

# Response to Joze Jancar Lecture

- Dr Jane McCarthy, Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
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# Joze Jancar

1920-2000

'We are physicians, not magicians!'



Heaton-Ward WA. Joze Jancar: Formerly Honorary Consultant Psychiatrist, Stoke Park Hospital, Bristol. *Psychiatric Bulletin*. 2000;24(12):479-479. doi:10.1192/pb.24.12.479

## Achievements

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Born in Slovenia in 1920. King Peter II Medallion award & cross-country skiing champion

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Interned in 1942 while a medical student with his wife to be: was held in a room where people were randomly selected each day to be shot

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Employed initially as a nurse in Bristol then finished medical training in Ireland.

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Junior Medical Officer – Stokes Park Hospital in 1956. Moving from Custodial to therapeutic approaches, setting up the Department. Of Mental Handicap at the University of Bristol. Retired in 1985

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Over 100 publications. Burden Research Gold Medal and Prize in 1971 & IASSIDD Distinguished Achievement Award for Scientific Literature in 1985.

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Vice President of the Royal College of Psychiatrists in 1981 and elected in 1998 as an Honorary Fellow of the College.

# Professor Regi Alexander



Outstanding Clinician: Clinical lead for Forensic Learning Disability services within the NHS East of England Provider Collaborative



Remarkably Teacher: Chaired the Royal College of Psychiatrists' International Congress (2014–2019), served as Associate Dean for Conferences, CPD and Advanced Learning (2019–2022), and directed the National Autism Training Programme for Psychiatrists (2022–2025)



Inspirational Researcher: Authored over 100 publications and edited four major texts: Oxford Textbook of Psychiatry of Intellectual Disability (2020), Forensic Aspects of Neurodevelopmental Disorders (2023), Psychiatry of Intellectual Disability Across Cultures (2024), and The Frith Prescribing Guidelines for People with Intellectual Disability, 4th ed. (2024)



Leader in the Field both nationally and internationally: President of the Royal Society of Medicine's Intellectual Disability Forum, Royal College of Psychiatrists' President's Medal in 2018



Exceptional qualities of humility, team player and the pursuit of excellence



**Any Questions**

