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A passionate comment from the floor reminded the audience that one of the main stimuli for the formation of old age psychiatry as a specialist section was the poor care that elderly patients often received from general psychiatrists—a comment the speaker felt could be made by all the specialist sections. However, another speaker felt that in the training of psychiatrists the ongoing care of

patients has been sacrificed to a desire to get young doctors to see a bit of everything. It is time for the College to take stock and see if we have the balance right.

Fiona Gaughran, Senior Registrar; Collegiate Trainees Committee and Steffan Davies, Senior Registrar; Chairperson, Collegiate Trainees Committee, Royal College of Psychiatrists

Membership Examinations

Breach of regulations

It has been reported to the Court of Electors that in the recent MRCPsych Part II Examination, a candidate brought into the examination a personal organiser with a clock function. The Court of Electors wishes to emphasise that candidates must not bring

into the examination any piece of electronic, computer or other equipment. The Regulations have been amended to clarify this and candidates should be aware that any breach of the Regulations will lead to disqualification.

J. L. Cox, Dean, Royal College of Psychiatrists

Knowledge of DSM-IV

I am writing to advise candidates and trainers that as from the Spring 1995 Membership Examinations, knowledge of DSM-IV rather than the earlier versions will be expected. You are reminded that candidates are expected to know the principles of classification, to have a

working knowledge of ICD-10 and to have a more detailed knowledge of either ICD-10 or DSM-IV.

SHEILA A. MANN, Chief Examiner, Royal College of Psychiatrists

College prizes

The Morris Markowe Public Education Prize 1994 was awarded to Dr Peter M. Haddad from

Manchester Royal Infirmary for an article on 'Postnatal Depression'.

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