

## Join the Royal College of Psychiatrists as an Affiliate!

The College is aware that there is a substantial group of doctors working within the psychiatric service in non-training posts who, for various reasons, cannot take the College's Membership examination. Their contribution to psychiatry in these posts is often unrecognised, yet they play an essential role in service provision. We are most concerned that this group of doctors should not be excluded from the College's educational activities, including participation in Continuing Professional Development (CPD). Psychiatric practice is changing rapidly, and we must do all we can to maintain high standards of patient care; it is therefore important for these doctors that they participate in the educational life of the College.

At the Annual Meeting in 1994, the College's Bye-Laws were changed to create the grade of **Affiliate**. All Staff Grade doctors, Clinical Assistants and Associate Specialists and other such doctors who satisfy the criteria, namely that they should have worked in psychiatry for at least three years but do not have College Membership, are invited to become Affiliates of the College.

**The grade of Affiliate attracts a number of privileges. As an Affiliate you will:**

- ◆ receive the British Journal of Psychiatry and the Psychiatric Bulletin
- ◆ be invited to College, Faculty, Section and Divisional Meetings
- ◆ be affiliated to two Specialist Faculties/Sections and one Division
- ◆ have representation on Council
- ◆ be invited to Affiliates meetings held at the College and Chaired by an Honorary Officer
- ◆ participate in the College's programme of CPD

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## Join the Royal College of Psychiatrists as an Inceptor!

The College aims to advance the science and practice of psychiatry, to promote study and research, and to further public education about psychiatry. Most trainees in psychiatry are not yet Members of the College, and we are very keen to encourage future Members to be actively involved in College activities. We have therefore created a grade of **Inceptor**, specifically designed for doctors in training.

Inceptorship is open to qualified medical practitioners who intend to train for the MRCPsych (Membership) Examination and it offers excellent benefits.

**As an Inceptor you will receive:**

- ◆ an annual programme detailing forthcoming College meetings for which you will be eligible for substantially reduced rates
- ◆ a detailed programme of scientific meetings
- ◆ the British Journal of Psychiatry each month
- ◆ the Psychiatric Bulletin each month
- ◆ a copy of the Inceptors Handbook, which includes advice on careers in psychiatry, details about the Examinations, College structures and committee information
- ◆ a copy of the College guide to the 1983 Mental Health Act (sent on request, price £1.00)

**In addition you will be:**

- ◆ able to access the College's Information Service
- ◆ affiliated to two Specialist Faculties/Sections and one Division
- ◆ eligible for election to the Collegiate Trainees Committees

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**The Interface Between the NHS and the Independent Sector in the  
Care of Older People with Mental Illness  
*Occasional Paper 45***

A joint working group of the Royal College of Psychiatrists' Faculty of the Psychiatry of Old Age and the Independent Health Care Association has produced this occasional paper, which was published by the Royal College of Psychiatrists earlier this year.

Four hundred and fifty thousand mentally ill and physically disabled people now live in residential care in the UK. This paper reviews the reasons for this massive expansion over the past twenty years and looks at some of the major care issues this has thrown up. It gives recommendations as to how some of these issues, for example, adequate medical care, should be tackled. It then goes on to give clear guidelines for the discharge of mentally frail people into residential care, which could form the basis of standards suitable for clinical audit. Finally, there is a discussion paper on confidentiality and residential care, which similarly could form the basis of standards for audit.

This paper should be of value to all those involved in the commissioning, delivery, regulation and inspection of health care services for elderly people with mental health problems.

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