

SW Regional Bulletin

Health & Social Care



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Issue

A National BME Network for the NHS

At an inaugural BME Network conference for the NHS held in June 2009 86% of those present voted for the establishment of an independent National BME Network for the NHS.

To facilitate the establishment of this Network five regional meetings, sponsored by the Care Quality Commission, were arranged to take place in London, Bristol, Leicester, Birmingham and Leeds. These meetings aimed to give BME staff the opportunity to contribute and develop a *National Operational Framework* to outline the priorities for the Network and how it intends to work with stakeholders to deliver its vision for racial equality in the NHS.

These regional meetings would also provide BME staff with the opportunity to discuss their concerns for the regulation of the NHS with representatives from the Care Quality Commission and share their vision with potential champions, such as NHS Chief Executive Officers and senior leaders.

To deliver on the *National Operational Framework*, the National Transitional Committee, chaired by Dr Vivienne Lyfar-Cissé, requires BME staff to volunteer their time and commitment to serve as National Officers for their region or as National Leads for their NHS organisation. If you would like to volunteer, please contact John Petley at johnpetley@yahoo.co.uk.

The National NHS BME Network will be launched on 4 June 2010 at the Hilton, Park Lane, London followed by a dinner dance in the evening. Speakers to date include David Nicholson, NHS Chief Executive Officer and Cynthia Bower, Care Quality Commission, Chief Executive Officer.

Contribute to forthcoming e-Bulletins

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

Contact us

The final pages of this e-Bulletin provide information on how to contact the **South West Development Centre** and the **Department of Health South West**.

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Safety & Security Directions – High Secure Psychiatric Services – Proposals for consultation

The aim of this consultation is to gather views on the proposed revision of The High Security Psychiatric Services (Arrangements for Safety and Security at Ashworth, Broadmoor and Rampton Hospitals) Directions 2009 and associated guidance, by inviting the views of key stakeholder

Read more ... <http://www.swdc.org.uk/2009/08/safety-security-directions-high-secure-psychiatric-services-proposals-for-consultation/>

Mental Health Foundation – Dementia Choices Project

Dementia Choices is a two year project which began in April 2009 and is funded through the Department of Health's Innovation, Excellence and Service Development Third Sector Investment programme.

Read more ... <http://www.swdc.org.uk/2009/08/mental-health-foundation-dementia-choices-project/>

Care Quality Commission consultation: mental health strategy

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) is developing a strategy for its work on mental health over the next three to five years.

News

Read more ... <http://www.swdc.org.uk/2009/08/care-quality-commission-consultation-mental-health-strategy/>

News

Department of Health South West

Revitalising Leadership: A Leadership Development Programme for Adult Social Care

ADASS and the Joint Improvement Partnership are committed to developing leadership capacity within Adult Social Care Services in the South West.

Read more ... <http://www.swdc.org.uk/2009/08/revitalising-leadership-a-leadership-development-programme-for-adult-social-care/>



Publications

South West Development Centre (CSIP)





	<p>Report on the National Patient Choice Survey - March 2009 England</p> <p>http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/Report-on-the-national-patient-choice-survey-March-2009-England.pdf</p>
	<p>Improving Access to Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services</p> <p>http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/Improving-access-to-child-and-adolescent-mental-health-services.pdf</p>
	<p>A Resource Pack for Working with Older Prisoners</p> <p>http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/A-resource-pack-for-working-with-older-prisoners.pdf</p>
	<p>Working with Older Prisoners Workshop</p> <p>http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/Working-with-older-prisoners-workshop.pdf</p>
	<p>The Evidence Base to Guide Development of Tier 4 CAMHS</p> <p>http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/The-evidence-base-to-guide-development-of-tier-4-CAMHS.pdf</p>
	<p>Transition from CAMHS to Adult Mental Health Services - Report of the TRACK National Symposium (30 April 2009)</p> <p>http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/Transition-from-CAMHS-to-Adult-Mental-Health-Services-Report-of-the-National-Symposium-30-April-2009.doc</p>
	<p>Kick the Habit - A UN Guide to Climate Neutrality</p> <p>http://www.unep.org/publications/ebooks/kick-the-habit/pdfs/KickTheHabit_en_lr.pdf</p>

Publications

	<p>Involving Service Users and Carers in Education - the Development Worker's Role</p> <p>http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/ducie-guidelines.pdf</p>
	<p>Sexual Abuse and Therapeutic Services for Children and Young People</p> <p>http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/Sexual-Abuse-and-Therapeutic-Services-for-Children-and-Young-People.pdf</p>

Publications

Department of Health South West

	<p>Towards a Strategy to Support Volunteering in Health and Social Care: Consultation - Response to the consultation</p> <p>http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/Towards-a-strategy-to-support-volunteering-in-health-and-social-care-consultation-Response-to-the-consultation.pdf</p>
	<p>Social Care Bulletin - Green Paper Special Issue</p> <p>http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/Social-care-bulletin-green-paper-special-issue.pdf</p>

Events

South West Regional Events

23 September

Personalisation and Mental Health Workshop

Exeter Racecourse

This workshop aims to increase awareness and understanding about the personalisation agenda and its relevance to, and place within mental health services. It will:-
 · present examples of how personalisation has been implemented in different settings within mental health services, within the South West;
 · and provide a forum for people responsible for implementing personalisation to identify and address challenges and opportunities for local implementation. The workshops are for:-
 · service directors and operational managers;
 · team leaders – inpatient and community mental health services;
 · staff with responsibility for implementing personal budgets;
 · third sector agencies, including providers;
 · people with lived experience of mental health services, and people who support them;
 · service commissioners. For a booking form, please contact jane.rawlinson@swdc.org.uk.



24 September

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 issues 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 and a booking form, please telephone 0117 929 9600

25 September

Issues of Belief, Faith and Culture in the Workplace and Community

Plymouth

The day aims to provide opportunities to raise awareness and deepen understanding, increase sensitivity, meet people from local faith communities and look at practical ways of promoting awareness and understanding. For further details, please see the event poster which can be downloaded at:

http://www.equalitysouthwest.org.uk/esw/live/events/september/Plymouth_Centre.doc

A booking form for this course is available at:

http://www.equalitysouthwest.org.uk/esw/live/events/september/25_9_09_booking_form.doc

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Events

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6 October

Aspergers Training - Level 1

Markwick Centre, Dampier Street, Yeovil, BA21 4EN

• Use of a visualisation exercise • What is Asperger Syndrome? • Consideration of the Autistic Spectrum • Triad of Impairments and related cognitive theories • Individual Influences • Discussion about sensory processing and its affects with those with ASD • Ourselves as a tool • S.U.P.P.O.R.T.S. – summary of suggested strategies

For further information, please contact Charles Brunker on 01935 410138 or Email:

charles.brunker@southsomersetmind.co.uk

7 October

Capacity, Consent and The Law - Mental Capacity Act 2005

Taunton Racecourse, Somerset TA3 7BL

The Mental Capacity Act 2005 (MCA) places a statutory duty on healthcare staff (doctors, dentists, nurses, therapists, radiologists, paramedics etc) to assist individuals who may lack capacity to make their own decisions and permits those who have capacity to plan for a time when they may not, by creating an advance decision or a Lasting Power of Attorney. Research since the introduction of the MCA suggests that clinicians and other healthcare staff know very little about the Principles of the MCA or how they could demonstrate compliance with the MCA. The Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards became effective on the 1st April 2009 and is also part of the MCA. The safeguards apply to people in England and Wales who have a mental disorder and lack capacity to consent to the arrangements made for their care and treatment, which may amount to a deprivation of their liberty in hospitals and care homes. Key issues for the day • Introduction to the Mental Capacity Act • Advance Decisions and Lasting Power of Attorney • Capacity • Consent and Best Interests • The Role of the Independent Mental Capacity Advocate (IMCA) • Documentation and Protection from Liability • Children and Capacity • Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards • Specialist views of the MCA 2005 Who should attend? Doctors and Senior Healthcare professionals of PCTs and NHS Trusts. 5 CPD Points Awarded Event Organiser - Dr Andrew Tillyard – Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust For further information about this event please contact: Amanda Williams, Improvement and Development Manager MCA and DOLS - The South West Development Centre Mobile - 07825 843356 or Email - amanda.williams@swdc.org.uk Attendance Fee of £20 per person Please send booking forms to The South West Development Centre.

9 October

Gender Equality and the South West Economy

The Taunton Conference Centre, Somerset College, Wellington Road, Taunton, TA1 5AU

The aim of the day is to explore the causes of the gender pay gap and consider measures to address this. There will be interactive workshops and discussions relating to gender equality in education, training, the workplace and mental health. A draft programme and booking form are available below. Places are free for Voluntary and Community Sector Organisations and places for Public and Private Sector representatives are available at a cost of £60 per person. If your organisation would like to hold a stall at this event, please contact Sam Partridge. Please complete and return the booking form by post or email by Friday 25th September to Sam Partridge (email: samantha.partridge@equalitysouthwest.org.uk). Please feel free to circulate this invitation to any of your colleagues who may be interested. We look forward to seeing you there. Draft Programme available at: <http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/Gender-Equality-Programme.doc> Booking Form available at: <http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/Gender-Equality-Booking-Form.doc>

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13 October

Mental Health First Aid Instructor Training (Cohort 23)

Exeter

MHFA Instructor Training consists of 7 days with additional follow up support. The dates for the course in Exeter starting on 13th October 2009 are outlined below (each cohort will have up to 12 instructors). Instructors **MUST** attend all seven dates identified within their chosen cohort. The cost of the Instructors training is £1900 plus VAT. Training dates are: 13, 14, 26, 27 & 28 October 2009 and 9 & 10 November 2009 Click below for accompanying documentation.

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/mental-health-first-aid-instructors-training.doc>

14 October

Healthy Minds Football Tournament

GOALS, Plymouth

Rethink will be holding a 5-a-side football tournament to raise awareness of Mental Health issues and challenge stigma. They will be promoting exercise and involvement in sport as part of keeping well, mentally and physically. Businesses and organisations in Plymouth and surrounding areas are will be invited to take part, making it a real community event. Teams are required from across Devon to take part, £10/team (includes lunch). There will also be an opportunity for organisations to have a display area to promote their service, £10/stall. In order to cover the cost of the event, Rethink have arranged a couple of smaller fundraising events, the first being a pub quiz at the Barrel House in Totnes on 20th August, using the Time for Change Quiz pack. For further information, please contact luke.grantham@rethink.org or cait.leeke@rethink.org or Tel: 01803 868899

20 October

Healthy Lives

Ramada Hotel, Bristol

Further information will be available shortly. Please contact Jess Smith on 01278 432002; Email:

Jessica.smith@swdc.org.uk

21 October

Issues of Belief, Faith and Culture in the Workplace and Community

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Please email: pcfcd@plymouth.gov.uk for a booking form for this course.

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4 November

Capacity, Consent and The Law - Mental Capacity Act 2005

Grasmere House Hotel, Salisbury SP2 8JN

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10 November

Aspergers Training - Level 2

Markwick Centre, Dampier Street, Yeovil, BA21 4EN

Please Note: You must have already completed level one before you can embark on the Level 2 training.

- Review of information from Level one including visualisation exercise
- Identifying difficulties related to those you know and this information
- Sensory processing in more detail: observations and what to do/strategies
- Brief discussion about mental health and autism
- S.U.P.P.O.R.T.S. – strategies in action – practical ideas with those you know
- Next steps

For further information, please contact Charles Bruncker on 01935 410138 or Email:

charles.bruncker@southsomersetmind.co.uk

14 November

Emotional Wellbeing in Primary Schools - Recognising Difficulties and Promoting Positive Outcomes

Centre Parcs, Longleat, Warminster, Wiltshire BA12 7PU

Click below for further details.

<http://www.swdc.org.uk/news/wp-content/uploads/emotional-wellbeing-in-primary-schools-conference.pdf>

17 November

Somerset Voluntary and Community Sector Conference: "Building on Success: Tackling Health Inequalities Together"

Canalside Conference Centre, Bridgwater

Following the success of the Voluntary and Community Sector Conference in October 2008, NHS Somerset, in partnership with Somerset Voluntary Sector Network and Somerset County Council will be holding the 2009 conference in November. The event will include the following: An interactive debate on Tackling Health Inequalities The Annual Meeting of Somerset Voluntary Sector Network A showcase of partnership projects If you would like the opportunity to promote your particular organisation, limited space will be available for individual stands. These will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Please put this date in your diary and if you would like the opportunity to have a stand to promote your organisation, email ben.hewlett@somerset.nhs.uk or call 01935 385060 before Friday 18 September 2009. Full details of the day and booking forms will be available at the end of September 2009.

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18-19 November

People, Lives & Communities

Bristol Marriott Royal Hotel

The conference, which is supported by the Department of Health, Joseph Rowntree Foundation and Society Guardian, will focus on how different government initiatives (e.g. Personalisation, Right to Control and the new Duty to Involve) can help to increase inclusion for people with learning disabilities, people with mental health problems and older people – moving beyond a traditional client group based approach. The conference aims to support greater understanding of the policy direction and to go beyond this by identifying what is working now and generating practical ideas for action to make inclusion possible. We're very excited to be running this event and hope you can join us to explore different ways of moving this agenda forward together. To ensure that older and disabled people and their families have their voice at the centre of this event, for every two full fee places which are booked by an organisation or locality one free place (including hotel accommodation) will be available to an expert by experience, funded by the Department of Health. The conference fee for delegates from statutory organisations is £285+VAT and for voluntary/not for profit organisations £235+VAT. This price includes: attendance for the 2 days, all refreshments including conference dinner, but no accommodation. Accommodation for conference delegates at the Bristol Marriott Royal is £105 incl VAT per room, per night. Details of how to book will be on the full flyer. We are also pleased to offer an earlybird discount of 10% on the conference fee for all bookings received before 30th September, so do book early! If you're interested in finding out more, please see the attached leaflet which provides further information about the event. We'll provide further updates as the programme is confirmed. Meanwhile if you have any enquiries about the event, or if you would like to reserve places now, please contact Centrevents (who are organising the conference) on 0208 9221135 or 01273 441676 or email info@centrevvents.co.uk

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Please email: pcfcd@plymouth.gov.uk for a booking form.

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9 September

The Past, the Present, the Future - 9th Annual Mental Health Education and Training Conference

Hendon Campus, Middlesex University

The conference will examine the role of education and training as an essential bridge between legislation, policy and practice. This will be done through: * presentations on the key themes of the past, present and future for mental health training and education * workshops concentrating on specific areas and challenges for education and training * discussion groups looking at achievements and challenges * a concluding session to evaluate the conference, draw together key messages and set the scene for the 2010 conference. Aims of the conference The overall aim of this conference is to bring together trainers and educators across the broad field of mental health to: * critically reflect on and take stock of developments in mental health education and training over the past 12 years * critically reflect on the overall climate within which education and training providers operate today * consider some examples of the effective delivery of training and education, including areas for future challenges * encourage networking and the sharing of ideas amongst all Click the link below to view or download the programme or booking form <http://www.pavpub.com/pavpub/Common/Download.asp?ID=50&FileName=past12.pdf>

Click the link below to book a place online

<http://www.pavpub.com/pavpub/shopcart/inputuserdetails.asp?action=add&count=1&item=2846&ItemType=2&Conference=846>

10-11 September

Working for Inclusion - Annual Conference and AGM

Geoffrey Manton Building, Manchester Metropolitan University

This conference provides a unique opportunity for delegates to: - listen to, and question, Government policy; - discuss today's issues in workshops with experienced practitioners; and - hear about the best in Supported Employment practice. Click the link below for a copy of the Conference Brochure <http://www.base-uk.org/events/2009/conference09/index.htm> or for further assistance, please telephone 01204 880733

16 September

A Practical Guide to Delivering Personalisation

Manchester Conference Centre, Manchester

This one day conference provides a practical guide to personalisation including implementing the review of the 'No Secrets' guidance. You will have the opportunity to hear from Leo Quigley, Advisor to Department of Health on No Secrets Review, who will discuss implementing the No Secrets Guidance with a focus on balancing protection with freedom to choose, person centred safeguarding and linking personalisation, prevention and safeguarding. The conference also includes a panel discussion focused on identifying and managing risk associated personalisation for vulnerable people, providing essential information and advice on risk assessment and management. Click here to download a copy of the conference brochure which includes a booking form. <http://www.healthcare-events.co.uk/ct/HAP146/brochure>

16 September 2009

Make Good Practice, Standard Practice To Better Safeguard Children

The Ibis, Earls Court, London

A one day conference aimed at restoring confidence after Baby P and practically implementing Laming's recommendations to achieve training excellence, multi-agency best practice and increased learnings around serious case reviews. Contact: Rosie Foster on 020 8267 4011, rosie.foster@haymarket.com Click here to download a copy of the brochure which includes a booking form.

http://offlinehbpl.hbpl.co.uk/HaymarketEventsAttachments/PYC/1710909%20C&YPN-SAFEGUARDING%20CHILDREN_WEB.pdf

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21 September

The European Healthy Stadia Conference

Arena and Convention Centre, Liverpool, UK

This one day conference is aimed at representatives from public health agencies, community organisations and sports stadia representatives interested in using sports stadia and clubs to promote healthy lifestyles and environments. The conference will be followed by a gala dinner at Anfield, home of Liverpool Football Club. The Healthy Stadia Programme helps stadia to promote public health, community outreach activities and environmental initiatives, whilst supporting the corporate objectives of clubs and agencies involved. This key event will mark the launch of the European Healthy Stadia Network, and offers a key opportunity to share the learning, resources and best practice emerging from this two and a half year EU funded Programme. The event programme will include presentations from the EU's DG for Health and Consumers, UEFA, Football Against Racism in Europe and representatives from the London 2012 Olympics. Speakers from major sporting stadia across Europe will also attend to highlight examples of best practice in the following areas: * Health promotion through stadia * Community engagement and regeneration * Corporate and social responsibility * Men's health * Sustainability and recycling * Healthy food & drink options * Racism & organized violence We are offering a reduced price 'early bird' rate of £200 plus VAT for the European Healthy Stadia Conference and Dinner. This special rate is only available until 6pm on 24th July. The Delegate Registration pack, which has full details of the speaker and workshop programme, and the gala dinner can be accessed here. The dinner will be held at Anfield (Liverpool FC) and attendance is included within the conference rate of £200 plus VAT. To take advantage of this reduced rate please register online before July 24th: <http://healthystadia.eventbrite.com/?discount=earlybird> If anybody has any questions or would like further information on the European Healthy Stadia Programme or Conference, please contact Matthew Philpott European Healthy Stadia Programme Heart of Mersey Tel: 0044 151 928 7820 Email: matthew.philpott@heartofmersey.org.uk

22 September

Embedding Personalisation in Social Care

Glasgow

This event will look at how to plan and deliver efficient services suited to the needs of individuals. The Changing Lives agenda, as set out by the Scottish Government, highlights the vital importance of building capacity to enable service users and carers to take control of their own services. This seminar will look at how to equip your workforce with the skills to embed personalisation in day-to-day service provision. Stakeholders are under pressure to drive forward the transformation of service delivery and improve outcomes for all. This is an ideal opportunity for strategists, practitioners and service users to come together to learn and share best practice in an interactive environment. This timely event will look in detail at the following key issues: • Understanding a shared definition of personalisation • Preparing the workforce to deliver personalised services • Encouraging Citizen Leadership • Evaluating personalised services by focussing on outcomes • Partnership working between agencies, service users and carers • Developing personalised support plans for individual needs • Self-directed support This seminar is your opportunity to network with expert speakers and peers to develop ideas and strategies for implementing personalisation in your area.

Click the link below to download a copy of the brochure or for further information Tel: 0870 400 1020

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/NR/rdonlyres/000624DE-B70A-4113-BE54-ED616DB80DCE/0/SocialCareScotlandMKRG.pdf>

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23 September

Dual Diagnosis – Moving Forward Changing Focus

Dunchurch Park Hotel, Rugby

This conference aims to bring together commissioners, service providers, service users and offender management service and will focus on the development of services and examples of good practice. The day will include National Speakers on: • Commissioning for Dual Diagnosis Services - Liz Hughes • National programme Service developments – Ann Gorry NDMU • Assertive Outreach role of the practitioner • Staff attitudes to cannabis users • Implications for successful service development in Dual Diagnosis • Dual Diagnosis in prison services new strategy This conference is suitable for health care professionals, consultant psychiatrists, nurses, drug workers, alcohol workers, voluntary and statutory sector, DAAT, commissioners, CIJP, probation, university staff, prison staff and anyone with an interest in dual diagnosis. Please forward your attendance confirmation and any enquiries to: conferences@bueventsltd.co.uk Telephone: 07527 201051/07964 698163

24 September

Mental Health Conference - “Health is a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being, and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity” WHO Constitution

The Kings Fund 11-13 Cavendish Square, London W1G 0AN

This conference is aimed at Volunteer Managers working in mental health, service users and volunteers. The theme is 'Promoting Best Practice in mental health and well-being' with an emphasis on grass-roots volunteer management. If you would like more information on how to register and/or would like the opportunity to have an information stall about your organisations work on mental health at this event, please contact Nghia Nguyen-Le via email Nghia.Nguyen-Le@attend.org.uk or call on 0207 307 2872.

29 September

Stopping Abuse, together we can

Wales

This event will look at what is happening locally and nationally to prevent the abuse of people with learning disabilities. It will promote openness and partnership as keys to help stopping abuse. You will also get the chance to look at how you and your organisation can work to make your life and people's lives safe from abuse. Click below to download the brochure which includes a booking form.
<http://www.learningdisabilitywales.org.uk/pdfs/stoppingabuseeng.pdf>

13 October

Approved Clinicians Course for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Professionals

London

This course is specifically designed to meet the requirements for the two-day initial Approved Clinician training course, as stated by the National Advisory Group for Approved Clinician Training Guidance. The course programme is approved and validated by the London Region Approved Clinician Panel, and has national currency. Becoming an Approved Clinician The Mental Health Act has widened the range of professionals able to undertake the functions previously performed by the responsible medical officer (RMO). The directions, made under the National Health Service Act 2006, provide that these professionals: • fulfil one of the professional requirements; • meet the relevant competences; and • have undertaken the appropriate training. Approved Clinicians can be drawn from the following registered professions: • registered medical practitioners; • chartered psychologists; • first level nurses, their field of practice being mental health or learning disabilities; • occupational therapists • social workers. For more information and enquiries please contact our Programme Administrators Tel: 020 7977 6657/52 or visit <http://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/cetc>

Events

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29 October

Mixed Race, Mixed Racism and Mental Health

A one day conference to explore mental health issues affecting mixed race families and young people. The keynote speakers will be Professor Suman Fernando, London Metropolitan University, formerly a consultant psychiatrist in the NHS and now a highly respected international academic and advisor on mental health and race; and Melba Wilson, Director of Equalities at the National Mental Health Development Unit. The agenda will explore: * the concept of identity and its inter-relationship with racism for mixed race people * how mixed race fits into the Department of Health's Delivering Race Equality agenda * a new study providing evidence of risk (of mental health problems) and resilience among young people of mixed race * an understanding of the particular stresses on mixed race relationships and the impact of this on family life * prevention approaches through strengthening the child and family * early interventions through counselling in school and family therapy * how mixed race service users fare in acute mental health services Other speakers include: Dinah Morley (former Director of Young Minds), Bradley Lincoln (Multiple Inheritance Project Manchester), Sharon Evans, Relationship Counsellor, Mel Gabbi (Slough Children's Trust), Yvonne Ayo (Tavistock Centre) and Dr David Ndegwa, Forensic Psychiatrist and Clinical Director, South London & Maudsley NHS Trust For further details about the agenda, and to book now, please go to: <http://www.ccclimited.org.uk>

5 November

Welfare to Work 09 - Removing Barriers to Employment

QEII Conference Centre, London

This conference will provide delegates with the opportunity to hear from key speakers and over 25 suppliers on the vital importance of investment into the UK's workforce. For further information, please go to:

<http://govnet.msgfocus.com/q/14yRgP8u74dhh7/wv> or Email: laura.evans@govnet.co.uk Tel: 0161 211 3031

7 November

Alcohol & Drug Misuse as a Coping Strategy for Victims/Survivors of Sexual Violence and/or Sexual Abuse

Southampton University

This even is suitable for all those who provide support or work with children/teenagers/adults who have been or are at risk of sexual violence and/or sexual abuse. For the latest information contact the conference organiser: G Finch, CIS'ters Training & Development Consultant Ring: 023 80 338080 or email admin@cisters.org.uk

26 November

Children's Health 09 - Ensuring health from 0-19

QE11 Conference Centre, London

The health and well-being of children remains on the forefront of the political agenda. Following the government's Healthy Lives: Brighter Futures strategy and subsequent commitments, this arena will see significant change throughout 2009. Children's Health 09: Ensuring Health from 0-19 years will focus on current and future policy, ensuring that all those present are well versed on what matters in this most crucial of agendas. Full details of this event can be found at: <http://www.govnet.co.uk/children/index.php> or alternatively, you can contact Vicky Bowness on 0161 211 3024 or email vicky.bowness@govnet.co.uk

Events

National Events

27 January 2010

How to Listen So Children Will Talk

Eastpoint Centre, Burgoyne Rd, Southampton SO19 6PB

This Training Seminar will explore issues relating to how children try to communicate with those around them that things are not OK. How to listen so children will talk ! 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.

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