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## forthcoming events

The Institute of Psychoanalysis would like to announce **Action in Place of Thought, Destruction in Place of Pain: Psychoanalytic Explorations in Forensic Psychiatry**, a 1-day meeting taking place on Saturday 3 October 2009 at the Institute of Psychoanalysis, London. This meeting is aimed at all in forensic mental health. Psychoanalysts and psychiatrists from both secure and out-patient National Health Service settings will explore the relevance of psychoanalytic ideas to forensic psychiatry. Topics include: gangs and absent fathers; violence and attachment theory; violence in psychosis; sexual offending; and treatment of personality disorder (including dangerous and severe personality disorders). Speakers will include: Mr Donald Campbell, Portman Clinic, London; Professor Peter Fonagy, Anna Freud Centre, London; Dr Philip Lucas, North London Forensic Service; Mr David Morgan, Portman Clinic; and Dr Cleo Van Velsen, Forensic Personality Disorder Services (Millfield Unit), East London NHS Foundation Trust. Registration fee: £90 (includes refreshments and lunch); concessions: £70. For further information, please contact Marjory Goodall, Institute of Psychoanalysis, 112A Shirland Road, London W9 2EQ, tel: 020 7563 5016, email: marjory.goodall@iopa.org.uk.

The Royal College of Psychiatrists **Faculty of General and Community Psychiatry Annual Meeting – Evolving Services, Evolving Treatments** – will take place on 15–16 October 2009 at the Hilton Hotel in Cardiff. Following on from the highly successful 2008 annual meeting in Manchester, the Faculty's executive conference committee are pleased to announce that the 2009 programme will be just as varied and topical. Highlights will include: evidence behind diagnosis in ICD and DSM with built-in debating time; workshops on surviving the CASC, applying to ACEA and assessing domestic violence; workshops by recognised national experts in managing bipolar disorder, treatment-resistant depression and assessing borderline personality disorder; and sessions on the Mental Health Act and community treatment orders, adult attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), outcomes in mental health, spirituality and treatment effectiveness. Ample personal networking opportunities will be available. For further details and to download the booking form, please go to [www.rcpsych.ac.uk/events/collegediary.aspx](http://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/events/collegediary.aspx). Contact: Dela Goka, College Conference Office, tel: 020 7235 2351 ext. 145, email: [dgoka@rcpsych.ac.uk](mailto:dgoka@rcpsych.ac.uk).

A **Child Psychiatry Consultants' Update Course** will take place on 1 December 2009 at The Wolfson Lecture Theatre, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, London. This popular 1-day course aims to update consultant child and adolescent psychiatrists and other child mental health professionals on the latest clinical and research findings in child and adolescent mental health. Keynote speaker: Professor Mark Dadds. Topics will include what's new in non-drug ADHD treatments (Professor Eric Taylor), evidence-based treatment for chronic fatigue (Professor Trudie Chalder), and research and clinical practice in paediatric bipolar disorder. Other topical issues will be addressed such as: treatment refractory obsessive-compulsive disorder, learning disability services, outcome measurement in child and adolescent mental health services, when to make forensic referrals, psychological treatments in Tourette syndrome, and what's new in eating disorders. Course facilitators: Dr Isobel Heyman and Dr Dennis Ougrin, Institute of Psychiatry. Fee: £180 including refreshments and lunch. For further information and a registration form, please contact Rosie Acklom via email: [childpsychiatryupdatecourse@kcl.ac.uk](mailto:childpsychiatryupdatecourse@kcl.ac.uk).

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