

## Forthcoming events

**The World Congress of Psychosocial Rehabilitation** will be held in Barcelona from 9–11 October 1989. Further information: Secretaria, Unidad de Psiquiatria y Psicologia Medica, Facultad de Medicina, Casanova 132, 08036 Barcelona, Spain.

A one day conference entitled '**Manic Depression: The Implications for Community Care**', jointly organised by the Manic Depression Fellowship and the Local Government Training Board, will be held at Westminster Cathedral Conference Centre, Victoria, London SW1 on 25 January 1989. Fee: £70 (including refreshments, lunch and conference documentation). Further information: Elizabeth Lisle, Local Government Training Board, Arndale Centre, Luton LU1 2TS (telephone 0582 451166) or Emmanuel Andreopoulos, Manic Depression Fellowship, 51 Sheen Road, Richmond upon Thames, Surrey TW9 1YQ (telephone 01 876 4498).

The Institute of Child Health (University of London) will be holding a two day seminar entitled '**Assessment and Treatment of Sexually Abused Children and their Families**' from 16–17 January 1989. This seminar is intended for professionals currently involved in the ongoing treatment and management of families where the children have been sexually abused. Fee: £80. Further details: Anne Crowley, Short Courses Office (Room G6), Institute of Child Health, 30 Guilford Street, London WC1N 1EH (telephone 01 829 8692).

An international symposium on mental handicap to discuss **the place of special villages in the context of current and developing provision** will be held from 20–21 March 1989 at the Middlesex Polytechnic, Trent Park College, Cockfosters Road, Barnet EN4 OPT. Further information: Dr M. Brook, c/o BIOSS, Brunel University, Uxbridge, UB8 3PH.

A **Workshop on the Organisation of Multidisciplinary Community Teams** will be held from 9–10 March 1989 at Brunel University, Uxbridge, Middlesex. Closing date: 10 February 1989. Further information: Mrs M. Heard, HSC, BIOSS, Brunel University, Uxbridge, Middlesex UB8 3PH (telephone 0895 56461).

A five day course on **Research Methods and Statistics**, organised by the University of Birmingham Departments of Psychiatry and Statistics, will be held on

6–10 March 1989 at the Postgraduate Centre, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham. There will be lectures on all aspects of research methodology and design as well as lectures and exercises on statistics. Each course member will write a research protocol during the course. Fee: £140 for cheques received before 31 January 1989; £160 for cheques received thereafter. Course booklets will be offered in advance of the meeting. Further information: Dr John Mackintosh, Department of Psychiatry, Clinical Research Block, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham 15.

The National Institute of Crisis Intervention Therapy & Research is offering a weekend course on **Crisis Intervention Theory and Practice in Mental Health** on 11 and 12 March 1989 at the Lecture Hall, Huddersfield Royal Infirmary. The course covers theory, planning, evaluation, practical case reviews, organisational aspects and various therapeutic techniques applied to deal with crisis cases. Course fee: £68. Further details and application form: Dr N. Rao Punukollu, Director, National Institute of Crisis Intervention Therapy & Research, 63 Nabcroft Lane, Crosland Moor, Huddersfield (telephone 0484 658054).

The British Neuropsychiatry Association will be holding its Winter Meeting on 26 January 1989 at the Wolfson Theatre, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, Denmark Hill, London SE5. The subject will be the **Neuropsychiatry of Movement Disorders**. Speakers will include Prof D. Marsden (The Dystonias); Dr Mary Robertson (Gilles de la Tourettes); Dr T. Barnes (Drug Induced Movement Disorders); Dr Richard Brown (Cognitive Deficits in Parkinsons), Dr P. McKenna (Motor Disorder in Schizophrenia) and Dr V. Bezhnov of Moscow (Computerised Rehabilitation of Movement Disorders). Video presentations of movement disorders will be shown and discussed by several members (including Prof W. A. Lishman, Dr M. Trimble and Dr B. Toone). Admission free to members of the BNPA. Lunch and refreshments: £5. Further details: Dr J. M. Bird, Secretary, Burden Neurological Hospital, Stoke Lane, Stapleton, Bristol BS16 1QT (telephone 0272 701212, extension 2925).

The Xth International Congress of Group Psychotherapy on **Encounter or Alienation: the significance of**

**the group in modern society** will be held in Amsterdam from 27 August- 2 September 1989. Keynote speakers will address the themes: the *individual and society* (Augusto Boal, playwright, Brazil); influences of the *social group* (Renaat Devisch, social anthropologist, Belgium); paranoiagenesis in *organisations* (Otto Kernberg, psychoanalyst USA); conflict at *international level* (Sir J. Thomson, ex UK Ambassador to UN); *Moreno and group therapies* (G. Leutz, psychodramatist, Germany, M. Pines, group analyst, UK and Z. Moreno, psychodramatist, USA). There will be symposia, workshops and discussion groups on all facets of psychotherapy in the group. A full social programme and a pre-Congress training institute are arranged. Final announcement and registration forms, or further information: Dr J. Stuart Whiteley, Henderson Hospital, 2 Homeland Drive, Sutton, Surrey SM2 5LT (telephone 01661 1611).

**The Burden Neurological Institute and Hospital** are celebrating their 50th anniversary next year. As part of the programme of events they are holding an international scientific meeting entitled 'The Living Brain - A Reappraisal' from 6-8 September 1989. It is hoped registration and accommodation will be less than £200. Places are limited. Further details: Dr

S. H. Curry, The Burden Neurological Institute, Stoke Lane, Stapleton, Bristol BS16 1QT (telephone 0272 567444, extension 2903).

The next meeting of the **Buddhism, Psychology and Psychiatry Group** will be held in Northampton on 15 April 1989 on the theme of Working with Anger and other Emotions. Further details: Dr K. N. Dwivedi, Psychiatric Tutor, Springfield, Cliftonville, Northampton (telephone 0604 30082) or Mrs Lesley Curtress (telephone 0604 52323, extension 293).

The **10th World Congress of the International College of Psychosomatic Medicine** will be held at the Palacio de Congresos y Exposiciones, Madrid from 7-11 October 1989. To ensure being placed on the mailing list for papers and registration papers send your name and address to: ICPM Meeting, Tilsa, c/o Londres, 39-1°B, Madrid, Spain.

The **VIII World Congress of Psychiatry** will be held in Athens from 13-19 October 1989. Further information and travel arrangements: Katerina Rayman-Bacchus, Congress Organiser, Kuoni Travel Ltd, Kuoni House, Dorking, Surrey RH5 4AZ (telephone 0306 740888). (Please apply by 15 January 1989).

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