Forthcoming events

A seminar entitled 'The Future of Community Care — Implications of the Government's Response to the Griffiths Report' will be held on 8 December 1989 at the School for Advanced Urban Studies, Bristol. Cost: £60 per person (statutory/private sector organisations); £30 per person (voluntary/community organisations). Further information: Seminar Secretary, School for Advanced Urban Studies, Rodney Lodge, Grange Road, Bristol BS8 4EA (telephone 0272 741117).

The Second International Congress on Somatotherapy will be held in Punta del Este, Uruguay: conferences 7–10 March 1990; didactic workshops 5, 6, 11, 12, 13 and 14 March 1990. There is now a call for papers. Further information: Louis Franco, A. Ramblan O'Higgins, 4969/2 Montevideo, Uruguay.

The 5th European Congress of Hypnosis in Psychotherapy and Psychosomatic Medicine will be held from 18–24 August 1990 at University of Konstanz, FRG, and there is now a call for papers. Further information: Dr Walter Bongartz, University of Konstanz, 7750 Konstanz, Federal Republic of Germany.

The fifth annual Introductory Workshop in Cognitive Analytic Therapy will take place at St Thomas's Hospital, London on 14–15 October 1989. Places are limited. Further information: Dr Anthony Ryle, Munro Clinic, Guy's Hospital, London SE1 9RT or Mark Dunn (telephone 01-955 5000, extension 3538).

The British Association for Social Psychiatry will be holding an evening meeting on **'Rehabilitation in the 1990s'** on 30 October 1989 in the Hays Room, Emblem House, London Bridge Hospital, 27 Tooley Street, London SE1. Further information: Dr Pamela Pilkington, Secretary, BASP, 16 Lichfield Road, Kew, Surrey TW9 3JR.

There will be an informal evening meeting of the UK Individual Members of the World Psychiatric Association at Charingworth Manor, Gloucestershire on 7 December 1989. Further information: Dr Peter Hall, Worcester Royal Infirmary, Newtown Road, Worcester WR5 1JG (telephone 0905 763333).

The Annual Conference of the Society for Psychosomatic Research entitled 'Mind/Body in Sexuality and Reproduction' will be held on 18 and 19 December 1989 at the Royal College of Physicians, London. Further information and application forms: Dr Christopher Bass, Department of Psychological Medicine, King's College Hospital, Denmark Hill, London SE5 (telephone 01-326 3014 or 326 3181).

A conference entitled 'Child Health in the Nineties' will be held at the University of Stirling on 12 and 13 September 1989. It will cover genetics, sexual problems, nutrition, AIDS, drug abuse, family psychology, social aspects of parenting, immunisation and child health surveillance. Further information: Conference Administrator, The Newbourne Group, Greater London House, Hampstead Road, London NW1 7QQ (telephone 01-388 3171, extension 6278).

A two day conference on **Developments in Psychiatric Day Hospitals** will take place on 8 and 9 November 1989 at the Peter Hodgkinson Centre, Lincoln. Speakers include Dr Frances Creed, Dr Donald Dick, Dr Maurice Lipsedge, Dr Angela Summerfield, Professor Andrew Sims and Mr Philip Vaughan. Registration fee: £15 per day (includes lunch and refreshments). The second day will comprise of workshops on aspects of the practical management of psychiatric day hospitals. Further information: Dr Richard Caplan, Peter Hodgkinson Centre, Lincoln County Hospital, Lincoln LN2 5NY (telephone 0522 512512, extension 3522).

The Psychoanalysis Unit, University College London, will be holding a conference on Shame: Theoretical and Clinical Aspects from 2–3 February 1990. Conference fee: £59 (for registration before 31 December 1989); late registration fee: £75. Further information and application forms: The Conference Secretary, Psychoanalysis Unit, UCL, 26 Bedford Way, London WC1H 0AP.

An international conference 'Schizophrenia 1990 — Poised for Discovery' will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Vancouver, from 15–18 July 1990. Further information: Ms K. Rust, Conference Coordinator, c/o Venue West Ltd, 801–750 Jervis Street, Vancouver, BC, V6E 2A9, Canada.

The **5th World Congress of Biological Psychiatry** will take place in Florence from 9–14 June 1991. Further information: Prof. G. Racagni, Scientific Secretariat, Biological Psychiatry '91, Centre of Neuropharma-cology, Institute of Pharmacological Sciences, Via Balzaretti 9, 20133 Milano, Italy.

The Society for the Study of Addiction to Alcohol and Other Drugs will be holding their annual symposium on **Crime, Alcohol and Other Drugs** in the Fletcher Suite, Leicester Polytechnic on 16 and 17 November 1989. Further information: Mrs Noreen Rooney, Department of Addictive Behaviour, St George's Hospital Medical School, Blackshaw Road, London SW17 0QT (telephone 01-672 9944, extension 56147).

A one day conference entitled **'The Psychiatric Aspects of Major Disasters'** will be held on 3 November 1989 at St Andrew's Hospital, Northampton. Fee: £25 (to include coffee, lunch and tea). Further information: Sara Heal, St Andrew's Hospital, Billing Road, Northampton NN1 5DG (telephone 0604 29696).

A conference entitled 'Drug Delivery and Drug Targeting Systems — Latest Advances' will be held on 30 November-1 December 1989 at the Royal Lancaster Hotel, London. Further information: Renata Duke, IBC Technical Services Ltd, Bath House (3rd Floor), 56 Holborn Viaduct, London EC1A 2EX (telephone 01-236 4080; fax 01-489 0849).

The Institute of Child Health, University of London, in conjunction with the Department of Psychological Medicine, Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, will be holding an evening course entitled 'Development of Clinical Skills in the Assessment of Sexual Abuse of Children'. It will be held over two terms starting on 10 January until 20 March 1990 and 25 April until 20 June 1990. Further information: Mrs Anne Crowley, Short Courses Officer, Institute of Child Health, 30 Guilford Street, London WC1N 1EH (telephone 01-829 8692).

Applications are invited for a two day per week 12 month multidisciplinary post-professional qualification training programme in **Child Sexual Abuse** at the Institute of Child Health. It commences in April 1990 and runs for 12 months with follow-ups three and six months after completion. *Closing date: 1 December 1989.* Further information: Mrs Anne Crowley at the above address.

Dr Jonathan Pedder, Consultant Psychotherapist, Maudsley Hospital, will deliver the APP (Association for Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy in the NHS) Annual Lecture entitled 'Lines of Advance in Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy' at the Royal Free Hospital School of Medicine on 3 November 1989. Further information: Mrs Linda Kaufman, Administrative Secretary, APP, Tavistock Clinic, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3.

The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists will be holding a **Senior Registrars' and Registrars' Conference** from 4–8 December 1989. Further information: The Postgraduate Education Secretary, Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, 27 Sussex Place, Regent's Park, London NW1 4RG (telephone 01-262 5425, extension 207).

A Joint Conference between the Royal College of Psychiatrists and the Department of health on 'Managing the Mentally Disordered Offender' will be held on 15 December 1989 at the Royal College of Physicians, 11 St Andrew's Place, Regent's Park, London NW1 4LE. Registration fee: £13. Further information and application form (to be returned by 1 December 1989, together with appropriate remittance): Deborah Hart, The Royal College of Psychiatrists, 17 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PG.

The Southern Division Meeting of the Royal College of Psychiatrists will be held at the Priory Hospital, London on 2 November 1989. Speakers will be: Dr J. L. T. Birley, President, Royal College of Psychiatrists (The White Paper Proposals—What Next?); Professor Julian Leff, Director, MRC Social Psychiatry Unit, Institute of Psychiatry (Closing a Large Mental Hospital—Problems and Opportunities); and Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, QC, Chairman, Mental Health Act Commission (The Future of the Mental Health Act Commission). Early application is advised. Further information: The Medical Director, The Priory Hospital, Priory Lane, Roehampton, London SW15 5JJ (telephone 01-876 8261).

The King's Fund Centre will be holding a conference entitled 'Children First? Family Based Respite Care and the Children Bill' on 21 November 1989. Fee: £35 (to include coffee, lunch, tea, and information pack). Application form (*to be returned by 1 November 1989*, together with cheque): Mrs M. Kornitzer, King's Fund Centre, 126 Albert Street, London NW1 7NF (telephone 01 267 6111; fax 01-267 6108).

Professor Margaret Thaler Singer, Department of Psychology, University of California, will give a special lecture on **Cults: Psychological and Psychiatric Dimensions** at the Institute of Psychiatry, London, on 2 November 1989. Further information: Dr Anthony Pelosi, Institute of Psychiatry (telephone 01-703 5411, Ext 3149.

Contributions for this section should be submitted two months in advance of publication