

**South Wales and South West England Women's History Network
and the Centre for Medical History**

University of Exeter

Gender, Health and Medicine in Historical Perspective

5 - 6 July 2008

Friday 4 July			
7pm onwards	Evening buffet for early arrivals, Birks Grange. Bar open 6 pm - midnight		
Saturday 5 July			
8.30 – 9.45 am	Registration and Coffee		
9.45 – 11.00 am	<p>Welcome and Plenary lecture 1, Queens Lecture Theatre 1; Chair: Jo Melling</p> <p>Professor Hilary Marland, University of Warwick</p> <p><i>'Bounding saucy health': Health advice for girls c.1900</i></p>		
11.00 – 11.30 am	Coffee		
11.30 am – 1.00 pm	A – Room 1G	B – Room 1B	C – Room 1C
Parallel sessions	<p><u>Chair: Kath Holden</u></p> <p>Sue Hawkins, <i>Far from being universally subordinated and oppressed? A study of the gendered nature of roles and responsibilities in C19th London hospitals</i></p>	<p><u>Chair: Fiona Reid</u></p> <p>Paul Atkinson, <i>Maternity in industrial northern England, 1860-1920</i></p>	<p><u>Chair: Sarah Toulalan</u></p> <p>Hannah Newton, <i>Miniature Patients? Medical Perceptions of Children's Constitutions in early modern England</i></p> <p>Angela Davis, <i>'When I got married my</i></p>

	<p>Rebecca Wynter, <i>'His Real Remedies': Gender and Medical Treatment at Staffordshire county Lunatic Asylum, 1818-1840</i></p> <p>Julia Neville, <i>'A certain lady is trying to rule the County Council': Dame Georgiana Buller and the shaping of health service policy in Devon in the 1930s</i></p>	<p>Martine Stirling, <i>Controlling maternity and childbirth: the 1936 Midwives Bill</i></p>	<p><i>mother said to me, "Bet, you've been a jolly good son to your father"': Child development and the father/daughter relationship, Britain c. 1910-1960</i></p> <p>Lesley Dibley, <i>Lesbian Parents in the healthcare system: positioning to protect needs</i></p>
1.00 – 1.45 pm	Lunch		
1.45 – 3.15 pm	A – Room 1G	B – Room 1B	C – Room 1C
Parallel sessions	<p><u>Chair: June Hannam</u></p> <p>Fiona Reid, <i>The Croix Rouge Française: femininity and female patriotism in interwar France</i></p> <p>Linda Martz, <i>'That splendid body of women': nursing, registration, and suffragette militancy</i></p> <p>Margaret Olszewski, <i>Winning the Minds of Men / No Field Service Required: Poster Visions of the American World War I Nurse</i></p>	<p><u>Chair: tba</u></p> <p>Sarah Scutts, <i>Saint Æthelthryth of Ely: Holy Virgin or Disobedient Wife? Anglo-Saxon Female Hagiography in Reformation Polemic</i></p> <p>Anita Higgin, <i>Mortification or Meditation? Medieval Women Mystics and the Violation of Health in the Name of Piety</i></p> <p>Carmen Mangion, <i>'Arousing the Imagination and Exposing Modesty to Danger': Catholic Women Religious and Sexual Purity</i></p>	<p><u>Chair: : Jennie Jordan</u></p> <p>Linda McGuire, <i>The many meanings of saga: sorceress or practitioner of medicine in ancient Rome?</i></p> <p>Tatiana Trofimova, <i>Women teaching and practising medicine in medieval Italy</i></p> <p>Anne Stobart, <i>From control to compliance: lay therapeutics and the life cycle in the early modern household</i></p>
3.15 – 3.45 pm	Tea		
3.45 – 5.00 pm	<p><u>Plenary lecture 2: Queens Lecture Theatre 1; Chair: Jonathan Barry</u></p> <p>Margaret Pelling, University of Oxford</p> <p><i>Too many women? Perceptions of gender imbalance in early modern England</i></p>		
5.00 – 6.00 pm	South Wales and South West England Women's History Network AGM		

6.00 pm - midnight	Bar open, Birks Grange		
7.30 pm	Conference Dinner, Birks Grange		
Sunday 6 July			
9.00 – 10.30 am	A – Room 1G	B - Room 1B	C – Room 1C
Parallel sessions	<p><u>Chair: Ali Haggett</u></p> <p>Jane Potter and Carol Acton, <i>'These frightful sights would work havoc with one's brain': women's war texts and the psychology of trauma</i></p> <p>Tracey Loughran, <i>Male hysteria, traumatic neurosis, and war trauma: re-reading shell-shock as a gendered diagnosis</i></p> <p>Lesley Coates, <i>The Myth of Hysteria and the Wandering Womb in Eighteenth-Century Britain</i></p>	<p><u>Chair: Pamela Dale</u></p> <p>Ofra Koffman, <i>'From 'Unmarried Mothers' to 'Teenage pregnancy': the Emergence of the Problem of the 'Young Unmarried Mother'</i></p> <p>Julie Phillips, <i>Sexual risk behaviour among adolescent school girls in the Western Cape, South Africa</i></p> <p>Tania Steyl, <i>Drinking, binge-drinking, and substance use among health professional students</i></p>	<p><u>Chair: Maddy Morgan</u></p> <p>Cathy McClive, <i>Engendering Taboo: Attitudes to Menstruation in Early Modern France</i></p> <p>Vicky Sparey, <i>The Mother's Blood in Renaissance Generative Theory and Shakespeare</i></p> <p>Yolanda Eraso, <i>Medical styles, diverging spaces: the detection and treatment of gynaecological cancer in Argentinian women, 1920-1960</i></p>
10.30 – 10.50	Coffee		
10.50 am – 12.20 pm	A – Room 1G	B – Room 1B	C – Room 1C
Parallel sessions	<p><u>Chair: Maddy Morgan</u></p> <p>Jennifer Evans, <i>Infertility, Aphrodisiacs and Sexual Performance in Early Modern England</i></p> <p>Antje Kampf, <i>Private Matters? Negotiating male infertility in post-war Germany</i></p>	<p><u>Chair: Ali Haggett</u></p> <p>Marc Bush, <i>Constructing an 'autistic pathology': Hans Asperger, Austria and the Profession of Psychiatry, 1900-1945</i></p> <p>Matthew Smith, <i>The Most Oversensitive, Obnoxious, Overbearing Mother There Ever Was' or How Mothers Saved the Feingold Diet</i></p> <p>Mary Clare Martin, <i>Gender, Power and Resistance: institutional care of "mentally</i></p>	<p><u>Chair: Anne Stobart</u></p> <p>Eyah Amalsaleh and Manije Abdolahi, <i>The Gender and Social Status of the Patient in Old Persian Medical Texts</i></p> <p>Jerri Daboo, <i>'Where did the tarantula bite you?: an examination of illness and therapy in the ritual of tarantism</i></p> <p>Mokshika Gaur, <i>Body, Space and Gender: Notions of Health and Illness Among the Korwa of India</i></p>

		<i>defective and feeble-minded" girls in Glasgow in the 1930s and 1940s</i>	
12.20 – 1.00 pm	Lunch		
1.00 – 2.15 pm	<u>Plenary Lecture 3, Queens Lecture Theatre 1; Chair: Jonathan Barry</u> Sandra Cavallo, Royal Holloway, University of London <i>Women, health work and housework: the view from early modern Italy</i>		
2.15 – 2.35 pm	Tea		
2.35 – 4.00pm	A – Room 1G	B – Room 1B	C – Room 1C
Parallel sessions	<u>Chair: Matthew Smith</u> Peter Yang and Jennifer M. Kidd, <i>Do women experience a greater amount of informal support at work than men? A study of gender, power and health in Taiwan</i> Debbie Palmer, <i>Who cared for the carers? The problem of tuberculosis and its threat to British nurses' health, 1880 – 1950</i>	<u>Chair: Pamela Dale</u> Ali Haggett, <i>Housewives, neuroses and the domestic environment in post-war Britain: individual perspectives</i> Jo Gill, "A Wholesome Disorder": <i>Health and Hygiene in the Literature of the American Suburbs</i> Carina Bartleet, 'Better out than In': <i>Representations of Women's Experiences of the Mental Health Systems in Contemporary British Drama</i>	
4.00 pm	Tea and close of conference		