

Forthcoming events

The Office of Continuing Medical Education and the Department of Psychiatry, University of Calgary, will be holding a **Clinical Schizophrenia Conference** on 22 and 23 February 1990 at the Health Sciences Centre, Calgary; an advanced seminar entitled **The Treatment of Suicidal Behaviours** will be held on 1 and 2 February 1990. Further information about both events: Office of Continuing Medical Education, University of Calgary, 3330 Hospital Dr NW, Calgary, Alberta T2N 4N1, Canada (telephone (403)-220-7240).

The University of Dundee will be holding the following courses for medical and paramedical teachers: 19–23 March 1990 – **Teaching Techniques for the 1990s**; 26–30 March 1990 – **Assessment in Medical Education**; 2 and 3 April 1990 – **Supervising On-the-job Learning**. All courses approved under Section 63. Further information: Mrs M. Hutton, Course Administrator, Centre for Medical Education, Ninewells Hospital and Medical School, Dundee DD1 9SY, Scotland (telephone 0382 60111, extension 3090; fax: (0)382 645748).

The World Psychiatric Association will be holding a regional symposium hosted by the Hong Kong Psychiatric Association entitled **Psychiatric Treatment in the 21st Century** from 22–25 May 1990. Further information: WPA Regional Symposium, c/o Conference & Exhibition Department, Swire Travel Ltd, Room 1811–1823 Swire House, 9 Connaught Road, Central, Hong Kong (telephone (852) 8448192; fax (852) 8452418).

An experiential workshop entitled **Recent Advances in Management of Erectile Failure** will be held in Ipswich on 7 and 8 April 1990. One day is designated to teach the technique and sensible use of the intracavernous injections. Further information: Dr W. R. Guirguis, St Clement's Hospital, Foxhall Road, Ipswich, Suffolk IP3 8LS.

The British Postgraduate Medical Federation (University of London) will be holding a **one-year day release course in Forensic Psychotherapy** in association with the Portman Clinic in London from October 1990 to July 1991. It is aimed at members of multidisciplinary teams and there will be meetings every Tuesday for one academic year. Fee: £700. Successful participants eligible to attend Portman European Symposium in September. *Closing date for applications: 28 February 1990.* Further details and

application forms: Advanced Courses Department, BPMF, 33 Millman Street, London WC1N 3EJ (telephone 01-831 6222, extension 155).

The Association of University Teachers of Psychiatry will be holding the **5th Residential Psychotherapy Conference** at University College Oxford from 5–7 April 1990 entitled **From Adversity to Creativity – Psychotherapy in the 1990s**. Speakers include Dr Anton Obholzer (Psychodynamic Understanding of the Management of Institutions); Dr David Bell and Ms Wynn Bramley (Use and Abuse of Staff Groups); Dr Bernard Rattigan (Working with AIDS Patients); Dr Zaida Hall (Group Therapy for the Sexually Abused); and Dr Kingsley Norton (Therapeutic Containment of Acting-Out Disorders). Fee: £145 (residential); £115 (non-residential). Further information and application forms: Angela Sheppard, Conference Administrator, Conference Call, 77 Bridge Street, Osney, Oxford OX2 0BD.

There will be a joint meeting of the **Section of Measurement in Medicine** and the **Liaison Psychiatry Group** at the Royal Society of Medicine, London on 12 February 1990. Further information: Mrs Jean Wales at the College.

There will be a conference entitled **The Psychiatry of Organ Transplantation** on 26 June 1990 at the Institute of Child Health, London organised by the Liaison Psychiatry Group. Further information: Mrs Jean Wales at the College.

A conference for **senior registrars in child and adolescent psychiatry, forensic, general, mental handicap, old age and psychotherapy** will be held from 30 March–1 April 1990 at Warwick University. The programme will include a guest lecturer and workshops on management, research and medico/legal issues. Further information: Mrs Jean Wales at the College.

A one week multidisciplinary training course for mental health professionals whose work involves counselling or psychotherapy entitled **The Gestalt Approach in Counselling and Psychotherapy** will be held from 2–6 April 1990 at the University of Exeter. It will provide theoretical and practical training in Gestalt therapy with emphasis on application in everyday clinical practice. Further information: Dr Richard Tillet, Wonford House Hospital, Exeter EX2 5AF (telephone 0392 403446).

The **Fifth Colloquium of the European Pineal Study Group** will be held from 2–7 September 1990 at the University of Surrey. Further information: Dr J. Arendt, Department of Biochemistry, University of Surrey, Guildford, Surrey GU2 5XH (telephone 0483 571281, extension 2504; fax 0483 576978).

The **seventh Annual Meeting of the Society for Psychotherapy Research (SPR) UK** will be held at the Raven Hall Hotel, Ravenscar, near Scarborough, from 1–4 April 1990. The keynote address will be given by Professor Leonard Horowitz (Stanford University, California). Professor Kenneth Howard (Northwestern University, USA) will conduct one of the workshops. The meeting will include both plenary and workshop sessions. Costs: from £145 to £180 depending on rooms (add £10 for non-members), inclusive of registration, accommodation and all meals. *Closing date for bookings: 10 March 1990.* Further details and applications: Jane Hall, MRC/ESRC SAPU, Department of Psychology, The University, Sheffield S10 2TN (telephone 0742 756600).

From October 1990 the Department of Psychiatry at University College London will be offering a one year, part-time London University **Diploma in Inter-Cultural Therapy** course in collaboration with the Nafsiyat Inter-Cultural Therapy Centre. Details: Jafar Kareem, Director, Nafsiyat, 278 Seven Sisters Road, London N4 2HY.

An inter-disciplinary conference entitled **Risk-taking in Mental Disorder** will be held on 23 March 1990 at the University of Southampton. Speakers will include John Gunn, Professor of Forensic Psychiatry, and Herschel Prins, lately Director of the School of Social Work, Leicester University. Further information: Jill Elliott, Continuing Education Manager, Faculty of Law, The University, Southampton SO9 5NH.

An international conference entitled **Schizophrenia 1990: Poised for Discovery** will be held from 15–18 July 1990 in Vancouver. Further information: Conference Secretariat, c/o Venue West Ltd, 801–750 Jervis Street, Vancouver, BC, V6E 2A9, Canada (telephone 604 681 5226; fax 604 681 2503).

The Institute of Psychiatry will be holding a **one day conference on Needs Assessment in Psychiatry** on 20 March 1990. Course fee: £30 (including refreshments

and lunch); and a multidisciplinary conference entitled **Is There a Psychiatry of Sexual Offending?** on 29 March 1990. Course fee: £50 (including lunch and refreshments). Further information about both events: Nadine Morgan, Short Course Organiser, The Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, Denmark Hill, London SE5 8AF (telephone 01 703 5411, extension 3170).

The **1990 Annual Meeting of the Association for Death Education and Counseling (ADEC)** will be held from 21–25 March 1990 at the Hilton Riverside and Towers, New Orleans, Louisiana with three specialty workshops on 22 March: Critical Incident Stress; Impact of AIDS in the Infant/Maternal Population; and Saying 'Goodbye'. Further information: Delpha J. Camp, MS, ADEC Specialty Workshops, 1627 Agate Street, Eugene, Oregon 97403–1921, USA (telephone 503 686 4220).

The British Postgraduate Medical Federation will be holding a modular day-release course for medical and professional health care workers spread over three ten-week terms from 1 February to 14 November 1990 entitled **Working with the Dying and Bereaved**. Supervised practical experience with patients will be followed by a tutorial and an evening lecture. Further information: Courses Department, BPMF, 33 Millman Street, London WC1N 3EJ (telephone 01 831 6222, extension 155).

A two day conference on **Prevention of Depression and Anxiety: The Role of the Practice Team** will be held on 15 and 16 March 1990 at the Royal College of Physicians, Regents Park, London. Speakers include: George Brown (Professor of Sociology); Paul Freeling (Professor of General Practice); David Goldberg (Professor of Psychiatry); and Anthony Mann (Professor of Epidemiology) Fees: £85 for two days, £45 for one day (includes lunch). Further details: Research Secretary, Training and Education Department, MIND, 22 Harley Street, London W1N 2ED.

The Association for the Study of Medical Education (ASME) will be holding a meeting entitled **Effective Continuing Medical Education** at the National Heart & Lung Institute, London on 19 January 1990. Further information: Association for the Study of Medical Education, Level 10, Ninewells Hospital & Medical School, Dundee DD1 9SY (telephone 0382 65235).

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