

Centre for Policy on Ageing

The Centre for Policy on Ageing* is an independent charity established by the Nuffield Foundation in 1947 to promote better services for older people. Originally, a grant-giving body, CPA was able to finance many of the pioneering steps in British social policy - sheltered housing, day care and chiropody schemes for example - and to promote their acceptance nationally. In the 1950s and 1960s CPA also sponsored a number of major research studies of which the best known is *Social Welfare for the Elderly* by Amelia Harris (HMSO, 1968).

More recently the Centre has furthered its work as a policy-informing body through a programme of in-house research and the development of information services. CPA's field of research interest embraces all policy issues relevant to older people in society. Recently-completed or current projects concern residential and nursing home care, community care, citizen advocacy, religious and spiritual beliefs, and health service needs. Reports, policy guidelines, codes of good practice and discussion documents arising from research findings are published by the Centre.

The information service aims to disseminate information about research and literature on all aspects of ageing and society. It produces *AgeInfo* CD-ROM which contains three extensive international databases on the subject of older age: bibliographic, organisations within the field and a calendar of events. This is updated quarterly and is available on subscription. The Centre's reference library is available, by appointment, to anyone with an interest in the field. A range of reference publications are produced including various directories and bibliographies, *Old Age: A Register of Social Research* and *New Literature on Old Age* (issued six times a year).

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The Society's main role is to provide media for the exchange of information and ideas in the form of conferences, seminars and publications. The annual conference held in a different location each September is the main event. It includes plenary sessions and workshops on various themes to provide for the wide range of interests represented in the Society. Other meetings are arranged, some in conjunction with other societies such as the British Geriatrics Society and the British Society for Research on Ageing. Most meetings are national but local groups of the Society arrange programmes of evening meetings for local members. BSG publishes a quarterly journal, *Generations Review*, and has commissioned two textbooks in social gerontology and several thematic collections, primarily conference proceedings.

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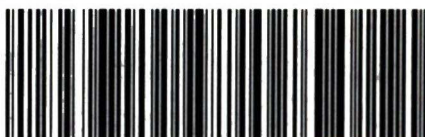
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