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EUFAMI 5th European Congress

Community Care - a blessing or a curse

24th and 25th September 2011
Basel, Switzerland

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In local co-operation with UPK

EUFAMI Congress – Two months to go

Two months to go to the start of our Congress. In relation to delegate registration - delegate registration will remain open until the 31st August. From the 1st September, delegate registration will be closed. Interactive workshops will be an integral and important part of the Congress programme.

In order to give the registered delegates an opportunity to decide which workshops they would wish to attend, shortly after the 15th August, we will mail out to all delegates who will have registered by that date, requesting that they indicate, by return email, their first and second preferences of the workshops they would like to attend. We will then allocate as best as possible the delegates' first preferences based on availability of space in the various workshop rooms at the Congress venue.

If you plan to attend the Congress and in order to ensure that you are allocated your first preference for the workshops, please register before the 15th August. Delegate registration can be completed by logging onto www.eufami.org and clicking the Congress advertisement on the webpage.

European Mad Pride comes to Brussels

After the success of Mad Pride 2007, the user-led Belgian organisation UilenSpiegel, in partnership with the European Network of (ex)Users and Survivors of Psychiatry (ENUSP), will host the European Mad Pride event on the 8th October starting at 13.30. All are welcome to join in. Check out their page on Facebook.



Petite-Oursonne et son papa (Little bear and his dad)



This book, which is available in French, is edited by Unafam (EUAMI's French member association). The book is dedicated to very young children who have a parent suffering with mental illness and is a first in France. The history of the Little Pooh is designed to answer essential questions which arise from time to time. Most importantly, through the simple but explicit text, images that are both evocative and poetic, *Petite-Oursonne et son papa* is a valuable starting point to discuss with children, without any taboo, the difficult topic of a family member having psychiatric illness. To order a copy of the book log onto

www.unafam.org (rubrique publications de l'Unafam)

EU Green Paper on Professional Qualifications

The EU Green Paper modernising the professional qualifications Directive has been adopted by the Commission and outlines possible ways forward that are of particular relevance to the health sector. For instance, the introduction of a professional card closely linked to the Internal Market Information System (IMI) could make it considerably easier for professionals to have their qualifications recognised in another Member State. A professional card issued by a competent authority in the professional's home Member State could then allow the professional to demonstrate his/her credentials (having the necessary qualifications, being authorised to practise) to consumers, employers and relevant authorities in another Member State. Stakeholders are invited to respond to the consultation by 20 September 2011. The Green Paper can be consulted at

http://ec.europa.eu/internal_market/consultations/2011/professional_qualifications_directive_en.htm where also the replies can be posted.

Prospect – EUFAMI's Training Programme

Prospect, EUFAMI's Training Initiative, is currently being used by people in over 14 European countries. *Prospect* is a very unique peer to peer programme and was developed by EUFAMI members from many countries. If you would like to get further information, contact Rita Geerts on project.admin.office@eufami.org.



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