Forthcoming Events

The Annual Scientific Meeting of the Institute of Psychosexual Medicine will be held at Bath University on 19–21 September 1986. Information: Dr Jane Kilvington, Programme Secretary, Institute of Psychosexual Medicine, 11 Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, London W1M 9DE.

The Portman Clinic is holding two courses on the psychodynamic aspects of forensic psychiatry and sexual deviations: (1) An introductory course on 22, 23 and 24 October 1986 for medical and non-medical staff who have little or no knowledge of the psychodynamic approach. Attendance is for the whole course only; fee £35. The course has been approved under Sections HM67/27 and HM63. For those living outside London accommodation can be arranged at a reasonable cost for the period of the course. (2) Clinical seminars on the psychotherapy of sexual deviants and offenders will take place weekly on Thursdays from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. during the academic year commencing 2 October 1986. The course is open to any grade of medical and non-medical staff as well as to general practitioners; participants will be expected to have had some experience in psychotherapy. There is no fee. Information on both courses: Dr Mervin Glasser, Clinic Tutor, Portman Clinic, 8 Fitzjohns Avenue, London NW2 5NA.

An Introductory Workshop on an Integrated (Cognitive-analytic) Approach to Brief Psychotherapy will be held at the United Medical and Dental Schools of St Thomas' and Guy's Hospitals on 11–12 October 1986 at St Thomas' Hospital. It will be open to practitioners or students of psychotherapy from medical, psychological, social work, occupational therapy or similar backgrounds. The cost is approximately £20 for those outside the Guy's/St Thomas' district and approximately £10 for those within it. Details: Dr A. Ryle, Scutari Ward, St Thomas' Hospital, London SE1 7EH.

The National Schizophrenia Fellowship will be holding a meeting 'Advances in Biological Research' at the Royal Society of Medicine, London on 13 and 14 March 1987. Members £3 per day; non-members £8 per day. Bookings to: Dr Malcolm Weller (Organiser), Friern Hospital, Friern Barnet Road, London N11 3BP (telephone 01 368 1288, extension 217).

The Child Guidance Trust Ninth Inter-Clinic Conference entitled 'Problem Child—Problem Community' will be held at Baden-Powell House, Kensington, London SW7 on 16 October 1986. The speakers will be Professor Klaus Wedell and Mrs Irene Bowman, Institute of Education, and Mr Spencer Millham, Dartington Social Research Unit. Fee £25. Details and applications: Conference Co-ordinator, 45 Constantine Road, London NW3 2LN (telephone 01 267 2587).

The Thirteenth International Congress on Law and Psychiatry will be held in Amsterdam from 17–20 June 1987. Topics will include Psychiatric Facilities in the Prison System, Legislation, Legal Status of Inmates in Institutions, Mentally Ill Offenders and Treatment, Ethnic and Cultural Minorities, and History and Philosophy. Presentation of papers is invited. Accepted abstracts will be published in the Book of Abstracts. Deadline for receipt of abstracts: 1 February 1987. Please contact the Congress Secretary as soon as possible: Dr Frans Koenraadt, Secretary General, Thirteenth International Congress on Law and Psychiatry, Janskerhof 16, 3512 BM Utrecht, The Netherlands.

The Centre for Personal Construct Psychology will be holding a 10 week course on Repertory Grid Technique in Context beginning November 1986 (day of week yet to be decided) from 5.30–8.30 p.m. Further information: Chris Thorman, Centre for Personal Construct Psychology, 132 Warwick Way, London SW1V 4JD (telephone 01 834 8875).

The Centre for Postgraduate Psychiatry will be holding: (1) 10th Introductory Course in Family Therapy—a multidisciplinary course on Wednesday afternoons commencing October 1986. (2) Systemic Approach to Family Therapy— The Milan Model—a two-year multidisciplinary course at the Charles Burns Clinic on Mondays commencing January 1987. Information and application forms: Christine Neal, Centre for Postgraduate Psychiatry, Charles Burns Clinic, Queensbridge Road, Moseley, Birmingham B13 8QD (telephone 021 449 4481).

The World Federation of Neurology Research Group on Dementias will be holding an International Symposium on Alzheimer's Disease at the Free University Main Building, De Boelelaan 1105, Amsterdam on 7, 8 and 9 May 1987. Further information: Vrije Universiteit, Bureau Congreszaken (Conference Service), P.O.B. 7161, 1007 MC Amsterdam, The Netherlands. This Symposium precedes the four-day 4th European Congress of EEG and Clinical Neurophysiology, which will also take place in Amsterdam. Information: c/o Organsatie Bureau Amsterdam b.v., Europaplein, 1078 GZ Amsterdam.

The Tavistock Clinic will be holding nine Monthly Consultation Seminars during the academic year October 1986–June 1987 every third Monday of the month from 2.30–5.00 p.m. The course is open to senior practitioners in any of the following professions: psychiatrists, social workers, psychologists, nurses, the clergy and those in education. The course fee will be £116 which includes a registration fee of £10. Further information and application forms: The Training Administrator, Tavistock Clinic, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3 5BA.

The Pakistan Psychiatric Society is holding its Sixth International Psychiatric Conference at Hotel Hilton International Lahore from 11-14 December 1986. The main theme will be 'Culture and Mental Illness'. The Conference will be preceded by a special three-day preconference course on 'Recent Advances in Psychiatry'. The last date for registration for this conference is 10 November 1986. Further information and registration forms: Professor I. A. K. Tareen, Chairman, Organising Committee, P.O. Box 7117, Lahore-26, Pakistan.

An International Conference will be held on Alcohol in Celtic Countries at St James Art Centre, St Peter Port, Guernsey from 30 October-2 November 1986. It is being organised by the Guernsey Council on Alcoholism in collaboration with the International Council on Alcohol and Addictions and 'Bretagne Alcool et Santé'. The proceedings will have particular relevance for Brittany, Channel Islands, Cornwall, Galicia, Isle of Man, Ireland, Scotland and Wales. The cost of registration and accommodation is £186 and will include a publication of the proceedings of the conference. Closing date for registration 30 September 1986. Further details: Philip Lemmon, Director, Guernsey Council on Alcoholism, 50 The Bordage, St Peter Port, Guernsey (telephone 0481 23255).

The Section of Psychiatry of the Royal Society of Medicine has arranged the following meetings on Tuesdays in 1986 (open also to non-members): 14 October at 8 p.m. Presidential Address 'Clinical and other aspects of an area service from 1852 to the present day'. 11 November, all day, 'Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome and Psychiatry'. 9 December, all day, 'Consent to Treatment and Protection for the Incapable Patient: Legal Restraint or Professional Responsibility' (Mental Health Commission Code of Practice). Further details: Sections Office (Miss N. Aaron), The Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE (telephone 01 408 2119).

The British Psycho-Analytical Society will be holding a day of lectures and discussions on 'Contributions of Melanie Klein' at the Institute of Psycho-Analysis on 25 October 1986. This is the first of three related Lecture Days, the second of which will be on 15 November (Contributions of Donald Winnicott) and the third will be on 6 December (Contributions of Anna Freud). Fee for the day: £18; tickets for all three days: £45. Applications for tickets, accompanied by cheques made payable to the Institute of Psycho-Analysis, should be sent to: The Hon. Secretary, Public Lectures Committee, The Institute of Psycho-Analysis, 63 New Cavendish Street, London W1M 7RD (telephone 01 580 4952). (It would be appreciated if applicants stated their profession in addition to their name and address.)

The Association for Child Psychology and Psychiatry will be holding a series of Scientific Meetings from September 1986 until June 1987 at the Robin Brook Centre, St Bartholomew's Hospital Medical School, London EC1. Further information: The Hon. Secretary, ACPP, 4 Southampton Row, London WC1 (telephone 01 831 2977).

The Tavistock Clinic will be holding a part-time course of six weekly sessions of two hours 45 minutes duration on Tuesdays from 28 October to 2 December 1986 inclusive entitled Understanding the Management of Perinatal Bereavement. Fees: £47.00 including a registration fee of £10. Closing date for applications: 3 October 1986. Application forms: The Training Administrator, The Tavistock Clinic, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3 5BA.

London University Extra Mural Studies—Group and Personal Development: An Introduction to Group Analysis and Its Applications—will be held on Thursdays from 7.00-9.30 p.m. for 20 sessions including seminars and small experiental groups. Fee £30. West London: Chelsea & Westminster Adult Education Institute, from 22 September 1986, Tutors: Raymond Blake and Tina Lucas, 24 Montpellier Row, Twickenham TW1 2NQ (telephone 01 570 5200); North London: Camden Institute, Haverstock School, from 2 October 1986, Tutors: Sheila Ernst and John Schlapobersky, 5 Southwood Lawn Road, Highgate, London N6 (telephone 01 348 6475); South London: Morley College, from 8 January 1987, Tutors: Susan Davison and Christopher Rance, 43 Rosendale Road, West Dulwich, London SE21 8DY (telephone 01 670 5023). Tutors are members of the Institute of Group Analysis or Group Analytic Society.

A National Study Day on Schizophrenia will be held on 4 October 1986 at the Postgraduate Centre, Royal Hospital, Calow, Chesterfield, commencing at 9.30 a.m. Further information: Dr H. M. Gadhvi, Clinical Tutor, Psychiatric Department. Walton Hospital, Whitecotes Lane, Chesterfield S40 3HM (telephone 0246 77271, extension 582).

The Avon Membership Course in Psychiatry will commence on 3 October 1986. Enquiries: Course Secretary, 41 St Michael's Hill, Bristol BS2 8BZ.

A two day meeting on Computers and Psychology in Psychiatry is being jointly organised by the Maths, Stats and Computing section of the British Psychological Society and PRIME at the Institute of Neurology, Queen Square, London WC1 on 14–15 October. The meeting will be limited to a maximum of 70 participants. There will be poster sessions and demonstrations, but no parallel sessions. One day will be devoted to presentations and workshops on the state-of-the-art, the other to current applications. Registration fees—with appropriate concessions—will be kept to a minimum. Further information: Dr Alick Elithorn, The Royal Free Hospital, Pond Street, London NW3 2QG.