

## News Items

### *MRC Grants and Training Awards*

Applications are invited from suitably qualified clinical candidates for earmarked training fellowships in the following fields: epidemiology; neurosurgery; psychiatric genetics; and tropical medicine. The aim of the awards is to enable young clinicians to spend a period of research training in these fields in which the Council's Research Boards consider more skilled investigators are needed. Details of periods of fellowships and planning of submissions are available from Mrs Ann Horn, Medical Research Council, 20 Park Crescent, London W1N 4AL. The closing date for applications is 1 June 1982.

### *Appointment Overseas*

The Department of Psychological Medicine, University of Malaya runs a two-year Master of Psychological Medicine course to train specialists; there are at present six post-graduate students in each year. Any senior psychiatrist interested in a paid appointment as Visiting Professor or Associate Professor for a period of six months (or longer) in the Department is invited to send a curriculum vitae for consideration to Dr Woon Tai Hwang, Department of Psychological Medicine, University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, 22-11, Malaysia.

## Forthcoming Events

The **20th International Congress of Applied Psychology** will be held in Edinburgh from 25 to 31 July 1982. Information: W. Campbell, Secretary ICAP, Centre of Industrial Consultancy and Liaison, University of Edinburgh, 16 George Square, Edinburgh EH8 9LD.

A Summer School in Art Therapy and Dramatherapy will be run at the Hertfordshire College of Art & Design from 19 to 23 July 1982. Information: John P. Evans, Division of Art and Psychology, Hertfordshire College of Art & Design, 7 Hatfield Road, St Albans.

The **British Postgraduate Medical Federation** has a number of courses and workshops during June and July. 7 and 8 June: Transactional Analysis: Theory—Dr David Zigmond; 16 and 17 June 1982: Counselling Approach to Cancer—Dr Ian Pearce; 17 and 18 June 1982: Basic Management Skills for Hospital Doctors—Drs Helena Waters, Peter Hill and Shirley Otto; 23 June 1982: The Ten-Minute Consultation—Dr John Cobb; 5 and 6 July 1982: Gestalt and Transactional Analysis: Practice—Dr David Zigmond and Dolores Bate; 19 and 20 July 1982: Introduction to Person-Centred Counselling—Brian Thorne. Information: Elva

Macklin, British Postgraduate Medical Federation, 33 Millman Street, London WC1N 3EJ.

Courses in 'Effective Leadership' are being organized by the **Industrial Society** and will be held at the NHS Training Centre, The White Hart, Harrogate from 19 to 23 May 1982 and from 28 July to 1 August 1982. Information: Heather Jackson, The Industrial Society, 3 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5DG.

The **23rd Conference of 'Current Themes in Psychiatry'** is to take place in Malta from 23 October to 29 October 1982. The conference is open to consultants and senior psychiatrists. Information: Marie Carlisle, Keats House, Guy's Hospital, London SE1 9RT.

'**Stress in the Professions**' is the theme of a seminar to be held at The Priory Hospital on 10 June 1982 with Professor Sir Desmond Pond in the chair. Topics include: 'Stress and the Heart'; 'Starting a New Television Channel—an Exercise in Stress?'; 'Circadian Rhythm Dysfunction and Sleep Disturbance'; 'How to Cope with Stress' and 'Relaxation Techniques'. Information: Dr Desmond Kelly, The Priory Hospital, Priory Lane, London SW15 5JJ.