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The Fellowship Committee will be meeting on 27 May 1998 and members are asked to give thought to appropriate nominations. Fellowship by nomination forms need to be received by the end of April and the President will be writing to all faculties shortly.

RCGP COLLEGE AWARDS

The Awards Committee will be meeting on 3 June 1998 and nominations are also sought for this year’s College Awards. A full list of awards is now available in the new booklet College Awards on request. This gives details of all College Awards: both by nomination and competition.

THE JOHN FRY AWARD

Nominations are sought for the 1998 John Fry Award. This award is in the form of a silver medal which is presented at the College AGM. It is presented to a younger Member or Fellow of the College who has promoted the discipline of General Practice through research and publishing as a practising GP. Nominations for the Award should be made in confidence to the Chairman of the Awards Committee, Royal College of General Practitioners, 14 Princes Gate, London SW7 1PU. They should include supporting information on the work of the nominee aged 45 years or younger at the closing date of the award and should be accompanied by a submission from the nominating/sponsoring College member, together with an additional letter of support. Additional details are available from the Clerk to the Awards Committee at the College for those interested in the Award.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: 30 April 1998

THE PATIENT PARTICIPATION AWARD

Nominations are sought for the 1998 Patient Participation Award. The award which is to the value of £1000 is to be used either to benefit the patients of a practice or to further patient participation in the UK. Applications or nominations may be accepted from any member of the practice team, patient group, or patient of a practice. For a copy of the criteria please contact the Clerk to the Awards Committee.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: 30 June 1998

THE BILL STYLES MEMORIAL AWARD

The Royal College of General Practitioners invites applications for this year’s Bill Styles Memorial Award. The Bill Styles Memorial Award is to be presented to a younger Member or Associate of the College. It is intended to encourage younger general practitioners to further their education either within the UK or by travel abroad. Applicants must be Members or Associates of the Royal College of General Practitioners and aged 35 years or younger at the closing date of the award.

The award takes the form of a project grant which will be awarded in two stages: half at the Annual General Meeting of the College in November and half on completion of the final report. A certificate signed by the President and Chairman will be presented along with the cheque at the AGM. Additional details and criteria are available from the Clerk to the Awards Committee.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: 30 June 1998

Further details and application forms available from:
Royal College of General Practitioners, 14 Princes Gate, Hyde Park, London, SW7 1PU
Tel: 0171 581 3232 Fax: 0171 589 3145

Catherine Messent Clerk of the Awards Committee - Ext 246 Email: cmessent@rcgp.org.uk

or Mayuri Patel, Assistant Committee Clerk to the Awards Committee - Ext 233 Email: mpatel@rcgp.org.uk
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CONFIRMATION OF AMENDMENTS MADE TO SUBSCRIPTION BYE-LAWS

Amendments to the Bye-laws governing membership fees were agreed at the College’s 1997 AGM and will take effect for all subscription payments from 1 April 1998. Full details appear on the College’s Internet Website (for further information please refer to the “What’s New” page) or may be obtained from the Membership Section at Princes Gate.
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Open to GPs, other doctors and nurses interested or involved in travel medicine or occupational health. Course has maximum PGEA accreditation.

Closing date for applications for 1998-99 course is 1 May 1998.

For further information please contact:
Mrs Susan Harvey, Diploma in Travel Medicine,
Department of Infection and Tropical Medicine,
Ruchill Hospital, Bislard Drive, Glasgow, G20 9NB.
Telephone: 0141 946 7120. Ext 1368 or fax: 0141 946 6272.

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Faculty of Health and Human Sciences

Multi-Professional Issues in Health and Social Care
The impact on education and workforce planning

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Wednesday 6 May 1998

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Keynote speakers are: Gill Newton, Head of Workforce Planning & Education. NHS Executive; Dr Matt Muijen, Director, Sainsbury Centre for Mental Health; Professor Janet Finch, Vice Chancellor, Keele University and Chair of CVC Health Professions Committee.

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3. The future role of the health care professional

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Closing date for submission 12th February 1998

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Vivienne Proffit, Deputy Faculty Registrar, Faculty of Health & Human Sciences,
University of Hertfordshire, College Lane, Hatfield, Herts AL10 9AB
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Accident & Emergency Medicine Conference

Tuesday, 31st March 1998

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Further details from Margaret Atwood on 01902 863511 X390.

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Thursday 4th June, 1998

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Departmental info on http://medweb.bham.ac.uk/gp/ Informal enquiries to Professor Richard Hobbs, Medical School, at the address below, telephone 0121 414 3766, (e-mail: f.d.r.hobbs@bham.ac.uk) or the Dean's Office on 0121 414 4046.

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Yvonne Carter, Catti Moss and Anne Weyman

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The OMRON IT5 offers the ideal solution in temperature measurement for babies, young children and the elderly. Readings taken from the ear offer a precise and pleasant measurement in only 3 seconds. This high quality, compact model includes one small battery which will allow for more than 5000 readings. The OMRON IT5 offers an easy to use answer to temperature measurement - whatever the situation.

OMRON CX NEBULISER

The latest research shows a continuing increase in the occurrence of asthma and related bronchial conditions. GPs are encouraging sufferers to treat their conditions in the comfort of their own homes. In response to professional demand Omron have developed affordable, medically proven domestic nebulisers. Supplied with user friendly mouthpiece, the Omron CX is light, easy to sterilise and has a quick change filter.

OMRON 705-CP BLOOD PRESSURE MONITOR

Automatic inflation: The OMRON HEM 705CP™™ is the top of the range model with integral printer and memory recall of up to 13 previous readings.

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