MEETINGS AND COURSES

Annual courses

Title: Courses in Sexual and Reproductive Health. *Venue:* Warwick, UK. *Details:* See display advertisement on page 63.

Throughout 2003

Title: Current Issues in Sexual and Reproductive Health. Venue: London, UK. Details: Advanced courses through 2003 covering recent developments and current thinking in contraception and sexual reproductive health care organised by The Margaret Pyke Memorial Trust. Accreditation: PGEA and FFP. Information: Rosemary Massouras, Margaret Pyke Centre, 73 Charlotte Street, London W1T 4PL, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 20 7436 8390. Fax: +44 (0) 20 7580 2495. E-mail: mpmttraining@hotmail.com

Throughout 2003

Title: Various Courses including Sexually Transmitted Infection Foundation (STIF) Course and the Diploma of the Faculty of Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care (DFFP) Course. Venue: Glasgow, UK. Details: Suitable for updating requirements of DFFP and STIF. Accreditation: PGEA. Information: Eileen Elder, Training Co-ordinator, The Sandyford Initiative, 2–6 Sandyford Road, Glasgow G3 7NB, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 141 211 8653. Fax: +44 (0) 141 211 8139. E-mail: eelder@glacomen.scot.nhs.uk

12-13 May 2003

Title: Basic and Updating Family Planning Theory Course. Venue: The North Staffordshire Medical Institute, Stoke-on-Trent, UK. Details: An intensive 2-day course comprising lectures, group work/discussion and practical demonstrations. Accreditation: DFFP and PGEA. Information: Mrs R Parkin, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, School of Medicine, Thornburrow Drive, Hartshill, Stoke-on-Trent ST4 7QB, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 1782 555434. Fax: +44 (0) 1782 747319. E-mail: pmaOb@keele.ac.uk

16-18 May 2003

Title: Weekend Family Planning Theory Course for Doctors. Venue: Northwick Park Hospital, Harrow, UK. Details: Modular course incorporating the new DFFP syllabus. Suitable for updating and continuing professional development. Accreditation: FFP and PGEA approval applied for. Information: Diane Price, Family Planning Training Office, Frances Ward Maternity Block, The North West Hospitals NHS Trust, Watford Road, Harrow HA1 3UJ, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 20 8869 3127. Fax: +44 (0) 20 8869 2903. E-mail: bela.reed@nwlh.nhs.uk

22-23 May 2003

Title: Faculty of Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care AGM. Venue: Manchester, UK. Information: See display advertisement on inside back cover.

23 May 2003

Title: Family Planning Update Day. Venue: Taunton Rugby Club, Taunton, UK. Details: Full day update programme for doctors and nurses with speakers on a variety of topics related to family planning. Accreditation: 6 hours PGEA and FFP accreditation applied for. Information: Lorna Bowey, Contraceptive and Sexual Health Service, Somerset House, Lower Middle Street, Taunton, Somerset TA1 1SF, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 1823 331121. Fax: +44 (0) 1823 326867. E-mail: lorna.bowey@tst.nhs.uk

7 June 2003

Title: City Hospitals Sunderland Update in Sexual and Reproductive Health. Venue: PGMC, Sunderland Royal Hospital, Sunderland, UK. Details: The course aims to provide delegates with an update on current reproductive health care issues including management of menstrual disorders and hirsutism, the HRT controversy, contraceptive innovations, chlamydia screening, vaginal discharge and young men's sexual health needs. The target audience is GPs, GpRs, SpRs and SHOs in obstetrics and gynaecology and GUM, and RGNs with an interest in reproductive health, and the cost is £65.00 (full day) or £35.00 (half day). Accreditation: PGEA accreditation applied for. *Information:* Vikki Culkin, Course Co-ordinator, Postgraduate Medical Centre, Sunderland Royal Hospital, Kayll Road, Sunderland SR4 7TP, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 191 5699776. E-mail: vikki.culkin@chs. northy.nhs.uk

30 June-3 July 2003

Title: A 4-day theoretical course leading to the Diploma of the Faculty of Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care (DFFP), the primary qualification in sexual and reproductive health. Venue: London, UK. Details: The course includes reproductive health modules and the STi Foundation Courses (STIF). Priority will be given to those attending the full 4 days. Courses organised by the Sexual & Reproductive Health Training Partnership. Accreditation: FFP and PGEA approved. Information: Palmela Witter, Training Administrator, The Sexual & Reproductive Health Training Partnership (formerly the South East London Family Planning Training Unit), Southwark PCT, St Giles Hospital, St Giles Road, London SE5 7RN, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 20 7771 3322. Fax: +44 (0) 20 7771 3338. E-mail: srhtp@southwarkpct. nhs.uk

1 and 10 July 2003

Title: STIF Course. Venue: Chancellor's Conference Centre, Fallowfield, Manchester, UK. Details: The aim of the course is to equip participants with the basic knowledge, skills and attitudes of the effective management of STIs outside the GUM setting. Accreditation: FFP, PGEA, RCP and MSSVD. Information: Irene Healey, The Palatine Centre, 63–65 Palatine Road, Withington, Manchester M20 3LJ, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 161 434 8629. Fax: +44 (0) 161 448 1889. E-mail: i.healey@man.ac.uk.

3-4 July 2003

Title: Annual Conference of the British Menopause Society. Venue: Manchester International Convention Centre, Manchester, UK. Details: The course will cover subjects including: HRT update on heart, stroke, thromboembolism and thrombophilia; ethnicity and the menopause; genetics of osteoporosis; lifestyle changes; and the metabolic issue of HRT. For further details see display advertisement on page 62.

22-23 July 2003

Title: DFFP Basic Theory Course. Venue: Trafford Postgraduate Centre, Trafford, Manchester, UK. Details: Suitable for family planning doctors updating. Accreditation: CME/RCOG. PGEA and FFP applied for. Information: Ann Conti, Regional Training Department, The Palatine Centre, 63–65 Palatine Road, Withington, Manchester M20 3LJ, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 161 434 8629. Fax: +44 (0) 161 448 1889. E-mail: a.conti@man.ac.uk.

October 2003

Title: A 4-day theoretical course leading to the Diploma of the Faculty of Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care (DFFP), the primary

qualification in sexual and reproductive health. Venue: London, UK. Details: The course includes reproductive health modules and the STi Foundation Courses (STIF). Priority will be given to those attending the full 4 days. Courses organised by the Sexual & Reproductive Health Training Partnership. Accreditation: FFP and PGEA approved. Information: Palmela Witter, Training Administrator, The Sexual & Reproductive Health Training Partnership (formerly the South East London Family Planning Training Unit), Southwark PCT, St Giles Hospital, St Giles Road, London SE5 7RN, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 20 7771 3322. Fax: +44 (0) 20 7771 3338. E-mail: srhtp@southwarkpct. nhs.uk

7-8 October 2003

Title: Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh Consensus Conference on HRT. Venue: Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh, UK. Details: If ever a therapeutic area was in need of a consensus view it is hormone replacement therapy at the present time. During the 2-day conference a multidisciplinary panel will attempt to answer a number of key questions from the presented evidence and open discussions raised at the conference. For further details see display advertisement on page 62.

17 October 2003

Title: Sexual Health Study Day. Venue: Thistle Hotel, Cheltenham, Gloucester, UK. Details: Various lecturers yet to be decided. From 9.00am—4.30pm, cost £150.00 per delegate to include lunch and tea/coffee. Accreditation: PGEA and FFP. Information: Mrs M Goodchild, Hope House, Great Western Road, Gloucester GL1 3NN, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 8454 226962. Fax: +44 (0) 8454 226808. E-mail: Maggie. Goodchild@glospart.nhs.uk

November 2003

Title: Scottish Family Planning Medical Society. One-Day Educational Meetings on Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care Topics. Details: Meetings are open to members and nonmembers and are relevant to GPs, family planning doctors and any other doctors with an interest in reproductive health. For further details see display advertisement on page 61.

7-11 February 2004

Title: East Meets West. Venue: Chiang Mai, Thailand. Details: A stimulating, educational conference on sexual and reproductive health care for all health professionals working in the field. Accreditation: FFP, RCOG and RCP. Information: Dr Richard Burack, 26 Tempest Mead, North Weald, Essex CM16 6DY, UK. Tel: +44 (0) 1992 525158. Fax: +44 (0) 1992 525159. E-mail: siamcare@aol.com

23-26 June 2004

Title: 8th Congress of the European Society of Contraception. Venue: Edinburgh International Convention Centre, Edinburgh, UK. Details: A holistic approach to sexual health. Information: European Society of Contraception, ESC Central Office, Orga-Med Congress Office, Essenestraat 77, B-1740 Ternat, Belgium. Tel: +32 2 582 0852. Fax: +32 2 582 5515. E-mail: orgamed.ria@pandora.be

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