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DVD

The First Person Plural DVD project is nearing completion. This introductory training DVD, entitled "ALogical Way of Being – the reality of dissociative identity disorder" has been achieved, in association with the European Society for Trauma and Dissociation; The Pottergate Centre for Dissociation and Trauma; Cheshire & Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust; and Serious Media Ltd. It is a unique resource which includes experts-by-experience from [First Person Plural](#) speaking alongside professionals working with Dissociative Identity Disorder in both private practice and the NHS

The DVD will have its first showing at FPP's AGM & Members Open Meeting on 7th May and will be available for sale shortly after. The general issue price for individual copies will be **£35** and significant discounts will be available for bulk purchases. [Email](#) for more information or to pre-order your copy.



Campaign

[Campaign for a Fair Society](#) wants power and control to shift from government to citizens, families and communities. But don't want the government's 'Big Society' if that means a loss of basic human rights and unfair cuts focused on the most vulnerable.

The campaign has seven principles for a fair society. [Read the principles.](#)

To join the campaign and receive regular updates click [here](#).



Training

Last chance to access funded training.... **FREE** NVQS

[The Bridge](#) is currently working in partnership with three National Training Providers to deliver the last of the FREE National Vocational Qualifications now part of the [QCF framework](#). If you would like to take advantage of this offer we would advise you to hurry as places are going fast. We are looking for organisations who have a requirement for their staff to do an NVQ in the following: Health and Social Care and Business Improvement Techniques. Applications are on a 'first come first served basis.'

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Research

Exploring experiences and meanings of self harm in South Asian women-
Research project

- Are you female, aged between 18 and 40, and of South Asian/British South Asian ethnicity?
- Do you have experience of self harm?
- Would you be willing to talk about your experiences in a confidential setting?

Research studies have reported high rates of self harm in women of South Asian ethnicity (including British-Pakistani, Indian and Bangladeshi). However, they are unlikely to access mental health or support services, so many individuals may be suffering in silence. Various explanations have been suggested, but there is limited research which asks South Asian women's own views.

This research intends to interview South Asian women about their experiences of self harm and their thoughts about services. The aim is that gaining women's perspectives may increase understanding and help inform the development of



services which are appropriate to South Asian women's needs.

If you are interested in taking part or would like more information, please contact:
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Visit the [website](#), [email](#) or telephone **0113 233 27321**
[FACEBOOK](#) search for: South Asian women self harm research

Roadshow

The [FSI](#) Roadshow in Manchester is on the **30th and 31st of March**. There are still limited places available for the sessions on the 30th of March and drop in advice sessions on 31st of March.

If you would like to reserve a place on either of the days please [email](#) Sophie . Please note that all free places are allocated on a first come first serve basis to individuals from 100% Not-for-profit organisations with an annual raised voluntary income of less than £1.5 million.



Funding

Constance Green Foundation

General charitable purposes mainly, but not exclusively, in the fields of social welfare and medicine with special emphasis on support of young people in need and both mentally and physically disabled persons.

[Email](#) or telephone 01534 487757

The Sir Jules Thorn Charitable Trust Small Grants Programme

The Trust awards grants of up to £1,500. Many charities have received grants over a number of years. Requests are considered for contributions to core funding or for specific projects.

Visit the [website](#) or [email](#) for more information.



News

Third cohort of GP Consortia announced

The latest groups of GPs to take on commissioning responsibilities have been announced by Health Secretary Andrew Lansley. There are now 177 GP commissioning consortia covering two thirds of the country and 35 million people.

[Full list of all GP pathfinders](#)

National Perinatal Mental Health Project Report

The remit of this report and related studies is to facilitate a better understanding of how, and to what extent current and planned perinatal provision is capable of meeting the needs of BME women.

[Read the report](#)

