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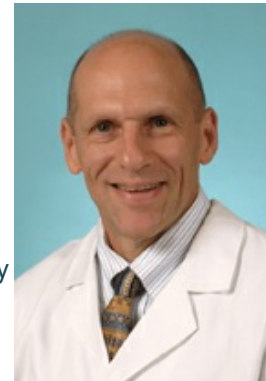
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Message from the President

Dear IDSOG Members,

It has been an honor to serve as the IDSOG President over the course of the last two years. It has been a relatively smooth transition to our new administrative support, and I believe we can look forward to a healthy and productive society for many years.



In early January the Council gathered for an all-day intensive strategic planning session to streamline the Society's goals and objectives for the coming years. It has been my goal as President to grow our society with new, young, energetic members, which is now a major element of our strategic plan. Because of this, I call on each member to consider inviting your colleagues to join IDSOG and attend the meeting this August. I think they will find, as I did, an outstanding group of accomplished professionals, many of who serve as mentors to junior faculty and trainees. Please see the strategic planning section of this newsletter below for additional details regarding the outcome of our meeting.

It is my pleasure to extend an invitation to attend the 2014 IDSOG Annual Meeting, being held August 7-9, 2014 at the Stowe Mountain Lodge in Stowe, Vermont. I am extremely pleased with the program development, and would like to pay special thanks to this year's Program Chair, Dr. Carolyn Gardella, and the rest of the Program Committee for all of their efforts. The meeting will once again prove to be an informative and

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Contact idsog@idsog.org
for more information.

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PhD

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educational success. The clinical relevance, attention to treatment aspects of infectious diseases and their impact on our patients, and mentorship for young investigators will lead to a great program. Our Presidential Speaker this year is well known to all IDSOG members. I could think of no better Presidential Speaker than our own Sharon Hillier. I am always thrilled to hear Sharon speak, and I know we will all enjoy Dr. Hillier's presentation.

As always, the beautiful venue of this meeting encourages us to share good times with our families, friends, and colleagues. Visit the Annual Meeting section of this newsletter below for more information on registration, housing, and logistics.

I look forward to seeing you all in August!

Best regards,



Jeffrey F. Peipert, MD, PhD

Robert J. Terry Professor and Vice Chair of Clinical Research
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology
President, IDSOG

2014 Annual Meeting

Meeting Details

The 41st IDSOG Annual Meeting will continue the Society's tradition of great scientific and social programming. This year's meeting will be held August 7-9, 2014 at the Stowe Mountain Lodge in Stowe, Vermont.



A [preliminary schedule of events](#) is available; however, the full schedule of events will be made available after the abstract confirmations have been received in early June. Please continue to check the website for updates on the programming for this conference.

Registration

You may complete your registration in one of three ways:



2014 Program Committee

Carolyn Gardella, MD, MPH, Chair
Natali Aziz, MD, MS
Jason Bell, MD, MPH, MS
Susan Cu-Uvin, MD
Wendy Lazenby, MD, MSCR
Paul Nyirjesy, MD



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.



About IDSOG

Activities of the Society are conducted for the advancement

1. [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 to complete your registration online. If you are a member but have not yet logged into this system, your username is your email address and password is Password1) or,
2. Fax the [registration form](#) with your credit card information to (312) 235-4059, or
3. Mail the [registration form](#) with your credit card information or make a check payable to the Infectious Diseases Society for Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Housing

A block of rooms for the Annual Meeting has been reserved at the Stowe Mountain Lodge (7412 Mountain Road, Stowe, VT 05672). Rooms are available on a first-come, first-served basis at a special room rate of \$249 per night (plus state and local taxes) for single or double occupancy. This rate is guaranteed through **Tuesday, July 1, 2014**. To make your reservation, please contact reservations directly at (802) 253-3560 and reference the "IDSOG Annual Meeting" to receive the special group rate indicated above. All housing cancellations need to be made 7 days prior to arrival, or the one night's room and tax deposit will be forfeited.

Travel

Air Travel: IDSOG's official travel agent is Gant Travel Management, available toll-free at 1-800/621-1083 (1-630/227-3873, outside US/Canada). Gant is available 8:00am - 5:00pm CST, Monday through Friday. A \$25 service fee is issued per airline ticket.

Ground Transportation: The Stowe Mountain Lodge is located 45 minutes from the Burlington International Airport (BTV). Taxi fare to/from the hotel will cost approximately \$85 each way. Driving directions to/from the hotel are available on the [hotel website](#). Please call the Lodge at (802) 253-3560 to arrange for private airport transfer services.

Rental cars are available at a discounted price through Hertz Rent-A-Car. These rates will extend from August 1-16, 2014. Reservations may be placed through the Hertz Meeting Sales Desk at 1-800/654-2240. Please reference CV# o4XN0003 when making your reservations to guarantee the group discount. (Subject to availability).

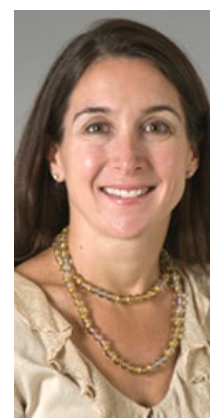
Weather

The weather in Stowe during August is typically comfortable during the day with average highs in the mid-60s and cool at night with lows in the mid-50s. Stay updated on the current weather [online](#).

Message from the Program Chair

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.

With the help of the Program Committee, I am thrilled with the plans for the 2014 IDSOG Annual Meeting, to be held August 7-9, 2014 at the Stowe Mountain Lodge in Stowe, Vermont.



This year's meeting marks the 41st anniversary of IDSOG. As is tradition, the Scientific Program promises to be fantastic. The quality of the abstracts submitted was superb and we are excited to have lined up innovative, expert speakers for the plenary sessions.

We welcome this year's trainee scholar awardees to the meeting with sincere appreciation to the ABOG-EF for awarding IDSOG this opportunity. Special thanks to Dr. Rich Beigi for spearheading this important program.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carolyn Gardella'.

Carolyn Gardella, MD, MPH
2014 Program Chair, IDSOG

IDSOG Strategic Plan

The current IDSOG Council gathered in January to formulate a 3-year strategic plan to set specific and measurable goals for the Society. [Review the full strategic plan](#) at your convenience, and below are some of the highlights.



Our priorities over the next three years consist of goals regarding membership, finance, communications, and governance. The top three priorities that are currently underway include the following:

- Design and launch a legacy development program
- Grow the net profit of the annual meeting
- Grow the membership by 15% a year over the next 3 years
- Review the bylaws to current and best practices for review at the 2014 Annual Business Meeting.

In addition to identifying these objectives, in addition to others listed on the document reference above, the Council also outlined specific strategies and tactics to assist in accomplishing these goals.

The strategic plan will be addressed during this year's business meeting; however, please feel free to send comments or feedback to idsog@idsog.org.