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### The North American Group of the Royal College of Psychiatrists

For more than 20 years this Group has received members and visitors at the annual meetings of the American Psychiatric Association (APA) and this tradition will continue in 2004 in New York City, probably on 2 May (see Forthcoming international events). The 2003 meeting in San Francisco was fun, with good food, drink, company and brief, lively speeches by Mike Shooter, Robin Murray and Paul Jessop. Our activities now include scientific

presentations at both the APA and College meetings. Our topics in the USA have ranged from risk factors in schizophrenia and the history of schizophrenia, to war, terrorism and refugees, with experts from several countries and cultures, sometimes speaking to overflowing audiences. Topics at the College meetings have included 'Hot topics in American psychiatry', 'Suicide in the elderly and physician-assisted suicide', 'Lessons learned in disaster psychiatry for children after 9/11 in New York' and 'What happened to the severely mentally ill after deinstitutionalisation'.

For the 2004 APA meeting symposium we have submitted proposals on 'The provision of psychiatric services where there is a shortage of psychiatrists', with speakers from five countries, and a workshop entitled 'Psychiatry in Afghanistan and Afghan refugees'.

For the College's 2004 annual meeting in Harrogate there will be a session on 'Serving the underserved in the US' (the elderly, children and those with severe mental illnesses).

All these events have been organised and chaired by the chair of the Group, Nigel Bark.

## Forthcoming international events

15 January 2004

### Conference on Religious Psychopathology

Foundation for Psychiatry and Religion in collaboration with the WPA Section on Religion, Spirituality and Psychiatry. Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Contact: Dr Herman M. Van Praag.  
Email: [h.m.van.praag@vanpraag.com](mailto:h.m.van.praag@vanpraag.com).

29 January–2 February 2004

### International Conference on Schizophrenia

WPA co-sponsored conference. Schizophrenia Research Foundation (SCARF) in collaboration with the WHO. Chennai (Old Madras), India.

Contact: Dr R. Thara.  
Email: [scarf@vsnl.com](mailto:scarf@vsnl.com).

Website: [www.scarfindia.org](http://www.scarfindia.org).

1–28 February 2004

### Fifth Virtual Congress of Psychiatry (Interpsiquis 2004)

Palma de Mallorca, Spain.

Contact: Dr Pedro Moreno.  
Email: [secretaria@psiquiatria.com](mailto:secretaria@psiquiatria.com).

Website: [www.interpsiquis.com/2004/participation.html](http://www.interpsiquis.com/2004/participation.html).

12–14 February 2004

### Bienestar y Calidad de Vida en el Siglo XXI

WPA Section on Mass Media and Mental Health, with Havana Psychiatric Hospital.

Havana, Cuba.  
Contact: Dr Miguel A. Materazzi.  
Email: [materazzi@arnet.com.ar](mailto:materazzi@arnet.com.ar).

5–10 March 2004

### Second Biennial Conference of the International Society for Affective Disorders (ISAD)

WPA co-sponsored conference. In collaboration with the WPA Section on Affective Disorders.

Cancun, Mexico.  
Contact: David Beck.  
Email: [d.k.beck@soton.ac.uk](mailto:d.k.beck@soton.ac.uk).  
Website: [www.isad.org.uk](http://www.isad.org.uk).

17–20 March 2004

### Second World Congress on Women's Mental Health

WPA Section on Women's Mental Health and the WPA Section on Interdisciplinary Collaboration. Washington, DC, USA.

Contact: Dr Donna Stewart; Dr Uriel Halbreich.  
Email: [donna.stewart@uhn.on.ca](mailto:donna.stewart@uhn.on.ca); [urielh@acsu.buffalo.edu](mailto:urielh@acsu.buffalo.edu).  
Website: [www.womenmentalhealth.com](http://www.womenmentalhealth.com).

17–20 March 2004

### National Association of Dually Diagnosed. International Congress – V

In collaboration with the WPA Section on Mental Retardation. Boston, Massachusetts, USA.

Contact: Dr L. Salvador Carulla.  
Email: [l.salvador@telefonica.net](mailto:l.salvador@telefonica.net).

23–25 March 2004

### First International Conference on Psychiatry, Law and Ethics

WPA Section on Psychiatry, Law and Ethics in collaboration with UNESCO, WAML, ICLE and SMLI. Eilat, Israel.

Email: [seminars@isas.co.il](mailto:seminars@isas.co.il).  
Website: [www.isas.co.il/psychiatrylaw2004](http://www.isas.co.il/psychiatrylaw2004).

29 March–2 April 2004

### Congreso Panamericano de Salud Mental Infanto-Juvenil

Organised by Cuban Society of Psychiatry in collaboration with the WHO and the Latin American Psychiatric Association.

Palacio de Convenciones, Havana, Cuba.  
Contact: Dr Cristobal Martinez Gomez.  
Email: [crisma@informed.sld.cu](mailto:crisma@informed.sld.cu).  
Website: [www.sld.cu/eventos/psiquiatria/felices](http://www.sld.cu/eventos/psiquiatria/felices);  
[www.loseventos.cu/saludmental2004](http://www.loseventos.cu/saludmental2004).

14–18 April 2004

### European Psychiatry: Evidence and Experience. 12th AEP Congress

Geneva, Switzerland.  
Call for abstracts ends 30 October 2003.

Email: [aep12@kenes.com](mailto:aep12@kenes.com).  
Website: [www.kenes.com/aep2004](http://www.kenes.com/aep2004).

1–6 May 2004

**American Psychiatric Association Annual Congress**

New York, USA.  
Contact: apa@psych.org.  
Website: www.psych.org.

14–19 May 2004

**History of Psychiatry: 18th Congress of the Hellenic Psychiatric Association**

In collaboration with WPA Sections on History of Psychiatry and Humanities in Psychiatry.  
Island of Kos, Greece.  
Contact: Prof. George Christodoulou, Hellenic Psychiatric Association, 11, Papadiamandopoulou str., 11528 Athens, Greece.  
Fax: +302107242032.  
Email: gnchrist@compulink.gr.

27–29 May 2004

**International Conference on Education and Promotion in Mental Health**

The annual conference of Mental Health Europe.  
Ljubjana, Slovenia.  
Contact: Mental Health Europe, Boulevard Clovis7, B-1000 Brussels, Belgium.  
Tel: +32 2 280 0468.  
Email: info@mhe-sme.org.

10 June 2004

**Poder de la Resiliencia en el Desajuste Social Actual**

WPA Section on Mass Media and Mental Health in collaboration with Hospital Psiquiatrico Jose T. Borda.  
Buenos Aires, Argentina.  
Contact: Dr. Miguel A. Materazzi.  
Email: materazzi@arnet.com.ar.

25–27 June 2004

**XVIII Peruvian Psychiatric Congress and III Regional Meeting of the APAL**

WPA co-sponsored conference.  
Lima, Peru.  
Contact: Dr Elard Sanchez Tejada.  
Email: app@amauta.rcp.net.pe.

6–9 July 2004

**Royal College of Psychiatrists Annual Meeting**

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

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.

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.

28 September–1 October 2004

**Translating the Evidence. International Early Psychosis Association**

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

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. Armenian Association of Psychiatrists and Narcologists.  
Yerevan, Armenia.  
Contact: Dr Armen Soghoian.  
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.wchm.info.

24–27 October 2004

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

The 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.

10–13 November 2004

**Treatment 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.

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 39 17 18 65.  
Email: jke@euro.who.int.

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.

21–26 May 2005

**American Psychiatric Association Annual Congress**

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