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science, support, medication, and treatments for specific aspects of the pre and postpartum period. Please join 400 of your colleagues from over 37 countries who are nurses, midwives, psychiatrists, obstetricians, and psychologists who will take part in this critical conference to better understand and care for women at this important time in their lives. The setting for the meeting will also allow for valuable collaboration and exchange among these specialists who are working together in the field of perinatal mental health, and we want you to be a part of that. We look forward to seeing you in Paris in October.

Individuals who submitted an abstract for consideration for the program will be notified at the end of April. If you have further questions on the scientific program, email:

marce.society.paris2012@gmail.com.

The reduced registration price is available until June 30! <http://www.info-congres.com/marce-eng/registration.php>.

Participants should book their hotel in advance because hotel may get soon full with attendees to the World car exhibition at the same period in Paris. <http://www.info-congres.com/marce-eng/infos.php>

You may also download a high-quality version of the announcement of the Congress to forward to your journals! <http://marcesociety.com/Meetings.aspx>

NEW REGIONAL MARCÈ SOCIETY GROUP FOUNDED IN SPAIN!

By Kathie Wisner

At the World Congress on Women's Health in Madrid, Nine Glangeaud, Vivette Glover, Mike O'Hara, Jane Engeldinger, Martin Kammerer, and Diana Carter and I had the pleasure of being hosted for a delicious Spanish cuisine feast by Ibone Olza. Ibone is an energetic physician who works at Psiquiatría Infanto-juvenil Hospital Puerta de Hierro Majadahonda. She has established a regional Marcè Society group! Here is the link to the first article that Ibone and her colleagues have written to introduce the Spanish section of Marcè Society to Spanish mental health professionals:

[http://www.editorialmedica.com/archivos/cuadernos/trabajo_5\(8\).pdf](http://www.editorialmedica.com/archivos/cuadernos/trabajo_5(8).pdf)



Ibone Olza Fernandez

Buen trabajo! Gracias! Read more about Ibone on her website: <http://www.iboneolza.com/>

The next Spanish regional meeting will be held in Barcelona on May 11, 2012. For more information visit: <http://marcesociety.com/Upcoming-meetings.aspx>.

MARCÈ SOCIETY ELECTIONS

Attention Marcè Members! We are currently putting together the nominations for officers for 2013 and 2014 for individuals who are ready, willing and able to step up and assist with the leadership of our society. We have grown so much in the past few years and want to keep the momentum going. If you are interested, or know someone who would be a great representative to continue the vision of the society, please email us at: info@marcesociety.com. Please let us know by April 30th if you have a name to put forward. Thank you.

PMG RENEWAL

We wanted to let you know that, on behalf of the membership, we have recently renewed our contract with Parthenon Management Group (PMG) to manage the administrative affairs and member inquiries for the society. They have recently completed a successful application for Marcè to become a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization and are applying for grants for projects and meetings to allow the society to expand our programs and services for members. We look forward to this continued relationship with PMG and we hope that you, as members, will continue to spread the word about all that our society has to offer for the field of perinatal mental health. If you need anything at all, please do not hesitate to email Nicole Greer at: ngreer@parthenonmanagementgroup.com.

MARCÈ DIAMOND MEMBERS

As we have introduced to you earlier in the year, we now have an optional Diamond membership level of \$250 USD which entitles you to a free Babies Aloud DVD and Resource Pak, along with special recognition at the Paris Congress, not to mention knowing that you are helping to sustain the Society! So far for 2012, the diamond members are: **Dr. Katherine Wisner, Dr. Tadaharu**

Okano, Dr. Louise Ann Salmon, Dr. Brian Stafford, and Dr. Hiroshi Yamashita. Thank you for your support!

THE RESOURCE PAK IS COMING!

Coming to the Paris meeting in October, The Marcé Society has developed this publication as a professional education resource for clinicians, midwives, health visitors, nurses, students, residents, and other professionals who care for women during the perinatal period and who wish to update their skills and knowledge of mental health issues surrounding this time. The focus of this resource will be to educate clinicians how to understand and recognize symptoms of mental disorders which impact mothers and their babies. The focus of this piece is not solely postpartum depression – importantly, the guidelines encompass a spectrum of psychosocial and mental health issues known to impact women and families during pregnancy and postpartum. It is important to note that pregnant women are seen by professionals more frequently than at other times of their lives. Care during childbearing provides the opportunity to identify women at risk for disorders such as schizophrenia, bipolar, and substance abuse, just to name a few. In addition to the information provided, this packet will guide clinicians through many typical scenarios facing women during childbearing including miscarriage, stillbirth, financial crisis, lack of support from partner, unwanted pregnancy, medication usage, etc.

BABIES ALOUD

Don't forget to order your copy of the Babies Aloud DVD, WHAT MEN NEED TO KNOW ABOUT POSTNATAL DEPRESSION. Intended for fathers, health professionals, groups, and individuals, the films are designed to challenge stereotypes by reinforcing the notion of a balanced parental relationship which is fundamental to help the mother affected by post natal depression to cope with the disorder and to make an effective recovery from it. For further information and details please click on:

<http://shsfaculty.swan.ac.uk/janehanley/>

RECENT LISTSERV DISCUSSIONS

Remember that you can visit <http://marcesociety.com/References.aspx> anytime to review what is being discussed on the member listserv. Recent discussions include: Resources for Families, Member Referrals, SSRI's and Pregnancy, Pregnancy Loss, and Infant Behavioral Research. If you have a topic that you would like to pose to the membership for feedback, just send an email to: discussion@lsrv.marcesociety.com.

UKIMS MAY MEETING

Wednesday 16th May 2012, The UKIMS Group of MARCÈ will be presenting:

What's new in Perinatal Mental Health?

Liverpool Women's Hospital, Blair Education Centre, Crown Street, Liverpool L8 7SS

Click here for more information: <http://marcesociety.com/Uk-ireland-group.aspx>

NEW REPRODUCTIVE PSYCHIATRY TRAINING PROGRAM IN THE USA!

Congratulations to our UNC Colleagues!

By Samantha Meltzer-Brodv. M.D.

The first and only NIH-funded postdoctoral training program in reproductive mood disorders in the United States has been awarded to the Department of Psychiatry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The training program, directed by David R. Rubinow, M.D. (a Marcé Medalist!) and Susan S. Girdler, Ph.D., is designed to train both MD and PhD scientists, and to foster the development of researchers with expertise in both the biological basis and clinically relevant (predictive) phenotypes of reproductive mood disorders (perinatal depression, premenstrual dysphoric disorder, and perimenopausal depression). Training will involve a broad-based and integrative perspective, involving not only psychiatry but cardiology, genetics, endocrinology, neuroscience, and obstetrics/gynecology. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill represents an ideal setting for this program because it possesses a well-known collaborative infrastructure, a vibrant women's mood disorders clinical program (which includes the first inpatient perinatal depression program in the country), and a critical mass of researchers in reproductive mood disorders with a track record of success.

The program's emphasis is on training in pathophysiological *mechanisms* that underlie reproductive mood disorders. The trainees will develop mastery in the following: reproductive hormonal physiology and signaling; methods for manipulating the reproductive system; and clinical phenomenology of reproductive mood disorders. Additionally, trainees will develop expertise in at least one of four methodological training tracks: Neurosciences, Genetics, Stress Physiology, or Clinical Trials Methodology. Fellows who complete this program will be poised to become independent researchers, having the requisite foundation to examine biobehavioral mechanisms in reproductive mood disorders and the ability to identify therapeutic biologic targets in their future independent research. Applications for this two year training program (with possible extension for a third year) are being accepted for a July 2012 start date. Salary is consistent with the NIH post-doctoral stipend levels. If interested, send your curriculum vitae to Susan Girdler, Ph.D. at susan_girdler@med.unc.edu or Department of Psychiatry CB 7175 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, NC 27599.



PARENTHOOD BOOK

Member Jennie Ericksen has written a book that is an antenatal preparation for parenthood. It is published by ACER in Australia and is available from their online book store. The website where it can be purchased is www.towardsparenthood.org.au.

If you have a book you would like us to feature, please email us at: info@marcesociety.com.

**POSTPARTUM SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL
TRAININGS AND REPRODUCTIVE PSYCHIATRY
SEMINAR**

Las Vegas, Nevada | June 27-30, 2012



Register before April 15 for early bird discount. Here's the link to learn more and register. <http://psi-2012.eventbrite.com/>

Come to any or all of the four day meeting. All days approved for CE and CME credits. Discount registration for psychiatry residents and students. Fabulous discount conference group rate at The Orleans. Reception & Networking Dinner - Friday June 29th, 2012

To view all upcoming meetings, please visit:

<http://marcesociety.com/Upcoming-meetings.aspx>

Choose to attend any combination of the meeting events:

June 27-28 | PSI Perinatal Mood & Anxiety Disorders Certificate Training

June 29 | PSI Social Support Skills Training & Latina Moms Workshop

June 29 | Evening Reception: Meet PSI Founder - Jane Honikman, MS

June 29 | Networking Dinner at The Orleans

June 30 | Reproductive Psychiatry Seminar

Of particular interest to Marcé Society members, PSI will host an advanced Reproductive Psychiatry Seminar on Saturday, June 30th, providing a full day of learning from and sharing with experts in the field. This seminar provides a chance for robust discussion and Q & A with pioneers in the field of perinatal psychiatry. Visit <http://www.postpartum.net/News-and-Events/PSI-2012-Training-br-and-Repro-Psych-Las-Vegas.aspx> for more information.

2012 WOMEN'S MENTAL HEALTH CONFERENCE in NEW YORK

September 14, 2012: The Art and Science of Caring

A national conference that addresses the link between women and mental health issues and the treatment and care of their families: from spouses to children and from parents to extended family members. As has long been recognized and formally noted at the 2000 "Conference for Women" hosted by the United Nations: The well-being of our society rests squarely with the well-being of women." This Conference is designed to ensure that women can get up to date and accurate information – in a supportive and empowering environment – about their mental well-being. For more details, please email Benita Shobe at: BShobe@bbrfoundation.org.



ARCHIVES OF WOMEN'S MENTAL HEALTH

In case you have missed it, here is what has been in the Journal recently:

[Replicability of structural models of the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale \(EPDS\) in a community sample of postpartum African American women with low socioeconomic status](#)

[Symptoms of depression during pregnancy are associated with increased systolic blood pressure responses towards](#)

[infant distress](#)

[Violence as a risk factor for postpartum depression in mothers: a meta-analysis](#)

To view all recent articles, click here: <http://www.springerlink.com/content/v7046w67x244/>

Thank you for your membership and for being an important part of a growing group of clinicians, midwives, researchers and scientists who are working together for the understanding, prevention, and treatment of mental illness related to childbearing.