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What's New

Following our recent change of name we have now launched an interim website to keep people up-to-date with what is happening at the Development Centre.



We hope that the new-look site is well received and users find it easier to navigate than the previous one. Work continues on the website so we hope that you will visit regularly to see how it progresses.

Visit the site at: <http://www.swdc.org.uk>

Contribute to forthcoming e-Bulletins

Please send information, by no later than the first Friday of the month, via email to carol.prescott@csip.org.uk.

Contact us

The final pages of this e-Bulletin provide information on how to contact the **South West Development Centre (CSIP)**, **Department of Health Social Care** and the **Regional Improvement & Efficiency Partnership**.

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South West Development Centre (CSIP)



[University College London chosen to develop training for Stop Smoking Workforce](#)

A consortium headed up by University College London has been chosen by the Department of Health to head up a nationally accredited training system for NHS Stop Smoking practitioners.

The UK is the only country in the world that has a network of free stop smoking services. As part of the drive to modernise and professionalise the work of these life-saving NHS services, in July 2007, Minister for Public Health Dawn Primarolo announced the government's intention to create a nationally accredited training system for the stop smoking workforce.

Read more ... <http://www.swdc.org.uk/2009/03/university-college-london-chosen-to-develop-training-for-stop-smoking-workforce/>

[New Agency For a New Era in Mental Health](#)

A new agency to ensure national mental health policies bring about real improvements for patients and carers will start work on 1 April, Care Services Minister Phil Hope announced today.

The new agency - the National Mental Health Development Unit - will succeed the current National Institute for Mental Health in England.

Read more ... <http://www.swdc.org.uk/2009/03/new-agency-for-a-new-era-in-mental-health/>

[A new vision for mental health and well-being](#)

Care Services Minister Phil Hope announces new strategy to promote good mental health and well-being.

The millions of people who suffer from or might face mental illness at some point in their lives will be the focus of a new strategy, Care Services Minister Phil Hope announced today.

"New Horizons" is a new strategy that will promote good mental health and well-being, whilst improving services for people who have mental health problems. It will build on the National Service Framework for mental health - widely acknowledged as the catalyst for a transformation in mental health care over the last ten years - which comes to an end in 2009.

Read more ... <http://www.swdc.org.uk/2009/04/a-new-vision-for-mental-health-and-well-being/>

News

[Recruitment of Local Improvement Advisors](#)

The Improvement and Development Agency are wanting to recruit Local Improvement Advisors. Local Improvement Advisors form a panel of experts to support Local Authorities and their strategic partners to develop services, build capacity and improve delivery of Local Area Agreements. Through the network of Regional Improvement and Efficiency Partnerships, those advisors will be commissioned to undertake a variety of assignments to provide support in a variety of service delivery and cross-cutting themes. The scheme is managed on behalf of all the RIEPs by West Midlands RIEP, with funding from the Department of Communities and Local Government.

Read more ... <http://www.swdc.org.uk/2009/04/recruitment-of-local-improvement-advisors/>

[New Initiative for Supported Employment for People with Mental Health Conditions](#)

The Sainsbury Centre are inviting applications to work with them on a new initiative with regard to supported employment for people with mental health conditions.

Read more ... <http://www.swdc.org.uk/2009/04/new-initiative-for-supported-employment-for-people-with-mental-health-conditions/>

News

Department of Health Social Care

[New regulation for health and adult social care providers](#)

A new framework to regulate the safety and quality of health and social care services was published today by the Department of Health, ahead of the new Care Quality Commission coming into effect on 1 April 2009.

From 2010/11, the Care Quality Commission will register all providers of health and adult social care services against a single set of registration requirements that are focused on the safety and quality of care. Without registering with the Care Quality Commission, it will be illegal for health and adult social care organisations to provide services that are in the scope of the new framework. To maintain their registration, providers will need to demonstrate an ongoing ability to meet all the requirements.

Read more ... <http://www.swdc.org.uk/2009/03/new-regulation-for-health-and-adult-social-care-providers/>

[New pilots announced to bring health and social care together](#)

Patients in 16 pilot sites will benefit from a trial to see how health and social care services can join together to increase quality of care, Health Minister Ben Bradshaw and Care Services Minister Phil Hope announced today. The £4million scheme has been designed to look beyond traditional health and social care boundaries to explore how services for patients and service users can be improved. The scheme will then assess the benefits of different models of care and identify any best practice that could be used more widely.

Read more ... <http://www.swdc.org.uk/2009/04/new-pilots-announced-to-bring-health-and-social-care-together/>

News

Regional Improvement & Efficiency Partnership

There are no news items in this section this month.

Publications

South West Development Centre (CSIP)



Children & Families

Healthy lives, brighter futures – The strategy for children and young people’s health

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_094400?IdcService=GET_FILE&dID=184390&Rendition=Web

Mental Health

Adult Specialist Community Mental Health Services

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/adult-specialist-community-mental-health-services.pdf>

Acute Inpatient Care

Strategies to Reduce Missing Patients - A Practical Workbook

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/strategies-to-reduce-missing-patients-a-practical-workbook.pdf>

Advocacy

New Headspace Toolkit

<http://www.headspacetoolkit.org/>

Making decisions: The Independent Mental Capacity Advocate (IMCA) service

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_095891?IdcService=GET_FILE&dID=187287&Rendition=Web

Carers

Putting People First Without Putting Carers Second

<http://www.carers.org/professionals/adult-carers/health-and-wellbeing,808,PP.html>

Publications

Commissioning

Securing better health for children and young people through world class commissioning

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/securing-better-health-for-children-and-young-people-through-world-class-commissioning.pdf>

Healthy lives brighter futures the strategy for children and young peoples health

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/healthy-lives-brighter-futures-the-strategy-for-children-and-young-peoples-health.pdf>

Care Quality Commissioner's Consultation on Reviews in 2009/10

http://www.pcc.nhs.uk/uploads/commissioning/2009/cqc_reviews_0910_consultation.pdf

A better return: Setting the foundations for intelligent commissioning to achieve value for money

<http://www.idea.gov.uk/idk/aio/9410371>

Code of conduct for Payment by Results: from 1 April 2009

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_096351?IdcService=GET_FILE&dID=188045&Rendition=Web

Dual Diagnosis

Dual Diagnosis Themed Review Report 2006-07 SHA Regional Reports South West

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/dual-diagnosis-themed-review-report-2006-07-sha-regional-reports-south-west.pdf>

A Guide to the Management of Dual Diagnosis for Prisons

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/a-guide-for-the-management-of-dual-diagnosis-for-prisons.pdf>

Equality

Equality in Later Life - A national study of older people's mental health services

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/equality-in-later-life-a-national-study-of-older-peoples-mental-health-services.pdf>

IAPT

Computerised Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (cCBT) - Evaluating cCBT Service Models in the NHS and Third Sector

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/computerised-cognitive-behavioural-therapy-ccbtt-evaluating-ccbtt-service-models-in-the-nhs-and-third-sector-informing-world-class-commissioning-in-primary-care.pdf>

Publications

Learning Disabilities

Improving the patient experience: sharing success in mental health and learning disabilities - the King's Fund's Enhancing the Healing Environment programme

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_095947?IdcService=GET_FILE&dID=187381&Rendition=Web

Legislation

Mental Capacity Act (Deprivation of Liberty: Monitoring and Reporting; and Assessments - Amendment) Regulations 2009 - response to the consultation

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Responsestoconsultations/DH_095178?IdcService=GET_FILE&dID=185994&Rendition=Web

Mental Capacity Act 2005 Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards: A guide for family, friends and unpaid carers

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_095895?IdcService=GET_FILE&dID=187288&Rendition=Web

Social Inclusion

Outcomes Framework for Mental Health Services - National Social Inclusion Programme 2009

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/outcomes-framework-for-mental-health-services.pdf>

Briefing 37: Doing What Works - Individual placement and support into employment

http://www.scmh.org.uk/pdfs/briefing37_Doing_what_works.pdf

Gypsies and Travellers: Simple solutions for living together

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/gypsies-and-travellers.pdf>

Smoking

Primary Care Guidance on Smoking and Mental Health

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/primary-care-guidance-on-smoking-and-mental-health.pdf>

Systems Development

Living Well with Dementia - a National Dementia Strategy

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/living-well-with-dementia-a-national-dementia-strategy.pdf>

Publications

Department of Health Social Care

Valuing People Now Resource Pack

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_097669

Publications

Regional Improvement & Efficiency Partnership

There are no publications in this section this month.

Events

South West Regional Events

April 22

Taking Forward Leadership Development for the Delivery of Effective Psychological Therapies

Taunton Racecourse, Taunton

Leadership is "now essential if we are to achieve system-wide transformation" Putting People First" (2007) "Leadership has been the neglected element of the reforms of recent years. That must now change." "Darzi Review" final report (DH, 2008) For further information and a booking form, please go to: <https://zimbra.csip.org.uk/service/home/~/?auth=co&id=fbd38a4d-aafb-482e-916b-fb37f479a080:8130-8129&part=2>



April 23

Acute Care & Crisis Resolution Network - Making Count Me In Count

Canalside, Bridgwater

This event provides an opportunity for acute staff to consider the findings and implications for practice of the 2008 Count Me In census. The day will promote positive practice in acute care provision for BME service users and their carers across the South West and provides an opportunity to hear about the lived experience of service user and their carers and the implications for all of us. We encourage attendees to share positive practice and the afternoon workshop enables teams to find solutions to common problems raised within the morning discussions. The programme will include presentations from local service user and carers and an update on the SWDC/NMHU developments.

For further information and a booking form, please click below

<https://zimbra.csip.org.uk/service/home/~/?auth=co&id=fbd38a4d-aafb-482e-916b-fb37f479a080:8015-8014&part=2>

April 23

Is Sex a Dirty Word? -The Challenge of Managing Sexuality in Mental Health

The Bristol Hotel, Bristol

This conference is aimed at all clinicians and policy makers and will explore the subject of sexual relationships between people with serious mental health problems. There will be an emphasis on how best to balance patient needs with risk in the context of changing legislation and developing local policy. These issues will be discussed with a view to developing a service responsive to patient needs in longer term inpatient settings such as rehabilitation and secure units. Speakers will address issues of human rights versus protection and vulnerability and how to develop local policy and protocol.

For further information, please contact Karen Sharp on Tel: 020 8810 2597 email: karensarp@cygnethealth.co.uk

April 23

Men Who Hurt

The Sabin du Loir Conference Suite, Exeter Racecourse, Kennford, Exeter, EX6 7XS

This one day in service training offers a framework for understanding and working with men who hurt. It draws upon relational and cognitive analytic therapy coupled with a sociological understanding of the factors that produce violence to self and others within the context of masculine identities in contemporary society.

For further information, please contact Caroline Howard, Administrator, Psychological Therapies Service, Parkgate House, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 3ES, or by email to Caroline.Howard@sompar.nhs.uk Tel: 01823 346134

Events

South West Regional Events

April 27

BANES Local Involvement Network

Keynsham Rugby Club , Crown Fields , Keynsham BS31 2BE

The Local Involvement Network is a new way of supporting people to have their say on health and/or social care services. The above meeting is being held and individuals, charity's and organisations who have an interest in these local services are encouraged to come along. Guest Speaker-Councillor-Adrian Inker "Overview & Scrutiny Committee" For further information, please contact Carole Pullen on Tel: 0117 9861511 or E-mail: contact@baneslink.co.uk Refreshments will be provided

April 28

Spirituality in a Changing World

Bridgwater Canalside Centre, Bridgwater TA6 6LQ

This conference will seek to provide an opportunity to explore spirituality as it relates to mental well-being in this rapidly changing world. For further information, please contact Leeanne Caldwell at Leeanne.Caldwell@swdc.org.uk or Tel. 01278 432002 Click the link below to view or download a copy of the flyer and booking form. <http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/flyer-and-rsvp-260309.doc>

April 30

Skills for Solutions

Somerset College of Arts and Technology, Taunton

This event will showcase current workforce development opportunities for the voluntary and community sector in the South West and explore how the new national skills agency 'Skills – Third Sector' can best complement existing workforce development initiatives. Aimed at both the voluntary and community and public sectors, workshops will balance practical profiling of ongoing workforce initiatives with strategic policy thinking – all aimed at demonstrating pioneering ways to overcome barriers to inclusion through workforce development. The event is organised by the regional Workforce Development and Governance Advisory Group in collaboration with South West Forum, and funded by 'Skills – Third Sector'.

For further information, please contact Tel: 01392 823758 Fax: 01392 823033 Email:

debra@southwestforum.org.uk Website: <http://www.southwestforum.org.uk>

May 7

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment: Learning Together

Holiday Inn, Taunton

The workshop provides an opportunity for people involved in all aspects of Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, from data analysis to commissioning, to discuss progress and challenges, to share experiences and to learn from each other. For more information, please contact Rachel Juffs, 0117 900 3534, Rachel.juffs@gosw.gsi.gov.uk Pamela Akerman, 0117 900 3511, pamela.akerman@gosw.gsi.gov.uk DH South West, Government Office South West, 2 Rivergate, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6EH

May 14

Planning Future Services Together

Cherry Orchard at AFC Bournemouth, Dean Court, Kings Park, Bournemouth, BH7 7AF

Adult social care is changing. In future service users will have much more control over how services develop. This event is an opportunity for service users, carers, older people, and providers of community based services and commissioners of services to discuss together what needs to change in order to deliver more personalised services. Click below to view or download the flyer & booking form. <http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/planning-future-services-together-flyer-bmth-event.doc>

Events

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May 14

Recovery Champions

Taunton Racecourse, Taunton

This event has been conceived by the South West Recovery Champions Group. The group was established in 2007, has been hosted by CSIP, and has brought together, on a regular basis, those working on developing Recovery based practices to exchange experiences. The aim of the day is to celebrate progress in the South West; to consider the Recovery process from a variety of individual perspectives, and to focus on the role of commissioning in promoting Recovery outcomes. Attendance is by invitation to Mental Health Practitioners, Managers and Commissioners; and Users, Carers and the Voluntary sector across the region. For further information and a booking form, please click the link below

<https://zimbra.csip.org.uk/service/home/~/?auth=co&id=fbd38a4d-aafb-482e-916b-fb37f479a080:8023-8022&part=2>

May 14

Working With People Who Self-Injure

Central Bristol

Informative and participative one-day workshop • Of interest to workers from statutory and voluntary sector agencies, who work with people who self-injure or who want to learn more about the issue • A chance to discuss and share experiences • An opportunity to learn from our extensive work with women who self-injure Topics covered will include: * Why do people self-injure? * What are their needs? * What issues does self-injury raise for workers? * Responding helpfully For further information or a booking form, please contact 0117 927 9600

bcsw@btconnect.com

May 18

The Times of Our Lives: Getting Positive About Age

The Taunton Conference Centre, Somerset College of Arts & Technology, Wellington Road, Taunton

This event is for individuals, and for those working in organisations who have a personal and/or professional interest in promoting equality and diversity and tackling age-related discrimination. The aim is to highlight issues of discrimination at both ends of the age spectrum. Public bodies are required to 'Address the disadvantage that individuals experience because of age, disability, gender, race, religion or belief, sexual orientation or transgender status'. This event explores age and diversity issues that affect young and older people in the South West, and ways in which public authorities can recognise and address them

For further information and a booking form, please contact Sam Partridge, Email:

Samantha.Partridge@equalitysouthwest.org.uk Telephone: 01823 250 811, Address: Equality South West, East Reach House, East Reach, Taunton, TA1 3EN. Attendance fees are: £80 for private companies; £60 to public authorities and free to voluntary and community representatives.

May 21

Carers Direct - Information Event

The Teign Suite, Newton Abbot Racecourse, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 3AF

This event is for local government, health care and third sector staff who work with carers. Informal and interactive, it will provide an overview and guide to Carers Direct, and look at future developments, for example developing an enhance directory of local services. If you would like to attend, please visit <http://www.nhschoicesevents.co.uk> to register. For further information, please contact David McConnell at NHS Choices on

david.mcconnell@dh.gsi.gov.uk or Tel: 020 7972 5055.

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South West Regional Events

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July 24

Mindfulness for Health and Well-Being

Sharpham House, Ashprington, Nr Totnes, Devon

Mindfulness-based stress reduction was developed as a way to bring the benefits of mindfulness meditation out from the boundaries of the Buddhist tradition and into mainstream society. It has been shown to help relieve stress-related health problems, and has been combined with elements of cognitive therapy to help people cope with anxiety and depression. Mindfulness is an approach to handling the stresses and strains of life by bringing our full attention to the present moment, in a non-judgmental and accepting way. This weekend retreat offers an opportunity to learn and experience mindfulness through various practices (involving sitting, lying down, or gentle movement) during which we bring attention to our sensations, emotions and thoughts. Much of the weekend will be in silence in order to support a deeper experience of mindfulness practice. Full instructions will be given, and there will be opportunities to share our experiences and to talk about how to take what has been learned back into everyday life. The weekend is open to anyone who is interested in using mindfulness to enhance their health and well-being. The retreat is suitable both for people who already have some experience of mindfulness meditation and would like to deepen their practice, and for people who are completely new to mindfulness practice. It may also be of interest to people working in health and social care who are interested in developing their personal experience of mindfulness as a foundation for exploring its relevance to their work. Duncan and Jenny are experienced clinical psychologists working in South Devon who have practised meditation for many years and have had training in mindfulness-based therapies. They have both facilitated mindfulness courses and workshops with staff and service users in medical and mental health services. The weekend will begin at 6 pm on Friday July 24th and end at around 3 pm on Sunday 26th Cost: £165 inclusive. Advance booking is essential as numbers are limited. Please send a deposit of £50 to secure a place. For more details and to book, contact: The Secretary Sharpham Centre Sharpham House Ashprington Totnes Devon TQ9 7UT Tel: 01803 732542 e-mail: centre@sharphamtrust.org www.sharphamtrust.org/centre

Events

National Events

April 22-23; May 19-21; June 3

Mental Health First Aid Instructor Training

Swindon

There will be 12 places available for the next Instructor training to support the roll out of Mental Health First Aid in England. This will take place in Swindon and runs for seven days in total. You need to attend all seven days to become an Instructor. The course dates are as follows: 22 & 23rd April, 19, 20 & 21 May 2009, 2 & 3 June 2009. There will be a charge of £500 per place for the statutory sectors and £250 for third sector organisations. To apply you need to go to the website <http://www.mhfaengland.org.uk>. The applications forms and the letter of support from your line manager are all on this site. If you wish to talk about the course please call Sarah Joy Boldison on 07775684776 or e-mail her at: sarahjoy.boldison@csip.org.uk. We will be running another Instructor course in Exeter in the Autumn -dates yet to be finalised.

May 6

Good Practice in Consent

76 Portland Place, London

A Practical one day conference examining the key components of developing good practice in consent. For more information please call Hanisha on 020 8541 1399, email hanisha@healthcare-events.co.uk or visit <http://www.healthcare-events.co.uk>. Download Brochure: <http://www.healthcare-events.co.uk/conf/booking.php?action=home&id=260>

May 15

Implementing the Mental Capacity Act - Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards in Health and Social Care

Manchester Conference Centre, Manchester

This one day conference discusses what the Deprivation of liberty Safeguards are, why they were introduced, the code of practice and key points for implementation. Click below to view or download a copy of the full brochure. <http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/deprivation-of-liberty-may.pdf>

May 19

Experiencing Madness – How the Humanities can enhance understanding of mental illness/distress

CBA1.070/071, Chancellor's Building Keele University

This workshop will explore the contribution of Medical Humanities to learning and teaching in the area of mental health. Learning outcomes: Appreciate the value of the Medical Humanities as a vehicle for understanding people's experiences of mental illness/distress. Be able to identify material from literature, cinema and other sources for teaching about mental health and psychiatry to students, whatever their discipline. Have clear ideas about how to use this material in teaching. This workshop should appeal to teachers and students of mental health from a diverse range of disciplines. For further information, please contact Jennifer Banks j.a.banks@hfac.keele.ac.uk 01782 556709

June 5

20th Annual Infancy Conference

The Mansion House, Clifton Down, Bristol BS8 3LJ

Over the last decade Infant Mental Health has increasingly found a place on the national agenda and the government has recognised the critical importance of the early years. Despite this it is still difficult to develop effective infant and perinatal mental health services. This conference will look at some of the developments that have been taking place in trying to take forward this agenda and at some of the problems still faced. It will be of interest to both practitioners and commissioners. For further information, please Tel: 0117 919 0330

Events

National Events

June 11

Alcohol, drugs & anti-social behaviour in rural areas: initiatives to turn the tide

Nottingham

Rural areas, coastal towns, ex-mining areas and market towns continue to experience significant problems from drug and alcohol abuse, and from associated anti-social behaviour. Home Office funding, which was recently announced for 50 priority areas with the highest levels of alcohol-related disorder, included places such as North East Lincolnshire, Weymouth and Mansfield. This conference is a practically focussed event which brings together a wide range of expertise on rural substance misuse and anti-social behaviour. It is a fantastic opportunity for delegates to gain an insight into other rural initiatives, and to network with other delegates and with the speakers. To book a place – or to request a printed programme: ring Central Conference Consultants Ltd on 0115 916 3104 or email ccclimited@aol.com or • book direct on the website <http://www.ccclimited.org.uk>

June 16-17

Solutions Focused Negotiation

Missenden Abbey Conference Centre, London Road, Great Missenden, Buckinghamshire HP16 0BD

The Solutions Focused Negotiation course will give participants:

- the “ART” criteria for effective negotiations,
- the “MAGIC” negotiation model,
- ample opportunity for skill-development on real-life negotiation challenges.

The course is suitable for:

- Commissioners wishing to ensure maximum benefit to service users, while sustainably developing capacity for the future, under increasingly challenging budgetary constraints.
- Service Providers needing to secure funding for effective and profitable service delivery.
- Procurement teams seeking more efficient processes for procuring more effective service provision
- Managers seeking effective partnership agreements within and across organisations.

For further information, please visit <http://www.sfwork.com/jsp/index.jsp?lnk=460> To book a place or to discuss your particular needs call Sfwork on 08453 707145

June 18

Gender on the Agenda

London

This event will offer a policy briefing and debate on gender and skills focusing on the unacknowledged gendering of the skills agenda, the particular ways in which the recession will impact on women and the implications of this for learning and skills policy and practice.

This seminar aims to:

- * brief participants on issues relating to the gender aspects of skills and work
- * discuss and debate implications for policy and practice
- * identify ways in which the learning and skills agenda can be developed to repond better to gender dimensions

For further information, please contact, Gurjit Kaur gurjit.kaur@niace.org.uk Tel: 0116 204 2833 To view the full flyer and booking form, please visit: <http://www.niace.org.uk/sites/default/files/GenderOnAgenda.pdf>

Events

National Events

June 19

The Service User Experience - Different ways of bringing this to the fore in Mental Health Teaching The Training Room, Medical Annexe, The Radbourne Unit, DCGH, Uttoxeter Road, Derby DE22 3NE

This practical workshop will demonstrate and discuss 3 different ways of bringing the experience of service users into medical student education.

- * Volunteer Patient Session
- * The use of simulated patients
- * Using Movies

It will draw on the experience of the teaching team at the Radbourne Unit (psychiatric unit), Derby City General Hospital and include the input of the service users and volunteer patients who have worked to develop this project.

For further information email mary.wheatcroft@derbymhservices.nhs.uk or to book a place, please contact Melanie Spencer on 01332 623932 or email: melanie.spencer@derbymhservices.nhs.uk

June 24

Innovation in Mental Health Seminar

Hallam Conference Centre, Hallam Street, London W1W 6JF

This event aims to provide delegates with 'good working practice' case study examples of the implementation of innovation in mental health projects. Presenters have been recognised in the HSJ 2008 Awards programme for their work. Hear about their practical experience, the benefits achieved and have the opportunity to examine how their work may be transferred to other healthcare service providers. Click the link below to view or download the full brochure and booking form <http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/innovation-in-mental-health-seminar.pdf>

June 30

Strategies for an Ageing Population

Business Design Centre, London

Strategies for an Ageing Population will provide networking opportunities with over 400 key decision-makers from across the UK, joining 20 speakers and 19 exhibitors to discuss the latest topics impacting upon multi-agency work across a broad spectrum of services affected by the ageing population. Issues to be discussed include the significant reforms being introduced to address the challenges presented by an ageing population. A far-reaching programme of pension reforms will significantly increase the number of people who qualify for a state pension.

For further information or to book a place, please go to: <http://www.govnet.co.uk/ageing/index.php>

July 1

How to Listen So Children Can Talk

Eastpoint Centre, Burgoyne Rd, Southampton SO19 6PB

Children and Young People try to tell or communicate in many ways, many of them not including speech. Adults need to be able to be with a child in a way that enables the child or young person to feel comfortable and heard on many levels. It should not be the child or young person's fault if the adult fails in this and the child or young person is not able to tell or to be heard. It will include information about how children and young people tell, what stops children and young people from telling, neurobiology, blame, shame, 'telling' behaviours and attachment. This will include how to listen when a child or young person has no speech.

For further information and for a booking form, please contact: Tel: 023 80 338080 or Email: admin@cisters.org.uk or gfinch@cisters.org.uk

Events

National Events

July 20

IAHSA 09 Conference - Leadership Beyond Borders

Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, London

This conference offers three days of education and networking opportunities that will bring the conference theme - Leadership Beyond Borders - alive! Each day participants choose from a wide array of educational sessions that will expose you to international perspectives on common challenges and opportunities in the ageing services sector. New Conference Features Highlights of this conference includes two new programme features: Poster Sessions and Global Cafés. These unique sessions will give you the opportunity to engage with your colleagues and exchange ideas and best practices in a casual and relaxed setting. Session Abstracts To help participants select which sessions to attend out of more than 75 educational offerings presentation abstracts have been added to the website. Click the link below to visit the website at:

<http://www.iahsa.net/LONDON/internalpage.aspx?id=5512&linkidentifier=id&itemid=5512>

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