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## forthcoming events

### Spectacular Bodies: the Art and Science of the Human Body

at the Hayward Gallery, London. This extraordinary and ambitious exhibition brings together more than 300 treasures from some 80 medical and art museums and collections worldwide. Works of art spanning five centuries, including the anatomical drawings of Leonardo, Michelangelo, Dürer and Stubbs, 17th century Dutch portraits of surgeons at work and outstanding paintings by Rembrandt, Géricault and Courbet, will be shown alongside remarkable life-size anatomical models, medical instruments and prints and drawings used in the study of the human face and body.

Spectacular Bodies promises to be a revelatory show, providing an enlightening new context for an extraordinary collection of material, much of which has never before been seen in an art gallery. The exhibition is on at the Hayward Gallery, London, from 19 October 2000–14 January 2001. Opening hours are 10am–6pm daily and until 8pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Admission costs £8 (£6 concessions) but is free to Hayward members. For further details visit the gallery online at <http://www.hayward-gallery.org.uk>. To accompany the exhibition there will be a series of talks held at the Royal Festival Hall. In particular, on Thursday 16 November 2000 at 7.30pm, scientist Susan Greenfield and writer Al Alvarez will consider what we know today and ponder the links between extreme mental states (such as depression or insanity) and creativity. The title of the talk is 'The Brain'.

Three forensic mental health providers are holding a national conference on the disordered personality, **Dilemmas of the Disordered Personality**. National and international speakers will review current issues facing professionals engaged with this group and offer directions in terms of management and treatment. The conference will be held in Nottingham on 29–30 November 2000. For further details contact Joanne Gleaden on tel.: 01777 247 232.

A one day conference, **Suicide Prevention in Prison**, will be held on Thursday 16 November 2000. The meeting will be held at the Postgraduate Centre, Princess of Wales Hospital in Bridgend, hosted jointly by the Mental Health Directorate and the South West Forensic Psychiatric Service of Bro Morgannwg NHS Trust. Further information can be obtained from the Postgraduate Department at the Princess of Wales Hospital on tel.: 01656 752 752 ext. 2242.

A 12 week **Introductory Course in Cognitive-Behavioural Therapy (CBT)** will be run by Professor Nicholas Tarrier, Academic Division of Clinical Psychology, University of Manchester. In addition to providing workshops on CBT, the course will also provide detailed clinical supervision and any participant will be expected to take on a patient for CBT while the course is running. The course will be based in Manchester and consists of a first full-day followed by 11 half-day sessions. The course will run 15 January–2 April 2001. The course fee is £400.00. For further details please contact Mrs Joyce Russell, Academic Division of Clinical Psychology, Rawnsley Building, Manchester Royal Infirmary, Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9WL (tel.: 0161 276 5387; e-mail: [Joyce.D.Russell@man.ac.uk](mailto:Joyce.D.Russell@man.ac.uk)).

Newton Lodge Regional Secure Unit is organising a one day conference on **Empathy and Remorse in Mentally Disordered Offenders** at Fieldhead Hospital, Wakefield, on Friday 3 November 2000. Further information can be obtained from Dr L. Haskayne (tel.: 01924 327 377; fax: 01924 327 383).

The Clinical Governance Support Service will be holding two 1-day events: a multi professional conference, **Clinical Governance in Forensic Mental Health Services**, on 7 December 2000 in central London, and a symposium, **Involving Service Users**, on 28 February 2001. For programmes and booking forms contact Michelle Procopi (tel.: 020 7227 0829; e-mail: [m.procopi@virgin.net](mailto:m.procopi@virgin.net)).

The College Research Unit is organising a 1-day multi-professional conference, **How can mental health services improve the way they manage clinical information?** on 31 January 2001 in central London. For a programme and booking form please contact Emma George (tel.: 020 7227 0825; e-mail: [emma1.george@virgin.net](mailto:emma1.george@virgin.net)).

**FOCUS** at the Royal College of Psychiatrists' Research Unit is the project that promotes effective practice in child and adolescent mental health. Forthcoming FOCUS events include: **Practice & Potential in Child & Adolescent Mental Health Practice**, a conference for nurses on Friday 8 December 2000, Barbican Centre, London; FOCUS is supporting a series of 10 lectures entitled **'Neuropsychiatric and psychoanalytic perspectives in child and adolescent disorders; an interdisciplinary dialogue'**, organised by the Anna Freud Centre – 28 February–1 July 2001,

London; and FOCUS is supporting the **fourth annual ADDISS conference**, 'ADHD Across the Lifespan', 26–28 March 2001, London. For further details telephone Catherine Ayres, FOCUS Project Administrator on tel.: 020 7227 0822.

Specialists from the UK and Norway will address bullying in schools at the study day to be held by the **Association for Child Psychology and Psychiatry at Regent's College** in London on 18 November 9am–4.15pm. Admission is £85 for members and £95–£105 for non-members. The event is part of a comprehensive programme of events the ACP is running for the autumn and details and programmes can be obtained from the association offices on tel.: 020 7403 7458. For further information contact Frederick Wentworth-Bowyer, Chief Executive, the Association for Child Psychology and Psychiatry on tel.: 020 7403 7458 or Lyn Smith, Public Relations Adviser on tel.: 020 8977 3710.

The **Annual Conference of the Centre for Freudian Analysis & Research** takes place in London on 25th November on the theme 'Anxiety, Fear and Panic'. Clinical and theoretical papers explore this from a lacanian perspective, with speakers from England, France, Belgium and the US. For further details contact: The Secretary, CFAR, 76 Haverstock Hill, London NW3 2BE, tel.: 020 7267 3003.

The **Oxfordshire Learning Disability NHS Trust** is conducting a study of dedicated clinical services in the UK (NHS or otherwise) for adults with Aspergers syndrome. If you currently provide a designated service for clients with Aspergers, or know of any group that is successfully doing so, we would be very grateful if you could spare 5 minutes of your time to talk to us. In return, on completion of the project, we will share our knowledge about the network of such services in the country. For further information please contact Sally Powis or Nick Keene at Clinical Psychology Department, Oxfordshire Learning Disabilities NHS Trust, Slade House, Horspath Driftway, Headington, Oxford, (tel.: 01865 228131; e-mail: [sally.powis@oldt.anglox.nhs.uk](mailto:sally.powis@oldt.anglox.nhs.uk)).