

Forthcoming events

A meeting entitled '**Restrictive Drug Lists – A Worldwide Controversy**' will be held at the Royal Society of Medicine, London, on 12 October 1988. Further information and registration forms: Barbara Komoniewska, The Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE (telephone 01-408 2119, extension 301).

The World Federation of Societies of Biological Psychiatry (WFSBP) will be holding a regional congress entitled '**Biological Aspects of Non-psychotic Disorders**' in Jerusalem from 2–7 April 1989 and there is now a call for abstracts. Abstracts should be submitted to the Secretariat not later than 1 January 1989, together with registration form and fees. Further information: The Secretariat, WFSBP Regional Congress on Biological Aspects of Non-Psychotic Disorders, P.O.B. 983, Jerusalem 91009, Israel (telephone 010 972 2 527335; fax 010 972 3 655674 or 010 972 2 533717).

The **9th International Congress of Psychosomatic Obstetrics and Gynaecology** entitled 'Women's Health in the 1990s' will be held at the RAI Congress Centre, Amsterdam from 28–31 May 1989. Further information: 9th International Congress of Psychosomatic Obstetrics and Gynaecology, QLT Convention Services, Keizersgracht 792, 1017 EC Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

The **South London Psychotherapy Training Centre** will be holding a workshop entitled 'The Therapeutic Relationship' on 16 November 1988. Fee: £30. A training workshop entitled 'Theories and Therapy of Depression' will be held on 19 and 20 January 1989. Fee: £60. Both workshops will be run by Lilly H. Stuart, Clinical Psychologist and TA trainer in training. Further details: South London Psychotherapy Training Centre, 106 Heathwood Gardens, London SE7 8ER (please send stamped, addressed envelope). For urgent last minute bookings telephone 01-854 3606.

The Tavistock Clinic will be offering a part-time course of six weekly sessions entitled '**Understanding the Management of Perinatal Bereavement**' on Wednesdays from 9–14 December 1988 inclusive. A new course is held each term with a follow-up in the next term. Fees: £55, including registration fee of

£10. Application forms: The Training Administrator, The Tavistock Clinic, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3 5BA.

A WPA regional symposium entitled '**The Research and Clinical Interface for Psychiatric Disorders**' will be held from 13–16 October 1988 at the Washington Hilton Hotel. Further details: Office of International Affairs, American Psychiatric Association, 1400 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20005, USA.

A WPA regional symposium entitled '**Mental Health Community Services**' will be held in Granada, Spain from 29 March–1 April 1989. Deadline for submission of abstracts: 31 December 1988. Further information: Secretariat, Simposio Regional, Avenida del Sur 13, E-18071, Spain.

A two year part-time course leading to a **Certificate in Health Education** is being offered by the University of Manchester. Course meetings will take place between 3.45 and 8.15 p.m. on Wednesdays for 25 weeks in each term time, commencing 5 October 1988. There is a residential weekend in each year and the first will be held on 14 and 15 October 1988 at the University's Residential Centre. Further information and application forms: Bryan Luckham, Department of Extra Mural Studies, The University, Manchester M13 9PL (telephone 061-275 3290).

The Institute of Child Health (University of London) will be holding an intensive two day course on 3 and 4 October 1988 entitled '**Child Psychiatry for the MRCPsych**' for doctors sitting the MRCPsych Part II examination. Abstracts will be provided for revision purposes. Fee: £80. Further details: Short Courses Office, Institute of Child Health, 30 Guilford Street, London WC1N 1EH (telephone 01-829 8692).

The Association for Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy in the NHS (APP) is offering three multidisciplinary **Seminars in Child Work** from October 1988–July 1989: conducted by Dr Elspeth Earle, Consultant Psychotherapist/Psychoanalyst in Maidstone Hospital, Kent on Thursdays from 1.00 p.m.–2.30 p.m.; conducted by Dr Alicia Etchegoyen, Consultant Child Psychiatrist/Psychoanalyst in the Westminster Children's Hospital, London SW1 on Fridays from

12.00 p.m.–1.00 p.m.; conducted by Dr Geraldine Fitzpatrick, Consultant Child Psychiatrist/Psychologist in St George's Hospital, London SW17 on Thursdays from 9.00 a.m.–10.30 a.m. Candidates should be engaged in clinical work (not necessarily formal psychotherapy) with children. The seminars are free of charge. Application forms and further details: Dr A. Etchegoyen, The Gordon Hospital, Bloomburg Street, London SW1 2RH (telephone 01-828 9811, extension 264).

The Portman Clinic will be holding a series of eight monthly consultation–supervision seminars on **Group Psychotherapy of Sexual Perversions – Delinquency – Crime** from 2.00–5.00 p.m. every fourth Friday in the month from 28 October 1988. This is designed for professionals in the field who work in special hospitals, special units and forensic departments who are already engaged in group therapy and also for those who wish to start to run programmes for group psychotherapy for their patients. It has been especially arranged to suit applicants who wish to have consultation and supervision on their work and who may work out of London. Registration fee: £120. Closing date for application form: 30 September 1988. Further information: Dr Estela Welldon, Clinical Tutor, Portman Clinic, 8 Fitzjohn's Avenue, London NW3 5NA.

The Portman Clinic is again offering a course of **weekly seminars** exploring the **psychodynamic basis of sexual perversion and social deviancy** from 11 October 1988–4 July 1989. The seminars will take place on Tuesdays from 1.00–2.30 p.m. There will be ten seminars to a term and the course will run for three terms. It is open to medical and non-medical professionals who have had some, although not necessarily extensive experience in psychotherapy. Fee for the three terms: £175. The course has been approved under Section HM67/27 and HM63. Closing date for application: 21 September 1988. Further information: Dr Estela V. Welldon, Clinical Tutor, Portman Clinic, 8 Fitzjohn's Avenue, London NW3 5NA.

The Portman Clinic will be holding a series of **weekly Ward Rounds** from 5.00–6.30 p.m. every Monday for three terms starting on 10 October 1988. The aim is to familiarise junior psychiatrists (SHOs and registrars) with the basic psychodynamic principles of forensic psychotherapy. Participants are expected to present material from patients that they are seeing on either an in-patient or out-patient basis. Participants will be accepted for a minimum of any one term and longer participation is encouraged. Fee: £50 per term. Closing date for applications: 21 September 1988. Further information: Dr E. V. Welldon, Clinical

Tutor, Portman Clinic, 8 Fitzjohn's Avenue, London NW3 5NA.

Professor Salvador Minuchin and the Marlborough Family Service will be holding a two-day workshop entitled '**Children and the Structural Approach: Points of Departure and Current Positions**' on 23 and 24 September 1988. Fee: £65 (inclusive of tea/coffee and evening social). Further information and application forms: The Marlborough Family Service, 38 Marlborough Place, London NW8 0PJ (telephone 01-624 8605). (Please send stamped addressed envelope).

A **one day symposium on mental handicap** will be held on 10 October 1988 at Royal Hospital, Calow Chesterfield (North Derbyshire Health Authority). A wide range of topics relevant to mental handicap will be presented. Approved under Section 63. Suitable for psychiatrists/trainee psychiatrists, GPs and other professionals with an interest in mental handicap. Fee: £10. Further information: Dr E. M. R. de Saram, Consultant Psychiatrist (Mental Handicap), Whittington Hall Hospital, Old Whittington, Chesterfield S41 9LJ (telephone 0246 77271, extension 715/753).

A workshop entitled '**Family Therapy, Drug Addiction and Substance Abuse**' run by Zena Peatfield and Dennis Yandoli will be held on 23 September 1988 at the Institute of Family Therapy (London). Cost: £23. Further details: Training Administrator, Institute of Family Therapy (London), 43 New Cavendish Street, London W1M 7RG (telephone 01-935 1651).

A workshop entitled '**Mental Handicap and the Family**' run by Dr Sophie Thomson and Dr Sheila Hollins will be held on 7 October 1988 at the Institute of Family Therapy (London). Further details: Training Administrator, Institute of Family Therapy (London), 43 New Cavendish Street, London W1M 7RG (telephone 01-935 1651).

The **XVth Congress of the International Association for Suicide Prevention** will be held at the Brussels Congress Centre, Belgium, from 11–14 June 1989. The Congress main topic will be suicide and aggression and symposia topics will be suicide, aggression and the law; suicide, aggression and psychotherapy; suicide, aggression and psychobiology. Registration and information: Administrative Secretariat, European Congress Consultants and Organisers, Rue Vilain XIII, 17a–B-1050, Brussels, Belgium.

The **Psychophysiology Society** will be holding its **15th Annual Meeting** on 15 and 16 December 1988

at the National Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Queen Square, London WC1N 3BE. Call for papers: Dr D. Papakostopoulos, Burden Neurological Institute, Stoke Lane, Bristol BS16 1QT. Further information: Conference Secretary: Dr G. Barrett, National Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Queen Square, London WC1N 3BG (telephone 01 837 3611). Details of satellite symposium on 'Hyperventilation': Dr W. Gardner, Chest Unit, Kings College Hospital Medical School, Denmark Hill, London SE5 8RX (telephone 01-274 6222, extension 2214).

A one-day symposium entitled 'Urbanisation and Mental Health' chaired by Dr Norman Sartorius of the World Health Organization will be held on 28 October 1988 at the Institute of Psychiatry, London. Further information: Dean's Office, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, London SE5 8AF.

A symposium entitled 'Henry Maudsley and his Contribution to Psychiatry', organised by the *British Journal of Psychiatry* and the College Library, will be held at Robinson College, Cambridge, on 6 October 1988. Enrolment fee: £15 (includes morning coffee, 3 course lunch, and tea). A few places are still available. Further information: Dr G. E. Berrios, Department of Psychiatry, Addenbrooke's Hospital (Level 4), Hills Road, Cambridge CB2 2QQ.

The 32nd Two-stream Residential Revision Course for MRCPsych Part I and Membership Examinations will be held from 14–21 September 1988 at the University of Surrey, Guildford. Further details: Mrs O. Wellden, Administrator, Belmont Postgraduate Psychiatric Centre, Chiltern Wing, Sutton Hospital, Cotswold Road, Sutton, Surrey SM2 5NF.

The National Unit for Psychiatric Research and Development, Lewisham Hospital, will be holding its Annual Conference entitled 'The Organization of Community Based Care for People with Long Term Mental Illness' on 26 and 27 September 1988 at the University of York. There will be an address by Lord Skelmersdale and discussion on the relative roles of the NHS, Local Authority and voluntary Sector: after Griffiths, what next? Cost: £130

(two nights residential); £115 (one night residential). Further details and application forms: NUPRD, Lewisham Hospital, 3rd Floor Nurses Home, Lewisham High Street, London SE13 6LH (telephone 01-690 1184).

The Association of Behavioural Clinicians' Annual Conference will be held on 14 October 1988 at St George's Hospital Medical School. Speakers will include: Professor Isaac Marks, Drs David Clarke, John Cobb, Michael Crowe, Paul Salkovskis and Lynne Drummond. Registration is free. Further details: Mrs June Lake, Department of Psychiatry, St George's Hospital Medical School, Level O, Jenner Wing, Cranmer Terrace, Tooting, London SW17 0RE (telephone 01-672 9944, extension 55543).

The Royal College of Pathologists are holding a half-day symposium entitled 'Hypoxia and Vascular Disorders of the Nervous System' on 7 December 1988 at the Royal College of Pathologists. The programme is approved by the Thames Postgraduate Deans and hospital doctors may apply to their employing authority for study leave under HM(67)27. Further details and application forms: Scientific Meetings Officer, Royal College of Pathologists, 2 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AF (telephone 01-930 5861).

A multi-disciplinary conference entitled 'Child Sexual Abuse: The Way Forward after Cleveland' will be held from 10 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. on 23 September 1988 at Westminster Central Hall and Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre. Speakers at Plenary Conference Sessions: The Right Hon. Lord Justice Butler-Sloss (Chairman of the Cleveland Inquiry); John Chant (Cleveland Inquiry Director) and Professor David Hull and Leonard Soper (Cleveland Inquiry Assessors). Chairman: Baroness Faithfull (President, The National Children's Bureau). Fee: £74.75 (including VAT). Cheques should be made payable to LGG. Further information: Law Society Local Government Group, 79 Merton Hall Road, Wimbledon, London SW19 3PX. Fax bookings: LGG Fax No. 01 542 2295.

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