## Forthcoming evidence-based courses and conferences

#### 2005

### 21-23 March

Oxford Workshop on the Practice of Evidence-based Medicine/ Mental Health Oxford, UK

The workshop, to be held at St Hilda's College, is intended to serve as an introduction to evidence-based medicine. It is aimed at clinicians and other healthcare professionals who wish to gain knowledge of critical appraisal and experience in the *practice* of evidence-based healthcare.

Further information can be found at www.cebm.net/courses.asp

#### 4-8 April

Randomised Controlled Trials Course: a Guide to Design, Analysis, Interpretation and Reporting *Oxford, UK* 

This course, again held at St Hilda's College, provides a thorough grounding in the principles and practice of randomised clinical trials for the evaluation of healthcare interventions. It will include talks and workshops to give guidance on the methodology of trials using a problem-based learning approach.

Further information can be found at www.cebm.net/courses.asp

#### 9-11 May

Evidence-Based Dentistry in Practice *Manchester, UK* 

Further information on this Cochrane Oral Health Group meeting can be found at www.cochrane-oral.man.ac.uk/ebp.course.htm

#### 9-13 May

6th Oxford Course in Evidence-Based Dentistry *Oxford, UK* 

This course will be held at the Oxford University Department of Continuing Education, at Rewley House. Further information can be found at www.conted.ox.ac.uk/cpd/healthsciences/courses/ short\_courses/Evidence\_Based\_dentistry/

#### 20–22 June

Health Technology Assessment International (HTAi) Annual Meeting: Bringing HTA into Practice *Rome, Italy* 

The second Annual Meeting of HTAi will focus on the role of HTA in technological innovation processes, addressing key questions such as "What are the appropriate instruments, necessary skills, and useful partnerships?"

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#### 22 June

One-day Workshop on Evidence-based Medicine *Oxford*, *UK* 

This course will be held at the Oxford University Department of Continuing Education, at Rewley House. Further information can be found at www.cebm.net/courses.asp

#### 5-9 September

Oxford Workshop in Teaching Evidence-based Medicine/Mental Health

Oxford, UK

This workshop at St Hilda's College is aimed at clinicians and other healthcare professionals who already have some knowledge of critical appraisal and experience in the practice of evidence-based healthcare and who want to explore issues around *teaching* it. The workshop is not intended to serve as an introduction to evidencebased medicine itself.

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#### 2-6 November

Third International Conference of Evidence-Based Health Care Teachers and Developers. Building Bridges between Research and Teaching

Taormina, Italy

Meet teachers and developers from around the world in a 3-day programme that will include abstracts, posters, keynote talks to highlight some of the major developments in evidence-based healthcare in recent years, and small group sessions to foster an exchange between individuals and institutions.

Further information can be found at www.ebhc.org/

#### 4-6 November

Second International Conference on Evidence-Based Dentistry Chicago, Illinois, USA

For further information, contact g.clites@elsevier.com

# The Oxford Master's Programme in Evidence-Based Healthcare

The programme includes three part-time award-bearing courses: a Postgraduate Certificate, a Postgraduate Diploma and an MSc. The aim of the Postgraduate Certificate programme is to help health professionals become good consumers of health research, by giving them the skills to find evidence, appraise evidence, and use evidence to make clinical and health management decisions. The Postgraduate Diploma and MSc levels focus on developing research skills. A work–study approach to learning is used, where health professionals identify relevant research issues within their work environment, and use the structure of the Diploma and MSc modules to design research projects which can generate evidence for healthcare. There is a minimum attendance requirement of 70% for each of the taught components on each course.

Further information is available at www.conted.ox.ac.uk/health/ htmlfiles/master/masterfr.htm