## Forthcoming events

The Annual Meeting of the British Association of Behavioural and Cognitive Psychotherapies will be held in Bristol on 14–17 July 1999. This major annual event which focuses on cognitive-behavioural therapy research and therapy practice is open to all. Registration can be booked via EYAS Limited (telephone: 01243 775561; e-mail: EYAS@dial.pipex.com) and conference details are available via the following URL: http:/www.babcp.org.uk

The Bangladeshi British Psychiatrists Association's (UK) Conference will take place in Sunderland on 31 July-1 August 1999. Those who would like further information about the conference, or would like to attend it, are invited to contact Dr N. Ahmed, 17 Farndale Avenue, Southbents, Sunderland, Tyne & Wear SR6 8BH (telephone: 0191 529 5517).

The European Association of Mental Health in Mental Retardation, in association with the Royal College of Psychiatrists – Section of Learning Disability, and other organisations, would like to announce Mental Health in Mental Retardation: Services, Training & Research for People with Developmental and Learning Disabilities – Second European Congress. The event, which is being organised by Pavillion Publishing, will take place on 8–10 September 1999 at Brunel University, London. Further information: Pavillion Publishing (telephone: 01273 623 222; fax: 01273 625 526; e-mail: pavpub@pavillion.co.uk).

Beynon Bishop & Ross Medical Education Ltd. are pleased to announce the following courses: MRCPsych Part I and Part II Courses on 11-12 September 1999, MRCPsych Part II Critical Appraisal Four-Hour Course on 10 September 1999 and Clinical Skills Study Weekend for MRCPsych Part II on 6-7 November 1999. The written course will comprise of an intensive set of lectures using past multiple choice questions and 'short notes' questions as the main focus for each lecture. The clinical skills course is designed for candidates about to sit the clinical and oral component of the MRCPsych examination and is run on the weekend immediately after the written component of that exam. Further information: Ms Valerie Sweeney (telephone/fax: 0181 959 7562). Caring for People with Learning Disabilities Who Have Dementia is the title of a one-day conference to be held at the Royal Society of Medicine, London on 29 September 1999. The provisional programme includes topics such as: Dementia and intellectual disability: a review of the research evidence; the subjective experience of dementia: insights from the wider population; and staff training in the care of people with learning disabilities and dementia. Further information: Vesna Milenkovic, the Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE (telephone: 0171 290 2988; fax: 0171 290 2989; e-mail: vesna.milenkovic@roysocmed. ac.uk).

Applications are now invited for the **Hypnotherapy Training Course** to be held on 9–10 October 1999 (Part I – Basic) and 20–21 November 1999 (Part II – Intermediate) at the Postgraduate Medical Centre, Glasgow. Organised by the British Society of Medical and Dental Hypnosis – Scotland, this course is only available to registered medical and dental practitioners. Further information: The British Society of Medical and Dental Hypnosis – Scotland, P.O. Box 1007, Glasgow G31 2LE (telephone: 0141 556 1606; fax: 0141 551 9104).

Mental Disorders and Related Mental Health Problems. Reducing stigmatisation of sufferers and the subject. A task for the third millennium. This is the title of a series of oneday conferences to be held at the Royal Society of Medicine, London on 12 October 1999, 9 November 1999, 11 January 2000, 14 March 2000 and 9 May 2000. Endorsed by the Royal College of Psychiatrists and its Changing Minds Campaign, the event will involve over 40 speakers, including addresses by Professors Anthony Clare, John Gunn, Lewis Wolpert, Roy Porter, Kay Redfield Jamison and Sir David Goldberg. It is accredited for Continuing Medical Education/ Continuing Professional Development purposes. Further information: Tim Hoof, Academic Department, The Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE (telephone: 0171 290 2985; fax: 0171 290 2989; e-mail: tim.hoof@roysocmed.ac.uk).

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