

De-medicalising Misery III

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UEL Conference Centre, Stratford Campus,
Water Lane, London E15

THE UNIVERSITY OF EAST LONDON'S SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY, the Critical Psychiatry Network and the Hearing Voices Network (England) are delighted to present the third one-day conference in the De-Medicalising Misery series.

The UK's leading conference focusing on critique and reformulation of the understandings of distress and disablement offered by mainstream psychiatry and psychology will again provide a platform for alternative ways of thinking about, and working with, distress.

Again bringing together psychiatrists, service users and clinical psychologists at the forefront of thought and practice, this year the conference broadens its address to important questions of contemporary public interest. Speakers will ask: How has psychiatric discourse about children's emotions and behaviour contributed to a dramatic change in our views about childhood and child rearing? Why is disability understood as a problem that resides in the individual? Why is the disabled individual such a problem for society? How have social and human sciences contributed to our everyday understanding of what it means to be an individual with or without a disability? How can we work more collaboratively and imaginatively with marginalised groups in our society and empower people to take control over psychiatric medication and therapy? How can we challenge the medicalisation of other cultures' responses to trauma and displacement?

Once more combining academic integrity with accessibility and – now with an extended programme to allow much more opportunity for dialogue and debate – the conference will be of interest to practitioners and academics in psychiatry, psychology, disability studies, nursing and related disciplines, as well as to people who use or have used mental health services.

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CONFIRMED SPEAKERS:

Dan Goodley, Sami Timimi, Guy Holmes, Derek Summerfield, John Clements.

PLACES:

Limited. For further information please contact Sue Meade on 0208223 4428 or email: s.a.meade@uel.ac.uk

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BPS Members £110

Waged £150

UEL Clinical Psychology Graduates £75,

