

Forthcoming Events

The **Disability Alliance Educational and Research Association** will be holding five one-day courses in October and November. Further details: The Training Assistant, Disability Alliance Educational and Research Association, 25 Denmark Street, London WC2H 8NJ (telephone 01 379 6142).

An **International Conference on New Directions in Affective Disorders** will be held in Jerusalem from 5–9 April 1987. Further details: VIP International Conference Services Ltd., 42 North Audley Street, London W1A 4PY (telephone 01 499 4221).

It is proposed to hold a joint meeting between the *Royal College of Psychiatrists* and the *Royal College of General Practitioners* on the general topic of **Psychiatrists Collaborating in Primary Health Care Settings**, as the theme of the Annual General Meeting of the Section for Social and Community Psychiatry to be held on 20 February 1987. There will be formal papers from each College in the morning; in the afternoon it is suggested that there might be a series of *brief* presentations by psychiatrists and GPs who work together, describing the nature of their clinical collaboration and including any research project being undertaken.

Colleagues who would like to contribute to this afternoon programme are asked to contact the Convenor of the Special Interest Group on behalf of the Executive Committee of the Section: Dr A. R. K. Mitchell, Consultant Psychiatrist, Young People's Psychiatric Service, 2 Trumpington Street, Cambridge CB1 3QA (telephone 0223 66461).

The Mid-Life Centre at the Birmingham Settlement and the Centre for the Study of Adult Life, Teesside Polytechnic, will be holding their **1st International Conference 'The Future of Adult Life'** at the Leeuwenhorst Congress Centre, The Netherlands from 1–5 April 1987. It is designed for academic researchers, social commentators, policy makers, representatives of associations and professional and business interests to explore the changing nature of adult life. For further information, contact Mike Featherstone, Centre for the Study of Adult Life, Department of Administrative & Social Studies, Teesside Polytechnic, Middlesbrough, Cleveland TS1 3BA (telephone 0642 218121, extension 4313), as soon as possible.

A joint full-day symposium on **Hypnosis in the National Health Service** will be held at the Regional Conference Centre, Prestwich Hospital, Manchester on 31 October 1986. It will be organised jointly by the British Society of Experimental and Clinical Hypnosis and the Northern

Branch of the British Psychological Society Division of Clinical Psychology. Further details and registration forms: Secretary, The British Society of Experimental and Clinical Hypnosis, Department of Clinical Psychology, Prestwich Hospital, Bury New Road, Prestwich, Manchester M25 7BL (telephone 061 773 9121, extension 42).

The **11th World Congress of Social Psychiatry** will be held at the Convention Center of the National Hotel-Rio, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from 6–11 November 1986. The main theme will be Social Psychiatry for Cultures in Transition. Further information: Meta Marketing and Eventos, Av. Rio Branco 156, Grupo 2422, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

The **XIIIth International Symposium of the Fulton Society on 'Memory'** will be held in San Francisco in 1987 together with the American Neurological Association Annual Meeting. Further information: Professor Victor Soriano, Calle Buenos Aires 363, Montevideo, Uruguay.

The **Third World Congress on Prison Health Care** will be held in Bristol in August 1988 and will cover important topics in prison medicine and in forensic psychiatry. The Congress is organised every five years on behalf of the International Council of Prison Medical Services. Requests for information *as soon as possible* to: Dr P. A. Trafford, c/o Cunard Crusader World Travel, Friary House, 15 Colston Street, Bristol BS1 5AP.

The Annual Conference of the **British Psychosocial Oncology Group** will be held on 5 December 1986 at the Postgraduate Centre, Leicester Royal Infirmary. This multi-disciplinary meeting will examine the psychological and social problems arising from cancer treatment and diagnosis. It is open to all professionals interested in this area. Fee: £15 (BPOG members); £23 (non members—includes one year membership of BPOG plus reduced fee for 1987 conference). Anyone interested in attending or in presenting a paper should contact the conference organiser: Dr Chris Thomas, Department of Psychiatry, Leicester General Hospital, Gwendolen Road, Leicester LE5 4PW.

The **1986 Edward Glover Lecture** will be given by Dr Adam Limentani who will speak on 'Perversions: Treatable or Untreatable' on 10 November 1986 at 8.15 p.m., Large Lecture Theatre, Royal Free Hospital School of Medicine (Rowland Hill Street entrance), London NW3. Admission free by ticket on application to: Mrs Jocelyn Gamble, Administrative Secretary, Portman Clinic, 8 Fitzjohn's Avenue, London NW3 5NA.

The **Brain Research Association** and the **Alzheimer's Disease Society** will be holding a Joint Meeting on the pathology, neurochemistry and molecular biology of Alzheimer's disease in Southampton from 22–24 July 1987. Further information: John Hardy, Department of Biochemistry, St

Mary's Hospital Medical School, London W2 1PG or Peter Roberts, Department of Pharmacology, University of Southampton, Southampton SO9 3TU.

A Symposium on Biological Psychiatry in Europe Today will be held at Hotel Mercury, Buizerdlaan 10, 3435 SB Nieuwegein, The Netherlands on 27 and 28 November 1986. Information: TGO Foundation, P.O.B. 199, 9200 AD Drachten, The Netherlands.

The Liaison Group of the Royal College of Psychiatrists and the Society for Psychosomatic Research will be holding a joint meeting on 27 March 1987 in 19 Belgrave Square, London SW1 on 'Disfigurement'. Anyone who is doing research on disfigurement that follows surgery, including amputation, burns or skin disease who would like to make a presentation at the Conference is invited to write to: Dr J. Connolly, Consultant Psychiatrist, The Maudsley Hospital, London SE5 8AZ.

A Symposium on Diagnosis and Treatment of Depression: Quo Vadis? will be held at Clin Midy/Sanofi Research Centre, Montpellier, France from 11–12 May 1987. Further information: Scientific Secretariat, Dr Perla Roset-Danan, Centre de Recherches, Clin Midy/Sanofi, rue du Pr. J. Blayac, 34082 Montpellier cedex, France.

A joint meeting of the **Royal College of Psychiatrists** and the **Association of French Psychiatrists** will be held in Bordeaux, France from 14–15 May 1987. Information: Dr Stuart Montgomery, Chairman Programme Committee, Royal College of Psychiatrists, London SW1X 8PG.

The next meeting of the **Buddhism, Psychology & Psychiatry Group** will be held on 8 November 1986 at St Crispin Hospital, Northampton. There will be three small groups, each with a specific theme: Buddhism & Psychotherapy, Buddhism & Science, and Clinical Applications of Meditation. Further information: Dr K. N. Dwivedi, Psychiatric Tutor, Springfield, Northampton (telephone 0604 30082).

A one day course 'Examination Techniques for the **MRCPsych**' will be held at Charing Cross Hospital on 1 November. The course is approved for study leave expenses under HM (67)27. Final date for registration *17 October 1986*. Course organiser: Dr Chris Thompson. Further information: Tricia Carroll, Department of Psychiatry, Charing Cross & Westminster Medical School, 24 St Dunstons Road, London W6. (telephone 01 748 2040, ext. 3010).

A Working Conference for Feminist Psychotherapists will be held at Beechwood College, Leeds from 4–5 April 1987. Application forms: Women's Counselling & Therapy Service, Oxford Place Methodist Centre, Leeds LS1 3AX (telephone Leeds 455725).

The 4th Annual Meeting of the UK Branch of the Society for Psychotherapy Research will be held at Raven Hall, near Scarborough, North Yorkshire from 26–27 April 1987. Intending participants should send abstracts of papers (approximately 500 words), outlines of symposia, and suggestions for workshops to Dr Michael Barkham, MRC/ESRC Social and Applied Psychology Unit, The University, Sheffield S10 2TN (telephone 0742 756600) by *1 December 1986*.

A conference to bring together recent studies of the effects of housing conditions on the health of occupiers '**Unhealthy Housing: A Diagnosis**', organised by the Legal Research Institute, University of Warwick and the Institution of Environmental Health Officers, will be held at the University of Warwick from 14–16 December 1986. Programmes and registration forms: Rosemary McMahon, Conference Administrator, The Institution of Environmental Health Officers, Chadwick House, Rushworth Street, London SE1 0QT (telephone 01 928 6006).

The 4th Congress of the European Society of Hypnosis in Psychotherapy and Psychosomatic Medicine, sponsored by the Royal Society of Medicine, will be held from 11–17 July 1987 at St Catherine's College, Oxford. Further information: Mrs M. Samuels, the Secretary, 42 Links Road, Ashted, Surrey KT21 2HJ (telephone Ashted 73522).

The 2nd Annual TAPS (Team for Assessment of Psychiatric Services) Conference will be held at Claybury Hospital on 3 December 1986 to discuss methods for evaluating the process of closure of Claybury and the partial closure of Friern psychiatric hospitals. Further details: Dr Julian Leff, Honorary Director, TAPS, Research Unit, Friern Hospital, Friern Barnet Road, London N11 3BP.

The Association for Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy (APP) will be holding its Autumn Conference entitled 'Creating Psychotherapy Services in the NHS' at the Royal College of Nursing, 20 Cavendish Square, London W1 on 22 November 1986. Topics will include institutional dynamics and resistance to change; personal issues confronting both the psychotherapist and the trainee; setting up (a) a new psychotherapy clinic, (b) psychotherapy services in a large psychiatric institution. Dr Colin James will be in the chair and the speakers will be Drs Sandra Grant, Bob Hinshelwood, Anton Obholzer, Mike Sinason, John Steiner and Mr John Keene. The conference will end with a dinner at which Dr Tom Main will be guest speaker. Application forms: Ms Jocelyn Gamble, Administrative Secretary to APP, Tavistock Centre, 120 Belsize Lane London NW3 5BA.