

## ROSE-HUNT AWARD

At the twenty-first Annual General Meeting of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners, the Rose-Hunt award was bestowed upon Dr H. M. Saxby, OBE, ED, C.St J, MB, FRCGP, FRACGP, of Chafford—Mt Henry, Crookwell, New South Wales 2625.

## SOCIETY OF FAMILY PRACTITIONER COMMITTEES

Dr J. L. Copelowitz, JP, General Practitioner, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, has been elected President of the Society of Family Practitioner Committees.

## COLLEGE OF GENERAL PRACTICE OF RHODESIA

Fellowship and Membership of the College of General Practice of Rhodesia is now a registrable additional qualification in Rhodesia. Such registration is dependent on the fellow or member remaining a fellow or member of the College, and this in turn depends, among other things, on a minimum of 50 hours' continuing medical education certified and approved by the College censors in every two-year period.

## EXCERPTA MEDICA TRAVEL AWARD 1979

Applications are invited for the Excerpta Medica Travel Award 1979. The Award, which lasts for a period of three months and covers travel and hotel costs, is open to all doctors born during, or after, 1943. If married, the recipient may be accompanied by either husband or wife.

Those wishing to be considered for this Award should write to Mr Kenneth Ellison Davis, Travel Award Office, Excerpta Medica Foundation, PO Box 1126, 1000BC Amsterdam, The Netherlands, and should enclose a curriculum vitae, with a recent photograph; a list of publications with reprints; two letters of recommendation; and a statement of approximately 250 words indicating

how the Award would be used.

The closing date for applications is 1 March 1979.

## THE A.V. PENNY MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP

This memorial Fellowship was donated by the trustees of the Abe and Harry Sherman Foundation in appreciation of their late company director, Arthur Vivian Penny. The Fellowship, which is intended for people of Welsh extraction and those who work in Wales, is a periodic award for postgraduate study in thoracic medicine and its value is a maximum of £1,000 each year. It will be given on the basis of merit, and if more than one doctor is considered eligible the award will be shared according to the doctors' relative needs. It is in the spirit of the bequest that applications from general practitioners will be favourably considered.

Applications giving personal information and details of intended study should be sent to Dr W. H. M. Evans, Prior Garth, Ewenny, Bridgend, Mid. Glamorgan CF35 5AW, before 31 March 1979.

## NINTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON GENERAL PRACTICE/FAMILY MEDICINE

The ninth World Conference on General Practice/Family Medicine will be held jointly with the American Academy of Family Physicians in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, from 4 to 9 October 1980.

This six-day meeting will have as hosts the American Academy of Family Physicians, and will feature joint lecture presentations with instantaneous translation services.

In addition to lectures and other educational activities, there will be clinical seminars, 'live' teaching demonstrations, and closed-circuit television.

In addition to the medical meeting the Academy is planning a wide variety of medical activities for the spouses and children of participants. The tone of the meetings is expected to capture the flavour of 'old New Orleans' including the famous Mardi Gras and world-

renowned New Orleans Jazz.

Further information can be obtained from the Director of Planning, 1980 WONCA/AAFP Meeting, 1740 West 92nd Street, Kansas City, Missouri, USA, 64114.

## FOURTH WINNICOTT CONFERENCE

The fourth Winnicott conference on Containing Stress in Professional Work will be held at Bedford College, Regent's Park, London on 23 March 1979. Further details can be obtained from Mrs Joyce Coles, 1 Anne Mount, 44 Madeley Road, Ealing, London W5 2LU.

## NURSES, MIDWIVES, AND HEALTH VISITORS BILL

A Bill to regulate the training of the nursing, midwifery, and health visiting professions was given a first reading on 2 November 1978.

This Bill will establish a new unified structure for setting standards of education and training and professional conduct of nurses, midwives, and health visitors. The Bill provides for a central register for all qualified nurses, midwives, and health visitors.

## HEALTH AGREEMENT WITH HUNGARY

Britons taken ill while on holiday or on business trips in Hungary will be able to get urgent medical treatment free of charge under a reciprocal health agreement recently signed.

## USA

The American Academy of Family Physicians has voted to provide financial support to enable its Michigan chapter to continue its law suit against the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. The litigation challenges the dual fee system under which family physicians are subject to different prevailing fee levels from those of other types of specialists.