

## Miscellany

### Crichton 150

Crichton Royal Hospital, Dumfries, celebrates its 150th anniversary in 1989. As part of the celebrations there will be a scientific symposium from 17–19 May 1989, to which all psychiatrists who have worked at Crichton Royal are cordially invited. If any psychiatrist who has worked at Crichton Royal has not yet been contacted and wishes further information, he/she should write to Dr R. G. McCreadie, Director of Clinical Research, Crichton Royal Hospital, Dumfries DG1 4TG.

### DHSS Child Sexual Abuse Training Programme

The Institute of Child Health, London in conjunction with the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street invite applications for this two day per week 12 month multi-disciplinary post-professional qualification training programme in child sexual abuse at the Institute of Child Health, London. The aims of the course are to enhance assessment and treatment skills in child sexual abuse, and to assist in the development of training in local communities, with a view to the development of a co-ordinated, structured, multi-disciplinary service delivery to CSA victims and their families. The course consists of one day per week study day and one day per week placement, and is available to a limited number of professionals from the fields of social work, clinical psychology, child psychiatry and community paediatrics. It commences in March 1989. Please contact Short Courses Office (Room G6), Institute of Child Health, 30 Guilford Street, London WC1N 1EH (telephone 01 829 8692) for prospectus and application form. The closing date is in three weeks time.

### *The Irish Journal of Psychological Medicine*

*The Irish Journal of Psychological Medicine* welcomes submissions of relevant original articles. They undertake rapid assessment and publication within six months of acceptance. All submissions and correspondence should be addressed to the Editor, Irish Journal of Psychological Medicine, PO Box 418, St Brendan's Hospital, Rathdown Road, Dublin 7, Ireland.

### New epilepsy educational package

The National Society for Epilepsy has produced a new educational video-package called 'Understanding Epilepsy'. It is aimed at hospital doctors and

comprises three programmes (written, directed and produced by Michael Roberts) covering the essentials of diagnosis, treatment and antiepileptic drugs, as well as slides for teaching purposes and a handbook. Further information can be obtained from the Education and Information Department, National Society for Epilepsy, Chalfont St Peter, Buckinghamshire SL9 0RJ (telephone 02407 3991).

### MIND Publications

MIND's Mail Order Service has issued a new list of their books and pamphlets. It is available free on receipt of a stamped, addressed envelope from: MIND Mail Order Service, 4th Floor, 24–32 Stephenson Way, London NW1 2HD.

### The Institute of Medical Ethics

The Institute of Medical Ethics has a programme of research, publication and education in medical ethics. The Institute publishes the *Journal of Medical Ethics* and the *IME Bulletin*. Through the London Medical Group (a student group for the study of issues raised by the practice of medicine) and similar groups elsewhere, the Institute sponsors regular programmes of lectures and symposia in British university teaching hospitals. Further information about the Institute is available from the Institute of Medical Ethics, Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9LG (telephone 01 387 8132). Further information about publications is obtainable from Maureen Bannatyne, IME Publications Ltd, 151 Great Portland Street, London W1N 5PB (telephone 01 580 5282).

### Burden Research Prize

Entry for the Burden Research Prize is open to all registered medical practitioners who are working in the field of mental handicap or closely related specialties such as genetics, in the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland. The award for 1989, consisting of a prize of £500, may be presented for outstanding research work which has been published, accepted for publication or presented as a paper to a learned society during the three-year period ending 31 December 1988. Five copies of the paper or papers, with application form, should be submitted to the Secretary of the Burden Trust by 29 February 1989. Further information and application forms are available from the Secretary, Burden Trust, 51 Princes Road, Richmond upon Thames, Surrey TW10 6DQ.