## **Forthcoming events**

The Winter Meeting of the British Neuropsychiatry Association will be held on 26 January 1990 at the Institute of Psychiatry, London SE5. The topic will be the Neuropsychiatry of Dementia. Speakers will include Professor Lantos (Pathology of AIDS Dementia), Professor Levy (THA Therapy), Dr Rossor (Focal Neurological Dementing Syndromes), Dr Brayn (Epidemiology of Alzheimer's Dementia), Dr Huppert (Normal Ageing and the Brain) and Dr Hardy (Genetics of the Dementias). Members are invited to submit video presentations on this subject. Further details: Dr J. M. Bird (Hon Secretary), Burden Neurological Hospital, Stoke Lane, Stapleton, Bristol BS16 1QT (telephone 0272 701212, extension 2925).

The University of Bologna Institute of Psychiatry will be holding the 3rd European Symposium on Suicidal Behaviour from 26–29 September 1990 (not 3-6 October as stated in the August *Psychiatric Bulletin*). Further information: Dr Maurizio Bellini, Organising Committee Coordinator, Instituo di Psichiatria, via S. Luca 9/2, 40135 Bologna, Italy.

An international symposium entitled **Child Care in** the Early Years: Research and Future Prospects will be held in Lausanne from 12–14 September 1990. Further information: Blaise Pierrehumbert, PhD, SUPEA Research Unit, 25A, Rue du Bugnon, CH 1005, Lausanne, Switzerland.

The British Postgraduate Medical Federation offer a training course with placement of participants in hospital, hospice and community setting entitled **Working with the Dying and Bereaved**. It will begin on 1 February 1990 and will take place on one day per week for three 10-week terms over one year. Application forms and further information: Mrs Elizabeth Patience, Dying and Bereaved Course Coordinator, BPMF, 33 Millman Street, London WC1N 3EJ (telephone 01 831 6222, extension 155).

The Prevention Research Project at MIND will be holding a one day conference entitled **Implementing Preventive Support Services for Schizophrenia** on 27 November 1989 at the Royal College of Physicians, 11 St Andrew's Place, Regent's Park, London NW1. Fee: £45 (including lunch). *Closing date for applications: 15 November 1989*. Further information: The Research Secretary, Training and Education Department, MIND, 22 Harley Street, London W1N 2ED (Fax 01 323 0061).

The Department of Psychiatry of the Free University of Amsterdam will be holding a European Congress on the Early Detection of Alzheimer's Disease: Biological Markers and Longitudinal Research in November 1990. Further information: Professor W. van Tilburg, Department of Psychiatry, Free University of Amsterdam, Valeriuskliniek, Valeriusplein 9, 1075 BG Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

An introductory course on the Fundamentals of Gestalt Psychotherapy will be held from 13–14 November 1989. Further details of this and other courses: Metanoia, Psychotherapy Training Institute, 13 North Common Road, London W5 2QB (telephone 01 579 2505).

The World Psychiatric Association Geriatric Psychiatry Section, together with the Department of Psychiatry, University of Melbourne, and the Section in Psychiatry of Old Age, The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists will be holding an International Symposium on Functional Psychiatric Disorders in the Elderly from 26–28 November 1990 in Melbourne. Further information: Associate Professor Edmond Chiu, Department of Psychiatry, St Vincent's Hospital, Victoria Parade, Fitzroy, Vic. 3065, Australia.

MIE 90 (Medical Informatics Europe 90) Ninth International Congress will be held in Glasgow from 20–23 August 1990. Its theme will be 'Health Added Value' from health information systems. There is now a call for papers (*deadline 1 December 1989*). Further information: Dr J. S. Bryden, Consultant in Health Information, Greater Glasgow Health Board, Department of Public Health Medicine, McLeod Street, Glasgow G4 0RA (telephone 041 553 1833, extension 222).

A conference on long-term mental illness in the community entitled **Positive Approaches to Community Care** will be held on 15 November 1989 at Winchester Guildhall. Further information: Terry Hammond, National Schizophrenia Fellowship, 17 Oxford Street, Southampton SO1 1DJ (telephone 0703 225664). A meeting entitled **Transcultural Psychiatry Today** and Ethnic Issues will be held on 14 November 1989 at 2.15 p.m. at the Bland Sutton Lecture Theatre, Middlesex Hospital, Mortimer Street, London W1. The speakers will be Dr Bashir Qureshi, GP and Community Health Officer West London, and Professor Julian Leff, MRC Social Psychiatry Unit, Institute of Psychiatry, London. Further information: Conference Department, Royal Society of Health, 38A St George's Drive, London SW1V 4BH (telephone 01 630 0121).

A conference entitled Neurological and Neuropsychological Complications of HIV infection: Update 1990 (a conference prior to the VI International Conference on AIDS) will be held at the Monterey Sheraton Hotel and Monterey Convention Center from 16–19 June 1990. Further information: Kenness Canada Inc., PO Box 200, Station B, Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3B 3J7.

Sir Martin Roth will deliver the F. E. Williams Lecture on 5 December 1989 at 5.15 p.m. at the Royal College of Physicians of London. The subject will be **Alzheimer's Disease – Retrospect and Prospect**. Further information: The Secretary, Royal College of Physicians of London, 11 St Andrew's Place, Regent's Park, London NW1 4LE.

A one day conference for professionals involved in the provision and practice of rehabilitation entitled **The Challenge of Brain Injury Rehabilitation: piecing together the puzzle** will be held on 1 December at the King's Fund Centre, London. Further information: Mrs S. White, Grafton Manor Head Injury Rehabilitation Unit, Grafton Regis, Towcester, Northants NN12 7SS.

The World Health Organisation will be holding World Health Day: Our Planet Our Health – Think Globally – Act Locally on 7 April 1990. Further information: Division of Information and Public Relations, Office 5066, World Health Organisation, CH-1211, Geneva 27, Switzerland.

The First International Conference on **Psychology** and the Performing Arts will be held at the Institute of Psychiatry from 5–7 July 1990. Further information: Dr Glenn Wilson, Department of Psychology, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, London SE5 8AF (telephone 01 703 5411, extension 3524/3245. Direct line for messages: 01 701 7255).

The Sixth Lesbians in Health Care Conference will be held on 9 December 1989 at Wesley House, Wild Court, Kingsway, London WC2. Further information: Edwina, 1 Arden House, Pitfield Street, London N1 6QD (enclose sae).

The Tavistock Clinic will be holding a part-time course of six weekly sessions on **Understanding** the Management of Perinatal Bereavement on Wednesday afternoons from 21 February to 28 March 1990. A new course is held each term with a follow-up in the next term. Fees: £60, including £10 registration fee. Application forms: The Training Administrator, The Tavistock Clinic, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3 5BA.

The African Psychiatric Association in collaboration with the Mental Health Association of Tanzania will be holding an international conference on **Rehabilitation of Chronic Psychiatric Patients in Africa** from 8–12 January 1990 at Arusha, Tanzania. Further information: Dr Gad Kilonzo, Chairman, MEHATA, Muhimbili Medical Centre, PO Box 65293, Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania.

The Regional Congress of the World Federation of Societies of Biological Psychiatry will take place in Casablanca on 15 and 16 February 1990. Further information: Professor F. Hakkou, Faculty of Medicine, Bd. Tarik Ibn Ziad, Casablanca, Morocco.

The British Association of Psychotherapists will be holding a two term course starting in January 1990 entitled **Psychoanalytic Aspects of Work with Individ**uals on Monday evenings for 20 weeks. Further details and application forms: The Secretary, British Association of Psychotherapists, Department CC, 121 Hendon Lane, London N3 3PR (telephone 01 346 1747). (See also p. 644).

A national conference on Mental Health Aspects of AIDS is being organised by the National Institute of Crisis Intervention Therapy & Research at the University of York on 27 March 1990. Conference fee: £58; accommodation (B&B): £18. Further information: Dr N. Rao Punukollu at the address below.

The first international conference on **Crisis Inter**vention Approach in Mental Health is being held from 13–15 June 1990 at Regents College London (organised by the National Institute of Crisis Intervention Therapy & Research in association with the American Emergency Psychiatric Association, and Australian and European Crisis Intervention Centres). Conference fee: £125. Further information about both events: Dr N. Rao Punukollu, Co-Ordinator, International Scientific Advisory Group, 63 Nabcroft Lane, Crosland Moor, Huddersfield HD4 5DU (telephone 0484 654711, extension 3588 and 0484 658054).

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