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President's Message

Dear EHPS Colleagues,

The EHPS annual conference at Helsinki is fast approaching. I hope that you will be able to join us for an exciting conference and theme "Good Health: Person and Context". In this newsletter you will find important information regarding the conference. The EC is very grateful to Susan Michie and Pilvikki Absetz, co-chairs of the scientific committee, other SC members, as well as to all the track chairs and co-chairs, for preparing such a high quality scientific program. The attractive social program, which includes a reception hosted by the city officials, is sure to give a unique taste of the beautiful city of Helsinki.

As the end of my presidency approaches, I have been looking back at the goals set forth by this EC and the work accomplished. I am pleased to report a positive balance in the three main strategy areas presented last year in this newsletter: 1. to formalise procedures, which regulate the functioning of the Society and its relationship with different partners, 2. to improve the quality of services and products provided to members, 3. to develop a balanced strategy for growth in terms of membership, resources and products.

During these past 8 months, the process of legalisation of the Society was completed; important documents were revised or prepared, such as the Conference Procedures and the Synergy Statutes. The quality of services has continued to improve as the system set up by Britta Renner has consolidated, which is starting to bear fruit in terms of membership. The initiative to offer conference and workshop grants has encouraged student and young researcher participation in Helsinki. The Liaison with other societies is becoming more dynamic with the publication of an article on EHPS by the Div. 38 Newsletter of the American Psychological Association and the joint sponsoring of symposia with ISBM and IAAP. Finally, an expansion in products to members is reflected in the work of the publications sub-committee, which is working at the development of new EHPS sponsored publications, the continued quality publication of Psychology & Health, under the excellent editorship of Paul

Norman, the new journal supplement which features the abstracts of our annual conference, and the informative newsletter that Irina Todorova skilfully prepares on a quarterly basis.

Inside you will find a *Call for the Members' Meeting*. I hope that you will bring your lunch and will contribute to the important discussions, which will shape the future of the Society. Among the items on the agenda are the report on the elections of the new EC and the discussion and approval of amendments to the EHPS Bylaws, which you will receive by E-mail before the meeting. At Helsinki, you will also have a preview of our next conference, which will take place in Galway, August 30-September 2, 2005. The Theme of the conference is "Enhancing Individual, Family and Community Health" and the scientific committee is organising the call for abstracts and program planning. I hope you will join us in 2005 to experience the generous and lively Irish hospitality.

As I leave this presidency, I would like to publicly express my appreciation for the passionate commitment of this EC to EHPS and its goals. I would also like to thank all EHPS members who collaborated with the EC during this mandate. EHPS is at a very exciting moment in its development in terms of organisation, resources and vision for the future.

I look forward to seeing you in Helsinki. Please come by our membership desk and get to know us better.

Teresa McIntyre, EHPS President

Nominations for the Executive Committee 2004-2006

Dear EHPS Member

In accordance with the Articles and Bylaws of the European Health Psychology Society, the election process of the new Executive Committee (EC) for 2004-2006 started with the Call for Nominations for 6 members of the EC. The call was open from March 23^{rd} until April 26^{th} .

The EHPS Secretary received one nomination for each position of Presidentelect (Britta Renner), Secretary (Adriana Baban), and Treasurer/membership Officer (Christel Salewski), which means that these officers are deemed elected, in accordance with the EHPS Articles and Bylaws. Regarding the positions of Ordinary Members, the Secretary received nominations for 4 nominees for 3 positions, so an election is being held for these 3 positions. The nominees are: Irina Todorova (Bulgaria), Pilvikki Absetz (Finland), Efharis Panagopoulou (Greece), David French (UK).

Marie Johnston (Scotland) and Stan Maes (Holland) have agreed to be scrutineers for these elections. The results of the elections will be announced at the Members' Meeting during our annual conference in Helsinki on 23^{rd} June. We hope to see you there.

Teresa McIntyre EHPS President Adriana Baban EHPS Secretary



Call for the Members' Meeting 2004

In accordance with Article 12 of the Articles of the European Health Psychology Society, the Executive Committee notifies all EHPS members that the Members' Meeting will take place on <u>Wednesday</u>, June 23, at 12:30, during the annual EHPS conference, in Helsinki.

The proposed agenda for the meeting is listed below:

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Report on election results and introduction of the new Executive Committee
- 3. Minutes of the previous meeting
- 4. President's report on EHPS activities and future plans
- 5. Executive Committee reports:
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Membership Officer
 - National Delegates' Officer
 - Education and Training Officer
 - EHPS newsletter Editor
- 6. Psychology & Health Editor's report
- 7. Publications subcommittee report
- 8. Create and Synergy report
- 9. Discussion and approval of changes to bylaws
- 10. Discussion and approval of conference procedures
- 11. Future Conferences
- 12. Closing statements

In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the EHPS Articles, members are notified that a proposal to change bylaws, is part of the proposed Agenda for the Members' Meeting. This proposal will be circulated to members prior to the meeting in accordance with Article 15, n° 2.

The Executive Committee invites all members to attend this meeting. Member participation in the decision-making of the Society ensures its democratic functioning and is vital to its successful future.

Executive Committee The European Health Psychology Society



National Delegate Report: Hungary 2004

Hungarian Health Psychology Society

The **Hungarian Health Psychology Society** has approximately 40 members from various professional fields. The association supports diverse activities all connected to Health Psychology. The main focus of the association is to foster health promotion through theory, practice and research in the broad field of health psychology. The association closely collaborates with the Institute of Behavioral Sciences, Semmelweis University, Budapest, and the Hans Selye Hungarian Association of Behavioral Medicine.

Professional activities:

1. Journal of Mental Health and Psychosomatics, a quarterly, peer-reviewed scientific journal. The journal is addressed to all helping professionals in the field of health psychology as well as in the broader field of behavioral sciences.

2. The society provides an Internet service in collaboration with the Institute of Behavioral Sciences. The home page offers information on scientific questions, research programs as well as therapeutic consultations.

3. Health promotion programs: Homestart program, postpartum depression screening for women, school health promotion programs, special health promotion programs for the gipsy population and for women 4. Center for the Quality of Life

Teaching activities:

Under- and postgraduate education in the field of health psychology (for medical and psychology students, residents, postgraduate courses for family physicians and psychiatrist, PhD training)

A new textbook "Medical Psychology" is in press, and has chapters on various fields of health psychology

Ongoing research programs:

1. HUNGAROSTUDY 2002, a national representative survey of the mental health status of the Hungarian population in the framework of the National Research and Developmental Program of the Hungarian Ministry of Education. 2. YOUTH STUDY in the SOUTHERN PLAIN 2004, a representative survey of youth living in the Southern Plain, Hungary, supported by the National Research Fund (OTKA) and the Ministry of Health Care (ETT), Hungary.

Conferences:

1. Hungarian Psychological Association, Section of Health Psychology, May 27-29, Debrecen, Hungary.

2. Eighth International Congress of Behavioral Medicine Satellite Meeting Budapest, August 29-31, 2004: "The role of behavioral medicine in understanding and preventing the mortality and morbidity challenges occurring in Central and Eastern European countries" (<u>www.selyesociety.org</u>)

Invited speakers:

- Brian Oldenburg (School of Public Health, Queensland University, Brisbane, Australia): Global health and disease burden
- Rózsa Ádány (School of Public Health, Debrecen, Hungary): Epidemiological crisis in Central-Eastern-Europe
- Ichiro Kawachi (Harvard School of Public Health, US): Social capital, inequalities and health
- Johannes Siegrist (Department of Medical Sociology, University of Düsseldorf, Germany): *Psychosocial work stress, labor market conditions and health*
- Simo Kokko (WHO Regional Office for Europe, Copenhagen, Denmark): *Health* and mental health in the Central-Eastern-European region
- Irina Todorova (Health Psychology Research Center, Bulgaria): Gender and psychosocial aspects of health in Eastern Europe
- Maria Kopp (Institute of Behavioural Sciences, Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary): *Bio-psycho-social determinants of premature morbidity and mortality of the Hungarian population*
- Martin Bobak (University College London, UK): Socioeconomic inequalities and health
- Redford Williams (Duke University, US): Socioeconomic and psychosocial determinants of CVD in countries of Central and Eastern Europe
- Sviatoslav L. Plavinski (RUS): Equality in death. Russian mortality crisis and social class
- Sarolta Gundy (National Institute of Oncology, Budapest, HUN): *The risk of cancer*. *Environmental and hereditary factors*
- Adriana Baban (Babes-Bolyai University, Department of Psychology, Romania): Pychosocial determinants of inequalities in health: a case-study of Romania
- Bettina Piko (University of Szeged, HUN): Positive psychology approach to Eastern Europe's public health
- Antti Uutela (National Public Health Institute, Finland): *Heath inequalities what we can do about them?*
- Edwin Fisher (Washington University, US): How we help each other: Social support and peer interventions for health promotion
- Neil Schneiderman (University of Miami, US): Tailoring small group behavioral and psychosocial interventions for prevention and management of cardiovascular disease: demographic challenges
- Zoltán Nagy (National Institute of Psychiatry and Neurology, Budapest, HUN): Socioeconomic inequalities as the stroke risk factors in Central Europe.

Recent international publications (2004) in the field of health psychology:

- Kopp M.S., Csoboth, Cs., Réthelyi, J. (2004): Psychosocial determinants of premature health deterioration in a changing society: The case of Hungary. Journal of Health Psychology, 9(1): 99-109.
- Piko B (2004): Interplay between self and community: A role for health psychology in Eastern Europe's public health. Journal of Health Psychology, 9(1): 111-120.

Bettina F. Pikó EHPS National Delegate for Hungary University of Szeged Department of Psychiatry, Behavioral Sciences Group Maria S. Kopp President, HHPS Semmelweis University Institute of Behavioral Sciences



Conferences in Member Countries 2004

Psychology, Health and Medicine; 16 April 2004; Galway, Ireland *The First Annual Conference of the PSI Division of Health Psychology*

Establishment of the Division of Health Psychology in Ireland

The last year has been a very exciting time for Health Psychologists in Ireland. A Health Psychology Special Interest Group has been active in the Psychological Society of Ireland (PSI) for a number of years. In recognition of the growth of this group in recent years, it was granted Divisional status by the Psychological Society of Ireland (PSI) at its Annual General Meeting in November 2003. Among other things, this group aims to promote Health Psychology in Ireland as a distinct discipline/area/specialist field of psychology in its own right, to enhance the recognition of the psychological aspects of health and illness and to promote the delivery of a multi-disciplinary approach to the health services. These were central aims of the Division's Inaugural Annual Scientific Conference, 'Psychology, Health and Medicine', which took place on April 16th, 2004 in the National University of Ireland, Galway (NUI, Galway).

Opening the Conference

Ninety-four delegates attended the one-day conference, including psychologists from a variety of backgrounds as well as delegates from a range of other disciplines, including Nursing, General Practice, Speech and Language Therapy, Psycho-Oncology Services, Health Promotion, Drug Rehabilitation and Learning Disability Services. The day was officially opened by Dr Joe McDonagh, President of the PSI, who acknowledged the significant progress which has been made in recent years in Health Psychology in Ireland. There were three keynote presentations on the day, three symposia, twenty-three oral presentations and nine posters.

Keynote Presentations

Prof Hannah McGee (Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland) gave the first keynote presentation, tracing the history of Health Psychology and providing delegates with a very comprehensive summary of current research activities of health psychologists in Ireland. After lunch, Prof Jack James (NUI, Galway) provided a very stimulating presentation on his research in caffeine. Prof James and his colleagues have produced evidence to suggest that contrary to claims made by manufacturers of caffeine products, caffeine actually impairs human performance and mood, and increases blood pressure, a well established cardiovascular risk factor. The final keynote speaker was Dr Jane Ogden (Kings College London) who offered a very thought-provoking presentation on solving the problem of obesity. Dr Ogden described how a medical intervention (surgery) has provided a welcome solution for a significant number of people with obesity. She concluded that it is important to remain open-minded to nonpsychological solutions to what are commonly perceived as psychological problems.

Symposia and Oral Presentations

The three symposia included a stimulating exposé on alternative medicine, convened by Dr Brian Hughes and Dr Paul O Donoghue; an exploration of risk perception, convened by Dr David Heavy; and an examination of the use of

theory in developing behavioural interventions, convened by Dr Susan Michie and Prof Charles Abraham. Oral presentations were organised into themed sessions, including work-related stress, health services, primary care, psychosocial factors in illness, pain and stress.

Conclusion

The day concluded with a wine reception and traditional Irish music in the foyer of the conference venue. Many delegates enjoyed dinner together in a local restaurant. There has been much positive feedback from those who attended the conference and I believe it provided an excellent opportunity to establish links between a diverse group of people interested in psychology and health in Ireland and beyond. I would like to thank both the Conference Organising Committee for its hard work and everyone who came along to the conference, especially those who presented their work or travelled significant distances.

Looking forward to seeing you all (with friends) at our next conference! Molly Byrne

Fifth Conference on Psychology and Health The Netherlands

On May 10-12, 2004, the Fifth Conference on Psychology & Health, organized by the Dutch Research Institute for Psychology & Health, took place at the Rolduc Conference Center in Kerkrade, the Netherlands. In total, almost 200 participants from four different continents attended the fifth edition of this biannual conference. The vast majority of them stayed at the beautiful Augustinian monastery itself.

The scientific program included 30 symposia / thematic sessions on topics such as: self-regulation and health; determinants of health behaviour; psychophysiology; emotional disclosure and well being; well being at work; chronic illness; and issues in health care. On Monday night, there was an interactive poster session.

Keynote speakers included:

- Peter Gollwitzer (New York) on The pursuit of health goals
- William Lovallo (Oklahoma) on *Emotions: relationships to health and disease*
- Sabine Sonnentag (Braunschweig) on Recovery : an important concept for work stress research
- James Pennebaker (Texas) on *How words can reflect and influence health*
- Roy Baumeister (Talahassee) on *Self-control, execution function and* ego depletion

In between the sessions and at night time, there was ample opportunity to catch up with colleagues and friends from in- and outside the Research Institute, to start challenging scientific discussions, to enjoy non-stop dancing at the disco party on Tuesday night, or to wind down informally in the ancient cellar bars.

The organizers can look back on, yet another, successful conference. We hope to meet you all again within two years at Rolduc!







International Conference on Cervical Cancer Prevention

Held in Durres, Albania, March 11-13, 2004

Presented and Sponsored by The Open Society Institute, Network Public Health Program, *in collaboration with* PATH (Program for Appropriate Technology in Health), USA,

The Open Society Foundation for Albania & The Open Society Fund-Lithuania

The goal of this conference was to share experiences of implementing cervical cancer prevention activities amongst *Alliance for Cervical Cancer Prevention* (*ACCP*) small grant recipients in Eastern and Central Europe and the NIS region, and to provide a technical update about state-of-the-art cervical cancer prevention practices.

There were delegations from Albania, Armenia, Bulgaria, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Romania, two delegations from Russia (one from the island of Sakhalin), Serbia and Montenegro, Ukraine participating in the conference. Each delegation consisted of a representative of the State Healthcare System on a national or regional level and a representative from the ACCP grant recipient organization. Other participants were: Katharine Shapiro (WHO), Amie Bishop, Patricia Coffey, Svitlana Okromeshko and John Sellors (PATH), Janet Bradley and Martha Jacob (EngenderHealth), Karin Denton (quality control in cytological labs, UK) and Marc Arbyn (epidemiologist, Belgium, EU expert on cervical cancer screening).

The representatives of the grant recipient organizations introduced their reports on the activities they had organized as part of their projects. These activities included: research on women's knowledge of cervical cancer and their screening behavior, information & education campaigns, attempts for providing free PAPsmears on a local level in countries where a centralized screening program within the healthcare system didn't exist or the cost of this service is too high for the majority of women, specific education for health providers regarding screening, recommendations for institutions for composing normative documents and for establishing/improving the organization of the national screening program.

Practices of proved efficiency in the organization of cervical cancer screening within the healthcare system and in health promotion were also presented. Statistical data and information regarding cervical cancer and cervical cancer prevention for many countries and regions in the world, as well as actual medical information concerning different methods for prevention and treatment of cervical cancer were discussed.

The Bulgarian delegation included Emiliya Tasheva, MD, obstetrics & gynecology, responsible for Reproductive Health Programs in the Bulgarian Ministry of Health, and Anna Alexandrova, psychologist, from the Health Psychology Research Center in Sofia, Bulgaria. The Health Psychology Research Center was presented at the conference due to its participation in the international research project "Psychosocial and Health Systems Dimensions of

Cervical Cancer in Bulgaria and Romania", that is being conducted in collaboration with the Research Center of Health Psychology within the Department of Psychology at Babes-Bolyai University in Cluj-Napoca, Romania. The project is funded by EngenderHealth. The Bulgarian team had the opportunity to present the project, that aims to conduct studies to identify the interconnectedness between screening behavior, socioeconomic status, screening pathways and women's and providers' attitudes toward screening in Bulgaria and Romania, also examining the institutional arrangements and capacities required for effective cervical cancer screening. The implication of the studies would be in the development of education programs that would increase the awareness of the importance of cervical cancer screening. A representative survey, in-depth interviews and focus groups are employed to elicit the needed information: pathways of cervical cancer screening and patterns of screening behaviors, psychosocial and institutional barriers to screening and women's attitudes toward different methods of cervical cancer screening. The Bulgarian team emphasized the importance of psychosocial and cultural factors for cervical cancer screening effectiveness. Our thesis is that these factors should be taken into account and recommended efficient practices should be adapted to best fit local needs.

The participants from Bulgaria together with participants from Albania, Macedonia, Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro took part in a one-day consultative forum to discuss ACCP's cervical cancer prevention guide for program planners and managers. The main goal of the March 14th discussion was to do a 'reality check' of this close-to-final draft of the guide, to ensure that the format of the guide was user friendly and that the contents were relevant to a wide range of settings and would be applicable to participants' region.

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Visiting International Fellowship

Institute of Social Research, University of Surrey

VISITING INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP in social research methods

The Institute of Social Research at the University of Surrey, Guildford, United Kingdom, has established a Visiting International Fellowship to foster the development of sociological research methods. Applicants for the Fellowship will be established scholars in social science with a track record in a field of social research methodology. They will normally hold, or recently have held, an established academic appointment in social science. The awards are open to those who would value the opportunity to advance methodological understanding, for example by reflecting on methods used in previous empirical research, by validating existing or new methodological procedures, or by reviewing and synthesizing methodological approaches.

An honorarium of 2,000 pounds sterling (about 3,000 euros or 3,500 US\$) will be paid (it is expected that award-holders will normally be on paid leave of absence from their employment). Award holders will be expected to pay their own travel costs to Guildford and their accommodation and subsistence for the duration of their award, which should be for one or more visits with a duration of at least one month in total. Visiting International Fellows will become honorary Research Fellows of the University and be entitled to use the University Library and make use of University facilities. The holder is usually permanently resident outside the United Kingdom.

The Institute of Social Research is well-known for the work of the CAQDAS Networking Project on qualitative software, the work of the Centre for Research on Simulation in the Social Sciences (CRESS) in social simulation, and the work of the Social Survey Question Bank associated with CASS, the ESRC Centre for Applied Social Surveys. ISR is also well-known for its work on the secondary analysis of large data sets and online research methods.

Applications should be sent to Sue Venn, Administrator, Institute of Social Research, Department of Sociology, University of Surrey Guildford, GU2 7XH, UK Tel +44(0)1483 683966 Fax +44(0)1483 689551 Email isr@surrey.ac.uk

Applications must be received by 30th September 2004 for visits during the calendar year 2005. Applications must be made on the application form posted on the website noted below. Applications may be submitted in paper form by post or fax, or via e-mail. E-mail submission is preferred. Proposals for collaborative research with members of the Institute are especially welcome.

http://www.soc.surrey.ac.uk/isr_vif.htm



Training Institute

NETWORK OF EAST-WEST WOMEN AND THE BULGARIAN GENDER RESEARCH FOUNDATION

WOMEN'S HUMAN RIGHTS TRAINING INSTITUTE

The Network of East-West Women (NEWW) and the Bulgarian Gender Research Foundation (BGRF) are pleased to announce a call for applications for the Women's Human Rights Training Institute.

To goal of the Institute is to strengthen the ability of lawyers from Central and Eastern Europe and the Newly Independent States (CEE/NIS) to litigate women's human rights cases at the national, regional and international levels through the development of feminist legal analysis and litigation skills, cross-border cooperation, and networking.

The project is a two-year, four-part series of workshops bringing together the same group of fifteen participants over the course of the training. Through both technical workshop sessions on the European Court of Human Rights, European Court of Justice, and United Nations enforcement mechanisms, as well as substantive training sessions on violence against women, sexual and reproductive health and rights, and employment discrimination, the Institute will build the needed analysis, skills and networks among feminist lawyers in CEE/NIS required to successfully seek justice for women in various legal arenas.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: June 15, 2004

SELECTION NOTIFICATION: July 15, 2004

DURATION: Each session will last approximately 4-5 days every six months.

LOCATION: Institute sessions will be held primarily in Bulgaria, and if possible in other European countries. The first session on International and Regional Human Rights Law and Enforcement Mechanisms will be held in Sofia in early October 2004.

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Conference Announcements

Narrative Research in Health and Illness

September 9th to 10th 2004 at The Brunei Gallery, London

Following the success of our previous narrative conferences, the BMA and the BMJ Publishing Group are pleased to invite you to register for this two day conference aimed at challenging original and exploratory research on narrative in health related fields.

Many high profile speakers have confirmed their interest, including Professor Rita Charon, Professor John Shotter, Professor Ruth Behar, Dr Helen Lambert, Dr Richard Ashcroft, Professor Gareth Williams and Dr Corinne Squire.

For full programme information please visit <u>www.bma.org.uk/narrative</u>. As well as a packed programme, the registration cost also includes a drinks reception and Cancer Tales performance.

As our previous narrative conferences reached capacity, we urge you to register early for this event. Places are allocated on a strictly first come basis. To guarantee your place register now using our simple and secure online booking form at <u>www.bma.org.uk/narrative</u> or contact the BMA/BMJ Conference Unit using the details below.

If you would like to submit your original research or workshop then please visit <u>www.bma.org.uk/narrativecall</u> to view our call for papers.

4th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY

Havana International Conference Center, Cuba

The Cuban Society of Health Psychology and the National Group of Psychology of Cuba, both belonging to the Ministry of Public Health of the Republic of Cuba, are pleased to announce the holding of the 4th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY, HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY' 2004, at the Havana International Conference Center, Cuba, on November 15th - 19th, 2004.

This Conference is traditionally held every four years, aimed at continuing sharing experiences among Cuban and foreign specialists who with an inter and multidisciplinary conception develop their activities in the Health Sector. We aim at achieving the dissemination and discussion of the progresses achieved in the search of new procedures for the solution of health problems.

Prof. Guillermo J. Ruiz Organization Committee and Travel Agency CRIAND <u>criand@criandcuba.net</u>

The deadline for receipt of abstracts is Monday 21 June 2004.

Deadline for the submission of abstracts: July 30th, 2004

Reproductive Health Issues in Central and Eastern Europe, and Countries of the Former Soviet Union

18-20 October 2004, Bucharest, Romania

Organized by the IUSSP Committee on Reproductive Health, in collaboration with the East European Institute of Reproductive Health (EEIRH)

This seminar will examine the impact of the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1989 and the subsequent transition to a market economy in the formerly socialist countries of Central and Eastern Europe on reproductive health in the region. The Reproductive Health Committee invites submissions of single-country and comparative studies that examine the effects of institutional change-most obviously the upheavals following 1989-on service provision and recourse to services as well as change in individual behaviour. Topics: HIV/AIDS and STIs; Contraception and induced abortion; Maternal health; Special populations; Service provision; Interventions; Research; Policy Issues.

Complete papers or one to three-page abstracts in English and a brief (less than one page) curriculum vitae should be submitted to Leo Morris (lmorris@cdc.gov) and Gigi Santow (GSantow@bigpond.net.au) no later than July 23, 2004. Final decisions regarding acceptance will be made by August 10, 2004. Completed papers for accepted abstracts should be sent no later than September 13, 2004.

World Health Organization: Forum 8 + World Summit on Health Research

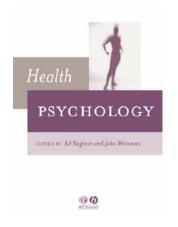
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Main Topics:

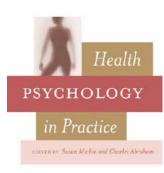
- The 10/90 gap in health research and the Millennium Development Goals (MDG)
- Contributions towards reaching the MDGs from the public sector, the private sector and civil society
- Cross-cutting issues and the MDGs, such as poverty, equity, gender, disability, research capacity strengthening, youth and ageing
- Research to deliver better health to families and communities, including health research for improved child and maternal health and for a sustainable environment
- Health research on diseases and determinants, including communicable, noncommunicable and chronic diseases, injuries and violence
- Measuring progress towards the MDGs, including financial flows, priority setting and indicators of progress
- Partnerships in health research for development, including networks and public-private partnerships

Website: <u>http://www.globalforumhealth.org/pages/index.asp</u>

Deadline for the submission of abstracts: July 23 th, 2004



A wine and cheese reception will be held during the EHPS Helsinki Conference on Tuesday 22 June 2004, 6-7 PM, after the poster session. It will be hosted by Blackwell Publishers, Oxford, UK.



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New Books

HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY

BPS Blackwell

Edited by Ad Kaptein and John Weinman

Leiden University Medical Centre; King's College, London

Written by some of the world's leading health psychologists, this textbook is a critical, thought-provoking introduction to a rapidly expanding discipline. The editors provide an in-depth introduction to the field of health psychology and to the volume as a whole, which outlines the major areas of theory and research within the fields of health, illness, and healthcare.

JULY 2004 / 0-6312-1441-0 HB / 0-6312-1442-9 PB / 416 PAGES

HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY IN PRACTICE

BPS Blackwell

Edited by Susan Michie and Charles Abraham

University College London; University of Sussex

An essential text for professional training in this field as it provides a comprehensive overview of the UK professional Stage 2 Qualification in Health Psychology. The editors, who helped to establish the British Psychological Society's health psychology professional training programme, have collated insightful material on training models, research, consultancy and interventions, training and teaching, and professional roles and practice.

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