

Annual Report from the Eating Disorders SIG for the June 2005 Meeting of Council.

The activities of the Eating Disorders Special Interest group (EDSIG) over the last year (2004 to 2005) are listed below.

- **Section Status of EDSIG:** In November 2004 EDSIG applied for section status within the College. This request was well-received by the Executive and Finance Committee which acknowledged the importance of the field and the validity of the points put forward in support of the request for change of status. Whilst the committee was in favour of granting section status to Eating Disorders in principle, we were told that the College at the time did not have the financial, administrative or office space resources required to support a new section. The Executive and Finance Committee felt strongly that EDSIG does deserve reconsideration of its status when College finances allow and have therefore asked us that we should re-submit our request in a year's time. We will resubmit our request in the autumn of 2005.
- **Training of Specialists in Eating Disorders:** Proposals for adult Eating Disorders higher training have already been developed and approved by GOAPSAC. Complementary guidelines for C&A psychiatrists, have now been developed by EDSIG, incorporating feedback from CAMHS via the FOCUS network, and taking into consideration the move towards competency based training. This proposal for C& Adolescent eating disorder training has been put forward to the Child and Adolescent Faculty.
- **EDSIG Web Representative:** We have appointed a web representative, Dr. Jon Arcelus who has begun to transform our website.
- **NICE Obesity Guideline:** EDSIG is a registered stakeholder of the NICE obesity guideline.
- **Revision of Council Report 87:** A working group has been formed for the revision of Council Report 87. This work has been slightly delayed as Dr. Paul Robinson who chaired the two previous versions of this report has had to step down from chairing this. Dr. U. Schmidt and Dr. Adrienne Key now jointly chair the working party. Preliminary contact has been made with Prof. Paul Lelliott from the College Research Unit about involving the CRU and the initial response has been positive.
- **Guidelines for the Nutritional Management of Eating Disorders :** Proofs of this document have been received by the working group (Chair Dr. Anthony Winston) and will be returned shortly. The report will be published as CR130 (both in print and online) within three weeks of the proofs being returned.

- **National Map Study of Child and Adolescent Eating Disorder Services:** A national map study of Child and Adolescent eating disorder services has been conducted, headed by a member of EDSIG.
- **Online CPD:** EDSIG are producing two online resources on eating disorders, one for professionals managing adults with eating disorders, the other for professionals managing children and adolescents with eating disorders.
- **SIG Events:** The group organised two very well attended SIG training days, one on service transitions in eating disorders (November 2005), the other on guideline implementation (March 2005).
- **Edinburgh meeting:** the group will have a strong presence at the Edinburgh meeting with 3 sessions on eating disorders.

Dr. Ulrike Schmidt & Dr. Adrienne Key
19th of May 2005.