



The International Society of Paediatric Surgical Oncology

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About IPSO

IPSO is an international society of surgeons who specialise in the surgical care of children with cancer. IPSO is a truly global organisation, with an expanding membership from all parts of the world. At the last count 50 countries were represented. Membership is open to all surgeons who have a demonstrable commitment to paediatric surgical oncology, and the society is always keen to attract new members.

IPSO Mission Statement

- To further the science and art of the surgical management of children and young adults with cancer, striving to set a worldwide of excellence.
- To provide an educational forum for surgeons who treat children and young adults with cancer.
- To ensure that each child and young adult with cancer has access to state of the art surgical management, and to encourage global dissemination of best practice, including to parts of the world where IPSO does not have representation.
- To promote and assist joint projects with other professional organisations, such as co-operative clinical trials, in order to improve the care and outcome of children and young adults with cancer.
- To advocate for appropriate palliative care strategies and long term follow up for children and young adults with cancer.

Membership Benefits

Members of the society enjoy the following benefits:

- Reduced Annual Meeting registration fee
- Access to IPSO scholarship
- Access to exclusive members' area on IPSO website
- Newsletter (bi-annual)
- Society news & email announcements
- Right to vote on-line for IPSO officers and policy changes
- Educational programs sponsored by IPSO
- Use of the IPSO Facebook page
- Access to SOSIDO a weekly listing of newly published pediatric oncology publications
- Access to IPSO membership directory
- Access to past meeting presentations

Annual Meeting

IPSO meets once a year in conjunction with our affiliated organisation SIOP (The International Society of Paediatric Oncology), and has regular joint meetings with other international organisations who represent specialist children's surgery. IPSO members can benefit from reduced registration rates to attend the meeting. Participation from pediatric surgeons around the world is encouraged. Meeting details can be found on the IPSO website www.ipsosurgeons.org.

There is also the opportunity for all members to attend the Annual IPSO Dinner during this occasion.

Pre-meeting Education Day

Each year IPSO holds an pre-meeting education day just before the annual congress. The day is set up by the local IPSO organiser, and the content is intended to meet the particular demands of the local paediatric surgical oncological community. The day is aimed at both trainees and experienced surgeons, and is of high educational value for all paediatric surgical oncologists.

IPSO Problem Case Session

The Annual Meeting also always includes a problem case session. Over the years this has proved to be one of the most interesting and stimulating sessions at the SIOP/IPSO congress, and is usually attended by oncologists as well as the surgical delegates. Please remember this session when you come across difficult or challenging cases during the year. There should be time for cases submitted in advance as well as current problem cases which delegates would like to bring to the meeting without prior notification.



IPSO Scholarship

IPSO is offering one scholarship to help a young surgeon to attend the Annual Meeting. Please visit our website for regular updates and applications details.

Eligibility:

To be considered for this scholarship the applicant must be:

- 40 years or younger
- come from a low income or low-middle income country (based on World Bank list)
- provide a letter from the Head of Department confirming his/her surgical status and stating that the applicant is not receiving other financial support to attend the Congress
- must have his/her abstract accepted for oral presentation at the Annual Congress
- A photocopy of their passport to confirm personal details

The scholarship includes:

- Annual Meeting registration
- Ticket for the Annual Dinner
- Up to €1500 towards travel, accommodation & subsistence

Kindly visit our website for more detailed information, guidelines and application process

Membership Categories & Fees

• Regular member - €80

Members may be Paediatric Surgeons, or specialists in other surgical disciplines who have significant activity in the field of children's cancer.

• Associate member - €80

Surgeons who are not specifically committed to paediatric oncology, but would like to take advantage of the benefits of the organisation, and non-surgical specialists who have a role in the provision of surgical care to children with cancer.

Membership Application Process

Applicants need to upload their CV and provide the name of two supporting members on our online membership registration platform. Applications are approved by the IPSO Secretary.

Kindly visit our website for more detailed information, application process and payment options.

Contact us

IPSO Secretariat

For all enquiries about IPSO please email our secretary at: secretary@ipsosurgeons.org