Special Interest Group

Proposal for a Special Interest Group in Biological Psychiatry

In June 1987 Council approved the establishment of Special Interest Groups.

Procedure for establishing a Special Interest Group:

- (1) Any Member wishing to establish a Special Interest Group shall write to the Registrar with relevant details.
- (2) The Registrar shall forward the application to Council.
- (3) If Council approves the principal of establishing such a Special Interest Group then it will direct the Registrar to place a notice in the *Bulletin*, or its equivalent, asking Members of the College to write in support of such a Group and expressing willingness to participate in its activities.
- (4) If more than 50 Members reply to this notice, then Council shall formally approve the establishment of the Special Interest Group.

(5) The administrative support provided will be similar to that enjoyed by College Divisions. It should be noted therefore, that the College will maintain the list of members, prepare and distribute notice of meetings but will not provide staff to attend meetings, organise conferences etc.

In accordance with this procedure, Council has approved the establishment of a Special Interest Group in Biological Psychiatry. Members are invited to write in support of this Group and express willingness to participate in its activities. Members should write to Mrs Jean Wales at the College. If 50 members reply to this notice for each Group, then Council shall formally approve the establishment of this Special Interest Group.

Professor C. THOMPSON Registrar

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Lundbeck Teaching Fellowship

Fellows and Members of the Royal College of Psychiatrists, working overseas, are invited to apply for a Teaching Fellow from the UK to come to their country to provide a course of teaching in a designated specialist psychiatric subject. Overseas Fellows and Members may suggest a named teacher, but more importance will be given to the topic of their choice than to any individual.

A sum of £5,000 per year has been provided by Lundbeck Limited to cover the travel, living and incidental expenses of the Teaching Fellow who, it is envisaged, will complete the course over a period of two to four weeks. The host centre overseas will not be expected to provide any financial support.

Applications for 1994 should be sent to the Dean, The Royal College of Psychiatrists, 17 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PG by 30 April 1994. The Teaching Fellow will be selected by the Overseas Liaison Committee.

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