



IDSOG

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NEWSLETTER



Message from the President

Dear IDSOG Members,

Happy Spring!! We are gearing up for another fantastic annual meeting. **I warmly invite you to attend our annual meeting on August 2-4 in Philadelphia.** We are pleased to announce Dr. Heather Watts, a former IDSOG president, as our Presidential Speaker. Dr. Linda Eckert and the Program Committee have a fantastic program planned. We are finalizing our sponsored Round Tables now expanded to include lunch options as well. Many thanks to Linda Eckert and Phil Heine for spearheading this effort. If you have any industry contacts interested in sponsorship please have them visit our website for a prospectus.



Our Membership Committee led by Dr. Kimberly Fortner has been hard at work soliciting new membership applications. ***I am pleased to welcome new members Drs. Kristina Adams Waldorf, Catherine Eppes, William Geisler, Maria Pyra, and Liang-Chun (Mark) Wang!*** New members are the life blood of our society so please invite your colleagues to join.

I look forward to seeing you in August!

Sincerely,

Carolyn Gardella, MD, MPH
President, IDSOG

Message from the Program Chair

Dear IDSOG Members,

With the help of the Program Committee, I am thrilled with the plans

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Dues Reminder!



Don't forget to pay your 2018 membership dues!

Submit payment by one of the following options:

[Log-in online](#)
to submit payment.

Phone IDSOG Staff at
(312) 676-3928.

Email payment information to
idsog@idsog.org

Mail a check to IDSOG
Headquarters, 230 W. Monroe
St., Suite 710, Chicago, IL
60606.



2018 Program Committee

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IDSOG Mission Statement

The Infectious Diseases
Society for Obstetrics and
Gynecology (IDSOG) is
committed to scientific
exchange, education and
leadership in infectious
diseases in women.

IDSOG Board Nominations Open

IDSOG is asking its
membership to put forth their
name for consideration to join
the 2018-2020 IDSOG
Council. **Nominations will be
open now through Monday,
July 2 at 12:00 p.m. CT.**

IDSOG is seeking
nominations for three (3)
vacancies on the IDSOG
Council:

for the 2018 IDSOG Annual Meeting, to be held
August 2-4, 2018 at the Doubletree by Hilton
in Philadelphia. We have received a large
number of high quality abstracts this year
which will continue the IDSOG tradition of
presenting new and cutting edge science while
also providing our members and guests
significant networking opportunities.



In addition to the abstract presentations and
the Presidential speaker highlighted by Dr.
Gardella, we are pleased to have 3 speakers
who approach infectious diseases from three
different specialty areas. **Dr. Michal Elovitz**, from University of
Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Department of Obstetrics and
Gynecology, will be sharing her work on preterm birth and infection.
Dr. Bennett Lorber, from Temple University, Department of
Medicine, will talk about "Are All Diseases Infectious?" offering a
perspective from decades of working in Infectious Diseases. **Dr. Flor
Munoz-Rivas**, from Baylor University Department of Pediatrics will
update us on her research looking at "Beyond Pregnancy- a look at
ZIKA". We are thrilled to have this outstanding group of speakers
offering their insights and knowledge from diverse perspectives

We welcome and congratulate this year's trainee scholar awards and
hope to see many of our past awardees at the meeting also. Your
presence continues to add a palpable energy to our organization.

On behalf of the Program Committee, I look forward to celebrating
IDSOG's tradition of scientific excellence, leadership, and
camaraderie with you this August.

Sincerely,

Linda Eckert, MD
2018 Program Chair, IDSOG

2018 Annual Meeting

Meeting Details

The 45th IDSOG Annual Meeting will continue the Society's tradition
of great scientific and social programming. This year's meeting will be
held August 2-4 at The DoubleTree by Hilton Philadelphia City Center
in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



A [preliminary schedule of events](#) is available; however, the full
schedule of events will be made available after the abstract

- Treasurer
- Member-at-Large (2 vacancies)

If you are interested in serving, please submit your interest along with the items listed below to idsog@idsog.org no later than 12:00 pm CT on Monday, July 2.

- Current CV or 1-page Biosketch
- Professional Headshot

About IDSOG

Activities of the Society are conducted for the advancement and promulgation of knowledge in infectious diseases, for improvements in women's health care, and for the facilitation of personal and collaborative relationships among investigators in infectious diseases related to women's health care.

confirmations have been received. Please continue to check the website for updates on the programming for this conference.

Registration

You may [register online](#) using a credit card and receive immediate confirmation via email. (If you are a visitor and not a registered user, i.e. nonmember, please use the New Visitor Registration link. **Note: all members are registered users**).

Registration fees increase after **July 6, 2018**

Housing

A block of rooms for the Annual Meeting has been reserved at The DoubleTree by Hilton. Rooms are available on a first-come, first-served basis at a special room rate of **\$199** per night (plus state and local taxes) for single or double occupancy. This rate is guaranteed through **Thursday, July 5**. To make your reservation, please contact reservations directly at (800) 222-8733, or [book online](#). Reference the "IDSOG Annual Meeting" to receive the special group rate.

Travel

Air Travel: The closest airport is the Philadelphia International Airport (PHL) located 9 miles (a 20 minute drive) from the DoubleTree by Hilton.

Rental cars are available at a discounted price through Hertz Rent-A-Car. These rates will extend from August 3-19, 2017. Reservations may be placed through the Hertz Meeting Sales Desk at (800) 654-2240 or (405) 749-4434. Please reference CV # 022Q8931 when making your reservations to guarantee the group discount. (Subject to availability). Driving directions to/from the hotel are available on the [hotel website](#).

Things to Do

Explore the variety of activities to do in the city of Brotherly Love by visiting any of the links below:

- [Discover Philadelphia](#)
- [Discover Philadelphia - Family Friendly](#)

Weather

The weather in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania during August is typically warm during the day with average highs in the upper-80s and cooler at night in the low-70s. Stay updated on the current weather [online](#).



