

Miscellany

Crisis intervention

The National Institute of Crisis Intervention Therapy and Research was set up by Huddersfield Health Authority during early 1988 to organise educational programmes in social and community aspects of mental health and mental handicap. It was also intended that the Institute would become a focal point for those interested in the field and to disseminate information about recent developments in crisis intervention. Dr N. Rao Pudukollu is the Institute Director and he is also the Clinical Leader of a crisis intervention team based in a sectorised area of Huddersfield. Further information: The Director, National Institute of Crisis Intervention Therapy & Research, 63 Nabcroft Lane, Crosland Moor, Huddersfield HD4 5DU (telephone 0484 658054, Mrs A. Welburn, or 0484 654711, extension 3588, Mrs C. Bailey; fax: 0484 654777).

New publications

Residential Needs for Severely Disabled Psychiatric Patients: The Case for Hospital Hostels, edited by Kate Wooff, summarises the experience of hospital

hostel provision and follows on the series of Department of Health seminars on the same topic. It costs £7.50 and is available from the Mental Health Information Unit, Pendleton House, Broughton Road, Salford M6 6LQ (telephone 061 736 2673).

Age Concern Scotland has recently published *Dementia Forums – An Outline of Some Developments in Fife* by Joyce Cormie which describes how the Social Work Department, Health Board and the voluntary sector come together to deliver speedy and effective help and support to dementia sufferers and their carers in the community. It is available from Age Concern Scotland, 54A Fountainbridge, Edinburgh EH3 9PT and costs £2, including postage.

Better Lives: A Review of the Quality of Life of People Living at Borcouth Hospital and Proposals for Change is the report of the National Development Team, a government sponsored advisory body. It costs £2.50 and is available from PO Box 21, Stanmore, Middlesex HA7 1AY. (Please make cheques payable to the Department of Social Security.) Further information about the team's work and its reports on visits elsewhere is available from the NDT Secretariat, Room C411, Alexander Fleming House, London SE1 6BY (telephone 071 403 7991).

Forthcoming events

The next **Conference of the Association for Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy in the British Health Service (APP)**, entitled 'Preserving the Future', will be held from 8–10 February 1991 at Regent's College, Regent's Park, London. Themes include: A European Federation of Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy and Should Psychoanalytic Psychotherapists be only Doctors or Psychologists? Conference fee: £125 (£140 after 15 January) Further information and application forms: APP European Conference, c/o Mrs June Ansell, 87 St Mary's Mansions; St Mary's Terrace, London W2 1SY.

The National Schizophrenia Fellowship will be holding a National Training Conference on 24

October 1990 at Westminster Central Hall, Storey's Gate, London SW1 entitled **Influencing Training in Mental Health: The Relatives' and Sufferers' Contribution**. Fee (to include coffee, lunch and tea) £70 per person (voluntary organisations £35). Further information and application forms: Helena Bakewell, NSF, 28 Castle Street, Kingston, Surrey KT1 1SS (telephone 081 547 3937; fax: 081 547 3862). *Closing date: 17 October 1990.*

A conference entitled **Recent Developments in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry** will be held at the Institute of Psychiatry on 6 and 7 December 1990. Course fee: £150 (including lunch and refreshments). Further information: Mrs Lee Wilding, Conference Office,