
Miscellany

The Lucy Faithfull Travel Scholarship Fund

Baroness Faithfull, who died in 1996, devoted her life to the care of deprived or disturbed children. A travel scholarship in her name of £2500, is to be awarded in June 1999. Applications are invited from senior trainees, or consultants within two years of appointment, in the specialities of child psychiatry or community child health who wish to broaden their experience or conduct research in other centres in the UK or abroad. The closing date for applications is 20 March 1999. Further information: Mr M. H. Gough, PO Box 229, Kidlington, OX5 3YT.

MIND Millennium Awards

In the run-up to the year 2000, The Millennium Commission is making funds available for the MIND Millennium Awards. The scheme currently has over 140 award winners developing different ideas and projects to help break down stigma and prejudice that surrounds mental health. However, it remains under-subscribed, and applications are invited from individuals and small groups to help with projects relevant to mental health which offer a benefit to the local community, and raise the profile of mental health. Particularly welcome are one-off events and projects taking place in 1999, which need funding of around £1000-£5000. Further information: The Millennium Awards Team MIND, 15-19 Broadway, London E15 4BQ (Telephone: 0181 519 2122 extension 285).

UK Register of Expert Witnesses

J. S. Publications are preparing the 12th edition of the *UK Register of Expert Witnesses*, a 'live' database of expert witnesses and expertise. With over 3000 experts currently listed, the Register is primarily used by solicitors and barristers but may also be purchased by insurers and corporate lawyers. Individuals from any discipline can be listed provided they have been recommended by at least one solicitor who has instructed them to write a report or give expert evidence in court. Inclusion on the Web Register is also offered. Further information: Kate Porter, J. S. Publications, PO Box 505, Newmarket, Suffolk CB8 7TF (Telephone: 01638 561 590, Fax: 01638 560 294, e-mail: Ukrew@jspubs.com).

New publications

The Clinical Effectiveness project Team at the Royal College of Psychiatrists' Research Unit has produced *Improving the Care of Elderly People with Mental Health Problems: Clinical Audit Project Examples*. This book focuses on mental health services for elderly people and contains 43 'live' examples of clinical audit projects that have been undertaken in services throughout Britain. It also includes notes and advice from the clinicians who undertook the projects, examples of standards used, clinical audit resources and relevant references. Further information: Kirsty MacLean Steel (Telephone: 0171 235 2351 extension 273).

The Health and Safety Executive has published a report entitled *From Accidents to Assaults - How Organisational Responses to Traumatic Incidents Can Prevent Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder in the Workplace*. The report explores what can be done to stop the symptoms that can result from traumatic incidents developing into more serious illness, and looks at the effectiveness of counselling in preventing post-traumatic stress disorder. Priced at £32.50, copies are available from (ref. CRR 195/98, ISBN 0-7176-1631-2): HSE Books, PO Box 1999, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 6FS (Telephone: 01787 881 165, Fax: 01787 313 995).

The National Depression Campaign has produced new materials on depression and employment based on the findings of their three National Employment Voice Conferences. *Wanting to Work* is a leaflet containing recommendations for people wanting to return to work after a depressive illness, and *Understanding Depression for Employers and Managers* is a leaflet that looks at ways of recognising and managing depression, preventative measures and frequent concerns. An *Employers Display Pack on Depression* including cartoon posters for display in the work place is also available. Copies can be obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to: National Depression Campaign, 35 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB. Order forms for the display pack can be obtained by calling the following telephone number: 0171 207 3293.

Caring for Ethnic Minority Elders, by Yasmin Alibhai-Brown, is a new title from Age Concern Books. Extensively researched over three years,

the book is based on interviews with more than 120 older people from 10 cultural minority communities, and looks at good practice service providers should adopt in working with ethnic minority elders. Suitable to those working in health, social care or any other field providing for

or working with older people from every background, the book is available at £14.99 and can be ordered from: Mail Order Department, Age Concern England, Astral House, 1268 London Road, London SW16 4ER (Telephone: 0181 765 7203/8).

Forthcoming events

The Third UK Workshop on Evidence-Based Medicine in Psychiatry will be held at Merton College, Oxford, on 6–9 April 1999. Strategies covered will include searching for and critically appraising evidence, and using research findings in everyday clinical practice. The workshop will use a problem-based approach, involving both small group work and lectures. Participants will be shown how evidence-based medicine can help in making clinical decisions concerning diagnosis, treatment, prognosis and harm. There will also be plenty of opportunities for informal discussion. Further information: Mr Andre Tomlin, Centre for Evidence-Based Mental Health, Department of Psychiatry, University of Oxford, Warneford Hospital, Oxford, OX3 7JX (Telephone: 01865 226 480, Fax: 01865 793 101, e-mail: cebmh.enquiries@psychiatry.ox.ac.uk, Web:<http://www.psychiatry.ox.ac.uk/cebmh>).

Rampton Hospital Authority, in partnership with The University of Sheffield, are organising a one-day national conference entitled **Drugs, Alcohol and Crime – Issues in Forensic Mental Health**. Taking place on 17 March 1999 at the Ranmoor House Halls of Residence, University of Sheffield, the conference aims to act as a clinical training day. The speakers will be sharing examples of assessment, treatment and management approaches both within the UK and in the international community. Further information: Ms Joanne Gleaden, Professional Education Department, Rampton Hospital, Retford, Nottinghamshire DN22 0PD (Telephone: 01777 248 321, Fax: 01777 248 442).

Post Graduate Certificate in Supervision and Mentorship (Child Care) is the title of a new course being offered by Leicester University. This distance learning approach will be supplemented by a residential seminar and study days, providing

opportunities for individuals to organise their study timetable over a period of 18 months. The next course starts on 15 March 1999. Further information: Lyn Brown, Admissions Secretary, School of Social Work, 107 Princess Road East, Leicester LE1 7LA (Telephone: 0116 252 3760, Fax: 0116 252 3654, e-mail: childprotect@le.ac.uk).

A study day entitled **Transcending the Barriers between Religion and Psychotherapy** is to be held on 25 March 1999 in the Western Rooms Anglican Cathedral, Liverpool in association with the Merseyside Psychotherapy Institute. Further information: Ms Linda Adams, MPI, 26 Barchester Drive, Liverpool L17 (Telephone: 0151 727 4131).

The 53rd Residential Revision Course for the MRCPsych Examinations will be held at the University of Surrey, Guildford on 7–15 April 1999 (Part I) and 15–22 April 1999 (Part II). Further information: Mrs E. C. Denning, Belmont Postgraduate Psychiatric Centre, Chiltern Wing, Sutton Hospital, Sutton, Surrey SM2 5NF (Telephone: 0181 296 4177).

The Ninth Congress of the International Psychogeriatric Association (IPA) is due to take place on 15–20 August 1999 at the Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre in Vancouver, Canada. Mirroring Vancouver's multicultural society, the congress will focus on cultural, regional and professional diversity with the participation of a wide range of professionals involved in the mental health care of older people. Participants will have the opportunity of gaining a world perspective on key developments in this challenging field. Further information: IPA Ninth Congress Secretariat, c/o Venue West Conference Services Ltd, #645–375 Water Street,