

COLLEGE EVENTS

Psychotherapy Section

The Psychotherapy Section announces the following meetings during 1978:

Wednesday, 8 February, at 4.45 p.m. at the Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1 (in conjunction with the Winter Quarterly Meeting of the College): joint meeting with the Child Psychiatry Section on 'Focal family therapy'. Speakers: Drs A. Bentovim and W. Kinston.

Wednesday, 8 March, at 8.15 p.m. at the Tavistock Centre, Belsize Lane, London NW3: Dr A. Limen-tani will speak on 'Psychotherapy and transsexualism'.

25 and 26 April (in conjunction with the Spring Quarterly Meeting of the College in Dublin): Programme to be announced.

Wednesday, 10 May, at 8.15 p.m. at the Tavistock Centre: Dr A. C. Robin Skynner will speak on 'Interpretations, modelling and other therapeutic messages'.

Wednesday, 14 June, at 8.15 p.m. at the Royal Society of Medicine: Dr Heinz Wolff will speak on 'Psychopathology and the management of patients with psychosomatic symptoms'.

4-6 July (in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the College), venue to be arranged: Professor Hana Segal will speak on 'Transference and counter-transference'.

Seventh Clinical Tutors' Conference

The next Clinical Tutors' Conference will be held at the Van Mildert College in Durham on 29, 30 and 31 March 1978. The main theme will be a review of the approval schemes for general and higher professional training in psychiatry. We will assemble in the evening of Wednesday (29th) and the meeting will close in the late afternoon of Friday (31st). Those who wish to attend but have not already applied for a place are asked to get in touch with Jane Boyce (Royal College of Psychiatrists, Tel. 01-235 2351) without delay.

LEONARD TARLO

Chairman, Clinical Tutors' Sub-Committee

Group for the Psychiatry of Old Age

There will be a Day Conference on 'Psychiatric Services for the Elderly' on Monday, 6 February, at the Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London, W.1. Programme and application form from the Royal College of Psychiatrists, 17 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PG. (telephone 01-235 2351, ext. 30).

The Group is pleased to announce that its application to become a Specialist Section has been approved by Council for submission to the Annual General Meeting in July 1978.

Papers for the Annual Meeting, 1978

The Programmes and Meetings Committee invites members of the College to submit papers on miscellaneous topics for presentation at the Annual Meeting, which is to be held on 4, 5 and 6 July 1978. Depending on the number offered, the Committee is prepared to make arrangements for parallel sessions to enable as many papers as possible to be read. I would be grateful to hear from members who have papers which they would like to present. The closing date for the receipt of summaries is *28 February 1978*.

E. G. LUCAS

Honorary Secretary,

Programmes and Meetings Committee

Child Psychiatry Section

The Annual Scientific Meeting of the Section will be held at the Royal College of Physicians, Regents Park, London, on Friday 10 March, from 10 am to 5 pm. The theme is 'Language Problems—Current Status'. The morning session, on 'The Social Context', will be chaired by Professor Philip Graham; the afternoon session, on 'Clinical Problems of Language Disorder', will be chaired by Dr Sula Wolff. The fee of £7.80 includes lunch, tea and coffee. Applications should be sent to Dr A. R. Nicol, Nuffield Child Psychiatry Unit, Hospital for Sick Children, Great North Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE2 3AX. *College members will get preference until 24 February; the final closing date is 3 March.*