

Research Committee

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Key to Abbreviations used above

APIT	Association of Psychiatrists in Training
AVSC	Audio-Visual Sub-Committee
CTSC	Clinical Tutors' Sub-Committee
DHSS	Department of Health and Social Security
LRLSC	Library and Reading Lists Sub-Committee
Manpower	Manpower Committee
NSC	Nursing Sub-Committee
OTSC	Overseas Trainees' Sub-Committee
SHHD	Scottish Home and Health Department
WPT	Working Party Trainees
WPWIP	Working Party on Women in Psychiatry

M.R.C.PSYCH. EXAMINATIONS—SPRING 1979

The next M.R.C.Psych. Examinations will take place on the following dates:

Preliminary Test—Wednesday 28 March 1979

Membership Examination (written papers)—
Wednesday 9 May 1979

Membership Examination (clinicals and orals)—
Monday 14 to Wednesday 17 May 1979

The closing date for receipt of entries is
WEDNESDAY 28 FEBRUARY 1979.

The fees for each entry are £30 for the Preliminary Test and £50 for the Membership Examination.

The written papers will be held in London, Birmingham, Glasgow and Dublin. The clinical and oral examinations will be held in London, Birmingham and Glasgow.

Prospective candidates are reminded that late entries WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Where candidates have undertaken part-time or overseas experience in psychiatry, or are required to submit the name and address of their Clinical Tutor or Consultant Chief, the entry forms should be submitted at least three weeks in advance so that the application may be

finalized before the closing date is reached. All candidates are required to pass the Preliminary Test before sitting for the Membership Examination.

Regulations and application forms are obtainable from the Examinations Secretary, 17 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PG, together with copies of past Essay Question Papers at 50p per set for 1971-1975, 20p per set for 1976 and 25p per set for 1977/78, inclusive of UK postage. These sets include sample multiple choice questions. Airmail postage is extra according to area.

The 4th Edition of the *Reading List in Psychiatry* is available direct from the printers, Messrs Headley Brothers Ltd, Ashford, Kent TN24 8HH, at a cost of 40p including UK postage. Airmail postage extra according to area. Cheques/postal orders should be made payable to 'Headley Brothers Ltd'.

All Members and Fellows are asked to bring this announcement to the notice of any prospective candidates who may be working under their guidance.

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COLLEGE MEETINGS

Annual and Quarterly Meetings of the College will be held on the following dates in 1979:

6 and 7 February	London
1 and 2 May	Sheffield
10-12 July (Annual Meeting)	Exeter
15 and 16 November	London

and on the following dates in 1980:

5 and 6 February	London
6 and 7 May	venue to be announced
8-11 July (Annual Meeting)	venue to be announced
20 and 21 November	London

WORKSHOP IN RESEARCH METHODS FOR PSYCHIATRY

The University of Birmingham and the Research Committee of the College are planning an intensive residential course to deal with practical aspects of carrying out psychiatric research. It is envisaged that this will be particularly appropriate for psychiatrists in training, but others will not be excluded. There will be discussion papers and small group seminars dealing with specific research problems. It is hoped that this workshop will act as a stimulus to initiate research.

The course will take place from 21-24 May at Stowe House, Lichfield, and the number of participants will be limited. Enquiries should be addressed to Dr A. C. P. Sims, Department of Psychiatry, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham B15 2TH.