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Dear Fellow

The second meeting of the Society in November will be held at 8.00pm Monday 28th November 2022 when Professor Stephen Brett MD FRCA FFICM will deliver his lecture on

BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCE AND CLINICAL LEADERSHIP IN ACUTE CARE

Stephen Brett is Professor of Critical Care at Imperial College London and consultant in Intensive Care Medicine at Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust, caring for patients at Hammersmith Hospital. He graduated from the University of Birmingham and served in the Royal Army Medical Corps for a number of years, gaining his first experience of research (in blast injury and gunshot wounds) at what was then the Defence Evaluation and Research Agency at Porton Down. Subsequent research has tended to focus on understanding and improving long term outcomes for critically ill patients and this somehow eventually came to include studying aspects of organisational and behavioural psychology in acute care, this included during the response to the pandemic, during which he was also a member of SPI-M, the SAGE sub-group responsible for modelling.

In many fields of human activity, it is possible to invest time and energy identifying the most appropriate person for the job from a very large field of applicants. In healthcare, not so much..... we are generally happy if someone shows up. In critical care huge amounts of money has been spent on doomed attempts to develop fancy concoctions to treat various conditions of debatable validity. With the exception of some recent trials in COVID, this has generally not been successful, yet outcomes have steadily improved. Perhaps if we understand how we, as people, function as individuals and "teams" we may be able use this knowledge become better "leaders" and "followers", and to accelerate improvements in outcomes for patients..., and perhaps for staff.

A Buffet Supper will precede the meeting at **6.45pm**. The cost of the evening, to include the lecture and supper will be **£40** per person. If you wish to attend the supper please send your cheque to reach the Registrar at the above address by Thursday 24th November accompanied by the attached slip. Tickets will not be issued for Ordinary Meetings. Coffee and biscuits will be served after the lecture. **Please note that we cannot usually accept orders for suppers after 12 noon on the Friday before a Monday meeting. However, if after Friday noon you decide you would like to attend, please telephone in advance to ascertain whether you can be accommodated for supper.**

Yours faithfully,

Honorary Secretaries

Dr Susan West MB BS DRCOG DMJ

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To the Registrar, 11 Chandos Street, London, W1G 9EB

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