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## Appointment

The Institute of Psychiatry has appointed David Goldberg as Professor of Psychiatry and Director of Research and Development. Professor Goldberg will also continue as Director of Medical Services for the Maudsley and Bethlem Royal Hospitals.

## LADDER

LADDER (Learning, Hyperactivity and Attention Deficit Disorders Association) was formed in January 1993 as an association for people suffering from hyperactivity or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). Further information: Stan Mould, Founder and Chairman, Ladder, 95 Church Road, Bradmore, Wolverhampton WV3 7EW (telephone 0902 336272).

## Mental Health Foundation Essay Prize

The Section of Psychiatry of the Royal Society of Medicine offers a prize of £500 for the best essay, written by a training grade doctor in the United Kingdom or Ireland on any subject relevant to psychiatry, to be submitted by 31 March 1994. Further information: Samantha Greshoff, Royal

Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE (telephone 071 408 2119).

## Grant for the Womens Counselling Service

The Mental Health Foundation has allocated a new grant of £15,000 for the Women's Counselling Service, part of SCOSAC (Standing Committee on Sexually Abused Children). SCOSAC was established in 1983 to promote good practice in the care of children who have been subjected to sexual abuse and now also provides advice and consultation to adults who have experienced sexual abuse themselves and to professionals on all aspects of working with children and adults who have been sexually abused.

## Appeal for psychiatric literature

Postgraduate psychiatric training in Sudan has started with many difficulties including lack of psychiatric literature. It would therefore be appreciated if any readers who have any unwanted books or journals they would like to donate to the postgraduate training scheme at Khartoum University could contact Dr A. Osman, Mother and Baby Unit, Queen Elizabeth Psychiatric Hospital, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 2QZ (telephone 021 627 2808).

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# Forthcoming events

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The Section of Psychiatry of the Royal Society of Medicine will be holding a meeting entitled **A Critical Look at Treatment** on 8 February 1994 and one on **Research by Psychiatrists in Training** on 8 March 1994. Further information: Mrs S. Greshoff, Sections Officer, The Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE (telephone 071 408 2119; fax 071 355 3197).

A one-day conference **Psycho-Social Aspects of Disaster: planning for the future** will be held at

the Institute of Psychiatry on 10 February 1994. Further information and application forms: Ms Lee Wilding, Short Courses Office, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, Denmark Hill, London SE5 8AF (telephone 071 919 3170); fax 071 703 5796).

A two-day conference **Anorexia, Bulimia and Obesity** will be held at St George's Hospital Medical School on 14 and 15 February 1994 and one on **Psychological and Behavioural**