCH ACTIVITIES

NORTH WALES

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| April 20th | – “Voice Production” – 11.15 a.m. at “Bod Difyr”, 4 Station Road, Old Colwyn. | Mrs. Daphne Goodwin
Headmistress – Tirionfa,
Clwyd. |
| May 4th | – One day Workshop “Family Therapy” (To be held at Gwynfa Residential Clinic) (Sponsored by B.A.B.P.) | Brian Cade & Douglas Breunlin
Inst. Family Therapy,
Cardiff. |
| May 18th | – “Further Research in Sex Therapy” (To be held at North Wales Hospital, Denbigh) (To be followed by B.A.B.P. Annual General Meeting). | Dr. Martin Cole,
Birmingham. |

LONDON BRANCH

As usual the meetings will take place on the first Monday of the month in the Middlesex Hospital Medical School at 7.30 p.m.

The nearest tube stations are Goodge Street, on the Northern Line and Warren Street, on the Victoria Line.

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| May 2nd | – A clinical demonstration of the interviewing and behavioural analysis of a behaviour therapy patient. We hope to arrange for a patient whose | Dr. V. Meyer
Middlesex Hospital Medical
School. |
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