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Dear Fellow,

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Society will take place on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019 when Professor Anthony David FRCP FRPsych MD MSc FMedSci will speak on

**INSIGHT IN MEDICINE AND PSYCHIATRY**

Professor David graduated in medicine from Glasgow University and trained in neurology before entering psychiatry at the Maudsley Hospital. He also has a Masters degree in Cognitive Neuropsychology. Professor David has a wide and diverse range of research interests including schizophrenia, neuropsychiatry, medically unexplained syndromes and neuroimaging- both structural and functional. He is especially interested in the concept of insight in schizophrenia and how this relates to treatment compliance and decision making capacity.

*Insight into illness and self-awareness can be seen as Homo Sapiens' greatest achievement but also its curse. I will attempt to relate this to awareness of illness and "denial" spanning general medicine, neurology and especially psychiatry. Is facing up to reality always better than denial? I will draw on approaches as diverse as management theory and ethics as well as functional neuroimaging of the brain in action as it observes or contemplates itself, to illustrate psychiatry at the intersection of science and the humanities.*

There will be a Buffet Supper **at 6.45pm**. The cost of the evening, to include the lecture and supper is **£35 per person**. If you wish to attend the supper please send your cheque to reach the Registrar at the above address by **THURSDAY, 4<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2019** accompanied by the attached slip or pay by Bacs and email to inform us you have done so. **Please note that orders cannot be accepted for suppers after 12 noon on the Friday before a Monday meeting.**

*Brigadier Ivan Houghton, MD FRCA  
Professor Clara Lowy MD MSC FRCP  
Honorary Secretaries*

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