

## Forthcoming events

A European conference **The Hidden Power in Psychiatry: Restraints on Mentally Ill People** will be held from 13–15 November 1992 in Blankenberge, Belgium. Further information: VVGG, Kortrijksesteenweg 369, B-9000 Gent, Belgium (fax: 32 91 21 77 25).

The Second Annual Conference **The Promotion of Mental Health** will be held from 28–30 September 1992 at Keele University. Further information: The Conference Office, St George's Hospital, Corporation Street, Stafford ST16 3AG (telephone 0785 57888, extension 5583; fax 0785 58969).

The Annual Conference of the European Regional Council, World Federation for Mental Health **The Changing Scene in Mental Health Care in Europe – the reforms of practice, policies and structures** will be held from 7–10 October 1992 in Thessaloniki, Greece. Further information: ERC/WFMH Secretariat, Franklin Street 110, 1040 Brussels, Belgium.

The International Psychogeriatric Association will be holding a **Workshop on Current Aspects of Alzheimer's Disease and other Dementias, on Psychology and Psychopathology of the Elderly** on 29 and 30 October 1992 in Lille, France. Further information: Professeur Michel Goudemand, Université de Lille II (Faculté de Médecine), Service de Psychiatrie Générale, 6, rue du Professeur Laguesse, 59037 Lille, France (telephone 20 44 45 84; fax 20 52 39 64).

The British Association for Social Psychiatry will be holding a one day multidisciplinary conference **Counselling in Primary Care? Expectations, values and effectiveness** on 6 November 1992 at St George's Hospital, London. Further information: Philippa Weitz, The Conference Unit, Department of Mental Health Sciences, St George's Hospital Medical School, Cranmer Terrace, London SW17 0RE (telephone 081 672 9944; extension 55534).

**The Third Mind & Brain Symposium** will be held on 17 October 1992 at the Institute of Psychiatry, Wolfson Lecture Theatre and will examine current scientific theories relating to the nature and structure of reality. Cost: £40 to include lunch. Cheques to be made payable to Dr Peter Fenwick at the Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, Denmark Hill, London SE5 8AF (telephone 071 703 5411, extension 3278).

**The 2nd Joan Bicknell Essay Lecture Prize – Abuse and whistle blowing in settings where disabled people live** – the winning essay will be presented as a lecture on 15 September 1992 at 6.00 p.m. at St George's Hospital Medical School. Further information and application forms: Mrs Jennifer Pearson, Division of Psychiatry of Disability, Department of Mental Health Sciences, St George's Hospital Medical School, Cranmer Terrace, London SW17 0RE (telephone 081 672 9944, extension 55497).

**The Median Group Section of The Group-Analytic Society (London)** will be holding theoretical seminars, experiential groups and convenors' course during 1992–93. Further information: The Median Group Section, Section Secretary, 14a Bramerton Street, London SW3 5JX.

**The Fourth International Bethel-Cleveland Epilepsy Symposium** will be held in Bielefeld, Germany from 11–14 March 1993. Further information: Prof. Dr Peter Wolf, Epilepsie-Zentrum Bethel, Klinik Mara I, Maraweg 21, W-4800 Bielefeld 13, Germany.

A conference **Improving Good Clinical Practice in Europe: Update '92** will be held from 20–22 October 1992 at the Atrium Hyatt Hotel, Budapest, Hungary. Further information: Christine Bull, Rostrum, Lewis House, 1 Mildmay Road, Romford, Essex RM7 7DA (telephone 0708 735191; fax: 0708 734876).

**The Fourth International Conference on the Reduction of Drug Related Harm** will take place from 14–18 March 1993 at the Congress Centre De Doelen, Rotterdam. Further information: Conference Administrator, PO Box 4193, 3006 AD Rotterdam, The Netherlands (telephone 31 10 413 28 92; fax 31 10 412 80 90).

**The 9th World Congress of Psychiatry** will be held in Rio from 6–12 June 1993 with the main theme *Psychiatry for the 21st Century*. Further information: Secretariat, JZ Promocoes e Assessoria de Congressos Ltda., Rua Visconde Silva, 52/gr. 505, Rio de Janeiro – RJ – Brazil 22271 (telephone 55 21 286 2846; fax 55 21 226 9351).

**The 2nd International Psychiatry Convention** will take place from 5–8 October 1992 at Bordighera Sanremo and Imperia with the title *1492–1992*.

500 Years of Discoveries, Reflections, Progress. Psychiatry towards 2000. Further information: Public Relations Office S.A.S., Via Gen. M. Belgrano, 7, C.P. 520 18100 Imperia, Italy (telephone 010 39 183 297103; fax 010 39 183 2 97123).

**The IVth World Congress of the World Association for Psychosocial Rehabilitation** will take place from 26–29 September 1993 at Trinity College, Dublin with the theme *Towards a Better Future for the Mentally Ill*. Further information: IVth WAPR Congress, Agenda Conference Services Ltd., 10 Hagan's Court, Lad Lane, Dublin 2, Ireland (telephone 353 1 618904; fax 353 1 785047).

**The Lionel Monteith Lecture Has the Recognition of Child Sexual Abuse changed the Practice of Psychotherapy?** will be given by Dr Brendan MacCarthy at the Monkton Theatre, St George's Hospital, London SW17 on 10 November 1992 (8.30–10.00 p.m.). Admission by ticket (£8.00). Further information: Mrs Joanna Newland, Business Manager, The Lincoln Clinic and Institute for Psychotherapy, 19 Abbeville Mews, 88 Clapham Park Road, London SW4 7BX (telephone 071 978 1545).

**Community Care: Choices and Challenges for Minority Ethnic Groups**, a one day multidisciplinary conference, will be held in Leicester on 17 October 1992. Further information: Dr S. Nayani, Consultant Psychiatrist, Carlton Hayes Hospital, Narborough, Leicestershire LE9 5ES (telephone 0533 863481).

The Sixth International Conference of the Marcé Society **Recent Advances in Child Bearing and Mental Health** will be held at the Edinburgh Conference Centre, Heriot-Watt University, from 2–4 September 1992. Further information: Mrs Elizabeth Howe, Conference Organiser, Marcé Conference Secretariat, Bell Howe Conferences, 1 Willoughby Street, Beeston, Nottingham NG9 2IT.

A conference **150 Years of Psychiatry** will be held at the University of Cologne from 26–30 September 1992. Further information: Geschäftsstelle der DGPN, Joseph-Stelzmann-Strasse 9, 5000 Cologne 41, Germany.

The 1st International Conference of the European College for the Study of Consciousness (ECSC) **Worlds of Consciousness** will be held in Gottingen,

Germany from 24–27 September 1992. Further information: Eurokongress GmbH, Rosental 3, D-8000 Munich 2, Germany (telephone 49 89 2609013; fax 49 89 267341).

A European Conference **Palliative Care for All: Directions for the Decade** will be held at the Royal Lancaster Hotel, Lancaster Gate, London W2, on 12 and 13 November 1992. Further information: Palliative Care for All, c/o Concorde Services Ltd, 10 Wendell Road, London W12 9RT.

#### Courses

**The Henderson Hospital Introductory Course in Groupwork** will take place at Sutton Hospital, Surrey, on ten consecutive Tuesdays from 6 October–8 December 1992. Further information: Groupwork Course Secretary, Henderson Hospital, 2 Homeland Drive, Sutton, Surrey SM2 5LT (telephone 081 661 1611; fax 081 770 3676).

The Family Planning Association will be holding the following courses: **Sexuality and Communication**, from 20–22 October 1992; **Groupwork in Practice: Module one** – 14–17 October 1992, **Module two** – 9–12 December 1992, **Module three** – 10–13 February 1993; **Sexual Abuse and Learning Difficulties**, 18–20 February 1993. The courses will take place at FPA, 27–35 Mortimer Street, London W1N 7RJ. Further information: Helen Wallace (telephone 071 636 7866; extension 222).

A course **Anxiety: Background, Techniques and Clinical Trial Design** will be held on 22–23 September at The Royal Society of Medicine, London. Further information about this and other courses: Christine Bull, Rostrum, Lewis House, 1 Mildmay Road, Romford, Essex RM7 7DA (telephone 0708 735191; fax: 0708 734876).

The **11th workshop on Death and Learning Disability** will be held on 1 and 9 March 1993 in the Department of Mental Health Sciences at St George's Hospital Medical School, Tooting. Further information: Jennifer Pearson, Course Secretary, Division of Psychiatry of Disability, St George's Hospital Medical School, Cranmer Terrace, Tooting, London SW17 0RE (telephone 081 672 9944, extension 55497).

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