

Forthcoming Events

A joint meeting of the **American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry** and the **Canadian Academy of Child Psychiatry** will take place at the Seattle Westin Hotel, Seattle, Washington from 26–30 October 1988. Further information: American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, 3615 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20016, USA or J. H. Beitchman, MD, Clarke Institute of Psychiatry, 250 College Street, Toronto, Ontario M5T 1R8, Canada.

A conference entitled '**Challenge and Change in Childhood Psychopathology**' will be held at the Park Plaza Hotel, Toronto, on 17 and 18 November 1988. Further information: Ms A. Garside, Child & Family Studies Centre, Clarke Institute of Psychiatry, 250 College Street, Toronto, Ontario M5T 1R8, Canada.

A one day skills-orientated workshop on **using TA in the NHS/NHS-related employment**, organised by NHS staff using TA, will be held at the King's Fund Centre, London NW1 on 2 November 1988. Further information: David Neustein, The Health Centre, University College London, 3 Gower Place, London WC1 6BN.

A one day conference entitled '**The Implications of Caring**', organised by the Section of the Psychiatry of Mental Handicap, St George's Hospital Medical School, Tooting, London SW17 will be held on 8 June 1988. Topics will include implications for statutory and voluntary organisations, the families, staff members, the mentally handicapped person and the national perspective. Further details: Miss B. Preston, St George's Hospital Medical School (telephone 01 672 9944, extension 55535).

The **9th International Congress on Pre and Perinatal Psychology and Medicine** will be held at the Hilton Hotel, Jerusalem, Israel from 26–31 March 1989. Further information: ISPP Congress Secretariat, c/o International Ltd., PO Box 29313, Tel Aviv 65121, Israel.

The senior registrars in East Anglia are holding a one day symposium entitled '**Fits and Follies: The Interface between Epilepsy and Psychiatry**' at the University Centre, Cambridge on 24 June 1988. Further information: Dr Andrew Whitehouse or Dr Gregory O'Brien, University Department of Psychiatry, Level 4, Addenbrooke's Hospital, Hills Road, Cambridge.

A conference entitled '**Computers in Medical Education**', organised under the auspices of the University Grants Committee's and Computer Board's Joint Initiative on

Computers in University Teaching, will be held in Bath from 19–21 September 1988. Fully residential registration, inclusive of conference dinner, all meals, and ancillary events, will be approximately £100. Final date for receipt of registration forms: 15 August 1988 (a reduced registration fee will be available to those registering before 29 July). Further information: Nigel Gardner, Computers in Teaching Initiative Support Services, University of Bath, Bath, Avon BA2 7AY.

The Champernowne Trust is holding its annual residential course for those interested in the Arts in therapy at Cumberland Lodge, Windsor Great Park, from 23–29 July 1988. The title will be '**The Nature of Healing: Collective and Personal**' and the usual format of lectures and creative workshops, including individual and group painting, clay-work, writing, music and drama, will be followed. The provisional list of contributors includes Dr Adolf Gugenbuhl-Craig, Dr Patrick Pietroni, Dr Roger Hill, Dr Brian Bates, Guida Swan, Rosalind Edwards and Jane Mayers. Further details: Rosalind Bennet, 11 Leigh Road, Bristol BS8 2DA.

The **College's Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Specialist Section** is now inviting submissions for a session of presentations by senior registrars in child and adolescent psychiatry to be held as part of the Durham Residential conference from 15–17 September 1988. Those interested in submitting papers should contact Dr Ian Berg, Department of Psychological Medicine (Children), The Clarendon Wing, The General Infirmary at Leeds, Belmond Grove, Leeds LS2 9NS as soon as possible.

The **5th Dantec Seminar on Advanced EMG** will be held at the Dragonara Hotel, Bristol from 11–13 May 1988. Further details: Dantec Electronics Ltd, Techno House, Redcliffe Way, Bristol BS16 6NU.

The University of London and University College and Middlesex School of Medicine are offering a **Diploma in Behavioural Psychotherapy**. Psychologists, psychiatrists and others with appropriate mental health work experience are invited to apply for the 13 month full-time diploma course starting September 1988. In addition to theoretical teaching, practical experience in behavioural psychotherapy will be gained by carrying out treatment under supervision of complex disorders with in- and out-patients. The course is directed by Dr Victor Meyer and Dr Edward S. Chesser. Further details: Dr Michael Bruch, Academic Department of Psychiatry, Wolfson Building, Middlesex Hospital, London W1N 8AA (telephone 01 380 9475).

A course entitled '**Therapeutic Communication with Children**', aimed to increase understanding of children's communications and of the therapeutic process, will be held by the Tavistock Clinic. It is intended to provide a

psychodynamic background for those who have had no formal training in psychoanalytic psychotherapy with children. The course is open to members of professions involved in child guidance, departments of child psychiatry and related fields, who are already engaged in individual work with children and who are willing to contribute current clinical material. Further information and application forms: The Training Administrator, The Tavistock Clinic, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3 5BA (telephone 01 435 7111, extension 313 or 469).

The Tavistock Clinic will be holding a series of nine **monthly consultation seminars** from 2.30 pm to 5 pm every third Monday in the month from October 1988. It is designed to meet the needs of senior practitioners in the helping professions who are actively engaged in consulting to groups or whole organisational units. It has been arranged particularly to suit applicants who wish to expand their consultative skills and who live and work out of London. Further information and application forms: The Training Administrator, The Tavistock Clinic, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3 5BA (telephone 01 435 7111, extension 313 or 469).

A **National Symposium on Sexual Dysfunction**, in collaboration with the Association of Behavioural Clinicians, will take place on 12 May 1988, from 9.30 a.m.–4.30 p.m., at the Post Graduate Centre of the Chesterfield and North Derbyshire Royal Hospital, Calow, Chesterfield. It will be of interest to psychiatrists, GPs, psychologists and nursing staff. Registration fee (includes lunch): £10. For reservations, telephone 0246 220016.

A Conference on '**Psychoanalytic Insights into Problems of Adoption**' will be held by the Psychoanalysis Unit of University College London on 15 and 16 June 1988. Fee: £50 for registration before 1 June 1988. Late registration fee (if places are still available): £65. Copies of the papers will be available to participants at the time of the conference. Enquiries: The Conference Secretary, Psychoanalysis Unit, University College London, 26 Bedford Way, London WC1H 0AP.

East Surrey Health Authority's Day Course in Psychiatric Rehabilitation, arranged by Netherne Rehabilitation Services, will be held at the Freudenberg Postgraduate Medical Centre, Netherne Hospital, on 24 June 1988. This day course is offered to all professional staff concerned with the rehabilitation of the psychiatrically disabled. Information sheet and details: The Organiser, The Freudenberg Postgraduate Medical Centre, Netherne Hospital, Coulsdon, Surrey CR3 1YE.

The **11th International Congress of Hypnosis and Psychosomatic Medicine** will be held in Holland from 13–19 August 1988. Information and registration: The Congress Secretariat, PO Box 16065, 2031 GB Leiden, The Netherlands.

The **IX International Symposium on the Psychotherapy of Schizophrenia** will take place in Turin, Italy, from 14–17 September 1988. Further information: Dr M. B. Conran, Friern Hospital, London N11 3BP or Professor Pier Maria Furlan, Istituto di Psichiatria, Via Cherasco 13, 10126 Torino, Italy.

A week-end workshop in group analysis entitled '**Violence in Groups**', organised by the North London Centre for Group Therapy, will be held from 24–26 June 1988 at the North London Centre for Group Therapy. It is open to all who wish to enrich their understanding of groups. Fee: £100 (non-residential); £170 (residential). Further information: The Secretary, The North London Centre for Group Therapy, 138 Bramely Road, Oakwood, London N14 4HU (telephone 01 440 1451).

The **inaugural conference of the International Society for the Investigation of Stress (ISIS)** will be held on 15 August 1988 at the Psychiatric Clinic, University of Munich, FRG, prior to the start of the XVIth Congress of the Collegium Internationale Neuro-Psychopharmacologicum being held in Munich from 15–19 August 1988. There will be two symposia at the ISIS conference on *Drugs and Stress* and *Stress and the Heart*. The meeting is open to all those interested in stress, and the problems, both medical and social, that arise from it. Registration is free. Further details: Dr David Wheatley, 11A Manor Court, Hinchley Wood, Surrey KT10 0SP.

The **II World Congress of Chronical Roncopathy** will be held from 18–20 October 1989 at the Universidad Autonoma, Facultad de Medicina, Unidad Docente de Valle Hebron. Further information: Barcelona Relaciones Publicas, Edificio Layetana, c/o Pau Claris, 138, 7º 4a 08009 Barcelona, Spain.

The **Twelfth Manchester Course in Group Psychotherapy** organised under the auspices of the Institute of Group Analysis (London), which offers an experiential group, and theoretical teaching in group therapy, will take place on 30 Thursdays between October 1988 and May 1989. Further information: Dr K. Hyde, Consultant Psychotherapist, The Red House, 5 Devonshire Road, Salford, Manchester M6 8HY (telephone 061 789 4175/4194).

Group Analysis North in association with the **Group Analytic Society (London)** will be holding a workshop from 15–17 July 1988 at the University of Manchester entitled '**Male and Female in Groups**'. It will include small mixed and single sexed groups, large group sessions and a series of short lectures. Fee before 15 June: residential £129; non-residential £97. Application forms: Claire Bacha, c/o T & G Mind, 18 Chester Square, Ashton under Lyne, Lancashire OL6 7NF (telephone 061 339 1100).

The **Tavistock Clinic** is holding a one-year part-time **Foundation Course in Psychoanalytic Group Therapy** for people

working in health, education or the social services. Some experience of psychoanalytic psychotherapy, past or present, is desirable. (Those who do not have this experience are invited to discuss it further with any of the course tutors). The course will take place on Monday afternoons in term time from 3.15–6.00 p.m. Autumn term: 3 October–9 December 1988; Spring term: 9 January–17 March 1989; Summer term: 24 April–30 June 1989. Fee: £250 (including £10 registration fee). Closing date for applications: 31 July 1988. Application forms: The Training Administrator, The Tavistock Clinic, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3 5BA (telephone 01 435 7111, extension 313 or 469).

The **Tavistock Clinic** is holding a two year course '**Seminars in Psychotherapy**' intended to serve as an introduction to the subject and to enable candidates to decide if they wish to pursue a more formal training as a psychotherapist. Applicants should be working in the NHS, or related organisations, in the course of which they should be in a position to treat at least one patient in psychotherapy, and should either already be in personal psychotherapy or psychoanalysis or be interested to begin this during the course of the year. The seminars take place at the Tavistock Clinic on Wednesday afternoons—ten per term. The annual fee is £300 (including registration fee of £10). Application forms: The Training Administrator, The Tavistock Clinic, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3 5BA.

Applications are invited for the **Diploma in Family Therapy** course held by **University College London Faculty of Clinical Sciences**. It is aimed at training practitioners to work with families in a multi-cultural society. The one year course consists of 1½ days per week formal tuition and will be supplemented by clinical experience. Applicants must have a relevant professional qualification and must have completed some recognised introductory work in family therapy. Further information and application forms: Dr Alan Cooklin, Course Director or Miss Ann Miller, Course Organiser, Marlborough Family Service, 38 Marlborough Place, London NW8 0PJ (telephone 01 624 8605).

St George's Hospital Medical School Course for Diploma in Human Sexuality will commence in October 1988. It is a two

year multi-disciplinary course offering an opportunity for the acquisition of skills in the treatment of sexual problems and includes one year day-release course and second year of supervision of cases in trainee's own work setting. Full details: Miss B. A. Charman, Postgraduate Office, St George's Hospital Medical School, Cranmer Terrace, London SW17 0RE. (No telephone enquiries please).

A conference to celebrate the Australian Bicentennial entitled '**The Australian Contribution to Britain**' will be held at the Royal Society of London from 7–8 June 1988. Further information: The Secretary, The Royal Society of London, 6–9 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AG (telephone 01 839 5561, ext. 277).

The University of Glasgow Social Paediatric and Obstetric Research Unit and Department of Social Administration and Social Work in association with The Children's Institute International, Los Angeles, will be holding a conference entitled '**Intervening in Child Sexual Abuse: Learning from American Experience**' from 26–28 June 1988 at the Grosvenor Hotel, Great Western Road, Glasgow. Further information: Conference Secretary, Social Paediatric and Obstetric Research Unit, 1 Lilybank Gardens, University of Glasgow, Glasgow G12 8RZ.

The Association for Psycho-Analytic Psychotherapy (APP) are holding the Inaugural Annual Lecture by Dr Anton Obholzer entitled '**Is There a Future for Psychotherapy in the NHS?**' on 13 May 1988 at 8 p.m. at Tuke Hall, Regent's College, Inner Circle, Regent's Park, London NW1. Further information: Linda Kaufman, The Tavistock Clinic, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3 5BA (telephone 01 435 7111, extension 241).

On 16 June 1988 the **Joint Medical Royal Colleges Soirée** will take place between 6.45 p.m. and 8.45 p.m. at the Royal Academy of Arts, Burlington House, Piccadilly during the Royal Academy's Summer Exhibition. Tickets are available from the Secretary of this College, Mrs V. Cameron, at £18.50 per head to include access to the Summer Exhibition, buffet supper and wine. Cheques should be made payable to the Royal College of Psychiatrists.

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