

## Forthcoming events

**Oxford Introductory Course in Group Analysis:** in association with the Institute of Group Analysis (London), an introductory course in the theory and practice of analytic group work will be held in Oxford between October 1990 and June 1991 on Tuesday evenings. It will be of interest to staff of the mental health services and related agencies who use small groups for therapy, training and teaching. Fee: £275. Information and application forms: Mrs Ros Clarke, Psychotherapy Department, Warneford Hospital, Headington, Oxford OX3 7JX.

The **Third Exeter Psychotherapy Conference** will take place from 26–28 September 1990 at Exeter University and will offer presentations in lecture and workshop formats. There is no overall theme: presentations are arranged in three concurrent programmes. Further information: Dr Richard Tillett, Department of Psychotherapy, Wonford House Hospital, Exeter EX2 5AF (telephone 0392 403446).

The British Psycho-Analytical Society will be holding dialogues concerning **biographical research and historical reconstruction in psychoanalysis** on 13 June 1990 (guest: Richard Holmes, winner of the 1990 Whitbread Prize for his biographical study of Coleridge: *Early Visions*); and on 4 July 1990 on **Fundamentalism: Yesterday Today Tomorrow** (guests: Howard Davies, Director of 'The Crucible' at the National Theatre, and members of the cast). Further information: The British Psycho-Analytical Society, 63 New Cavendish Street, London W1M 7RD (telephone 01 580 4952).

Metanoia Psychotherapy Training Institute will be holding courses on **Gestalt Psychotherapy and Transactional Analysis** during June 1990. Further information: Caroline Fish, Administrator, Metanoia Psychotherapy Training Institute, 13 North Common Road, London W5 2QB (telephone 01 579 2505).

The Humane Research Trust will be holding a conference on 6 and 7 September 1990 on **Innovative Design in Non-Animal Research** at the Hunterian Institute, Royal College of Surgeons of England, 35/43 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London. Further information: The Conference Secretary, The Humane Research Trust, Brook House, 29 Bramhall Lane South, Bramhall, Cheshire SK7 2DN (telephone 061 439 8041; fax 061 439 3713).

A two day course on **Teaching Interview Skills** will be held in Manchester on 28 and 29 June 1990. It is designed for psychiatric tutors to help teach interview skills to their trainees. It will be assumed that tutors have local video-tape facilities that they will be able to use for this purpose. The conference will consist of small groups working with videotaped interviews brought by the tutors in order to explore ways of helping trainees to understand and improve their interview skills. Further details: Miss Wendy Hughes, Rawnsley Building, Manchester Royal Infirmary, Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9WL (telephone 061 276 5331).

The **British Institute of Mental Handicap** will be holding its **Annual Conference** from 10–12 September 1990 at the University of York. Further information: Jenny May, Training Officer, BIMH, Wolverhampton Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 3PP.

The **First Residential Conference of the Specialist Section for General Psychiatry** will be held in Stratford-upon-Avon on 12–13 October 1990. Further information: Jean Wales at the College.

The Fourth Annual Facial Pain conference entitled **How to Recognise and Treat Difficult Facial Pain** – a workshop for maxillofacial and dental specialists, ENT and neurosurgeons, neurologists, liaison psychiatrists and anaesthetists will be held at the Eastman Dental Hospital, London on 16 and 17 November 1990. Fee: £100. Further information: Ms Pat Johnson, Student Administrator, Institute of Dental Surgery, Eastman Dental Hospital, Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8LD (telephone 071 837 3636, extension 2044).

An international conference on **Health Care for the Homeless**, organised by the Department of Psychiatry, University College Dublin, is being planned for Spring 1992, contingent upon participant interest shown in response to this notice. Topics: multidisciplinary contributions on how best the physical, mental and social well-being of the homeless can be safeguarded or enhanced. Further information: Dr J. Fernandez, Consultant Psychiatrist, Programme for the Homeless, St Brendan's Hospital, Dublin 7, Ireland (telephone Dublin 392436).

An international symposium: **New Problems and New Ways in Addiction Treating** will be held from 20–25 May 1991 at Baden, near Vienna. Further information: Congress Secretariat, Vienna Academy of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research, Alser Strasse 4, A-1090 Vienna, Austria (telephone 42 13 83 0; fax: 42 13 83 23).

The Third Annual one day symposium on **Current Themes in Mental Handicap: Implications for Future Services** will be held on 13 September 1990 at Guy's Hospital, London. Topics and speakers include: Social Services View (Norman Warner), Health Service View (Elaine Murphy), Case Management (Paul Clifford) and Service Brokerage (David Brandon). Further details: The Symposium Secretary, Psychiatry of Mental Handicap, Division of Psychiatry, Guy's Hospital, London SE1 9RT.

The **First European Congress on the History of Psychiatry and Mental Health Care** will be held from 24–26 October 1990 at 's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands. Further information: First European Congress on the History of Psychiatry and Mental Health Care, c/o Leiden Congress Bureau, PO Box 16065, 2301 GB Leiden, The Netherlands.

An **International Conference on Psychiatric Diagnosis (ICPD '90)** will be held from 5–7 September 1990 at Meijikinenkan, Japan. Further information: Secretariat for ICPD '90, c/o Inter Group Corp., Akasaka Yamakatsu Bldg, 8-5-32 Akasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo 107, Japan.

**William Cullen and the 18th Century Medical World:** a bicentenary celebration will be held at the Royal College of Physicians: Exhibition 18–25 August, Symposium 24–25 August 1990. Further information: The House Convener, Royal College of Physicians, 9 Queen Street, Edinburgh EH2 1JQ.

CRI-TEC (Crisis Training Education Counselling) will be holding a one day conference entitled

**Disaster – What about the workers?** on 28 June 1990 at the Queens Hotel, Leeds. It is open to all disciplines and aims to look in depth at the effect being involved with disasters has on the people who deal with the event and its aftermath. Further information: Avril Handscombe, Nurse Manager – Trauma, Leeds General Infirmary, Great George Street, Leeds LS1 3EX (telephone 0532 432799).

**Schizophrenia and the Primary Care Team: Prevention and Good Practice:** this two day conference for GPs and members of the primary health care team, organised by the Department of Health and RDP (Research and Development in Psychiatry) and chaired by the Royal College of General Practitioners, will be held at the Robin Brook Centre, St Bartholomew's Hospital, London EC1 on 2 and 3 July 1990. PGEA approval granted. Further details: Vida Field, RDP, 134–138 Borough High Street, London SE1 1LB (telephone 071 403 8790).

The **Third Annual Scientific Meeting of the Computers in Psychiatry Special Interest Group** will take place at the University of Kent at Canterbury on 20–21 September 1990. Further details: Dr Gyles Glover, Department of Community Medicine, Charing Cross and Westminster School of Medicine, London (telephone: 071 828 1519).

A one day seminar entitled **Training for Trainers (How to Present Training Programmes that Obtain Results)** will be held in London on 2 July and in Manchester on 9 July 1990. Fee: £95. Further information: CareerTrack International, Inc., Carina East, Sunrise Parkway, Linford Wood, Milton Keynes MK14 6PZ.

The Fourth Leeds Psychopathology Symposium entitled **Delusions and Awareness of Reality** will be held on 20–21 September 1990. Further information: Mrs Hilary L. Helme, Department of Continued Professional Education, The University, Leeds LS2 9JT (telephone 0532 333233).

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