

International Nursing Group



for Immunodeficiencies

COMMUNICATIONS

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ACHIEVEMENTS 2008-2010

- Continuing development of:
- INGID eJournal
- INGID eNewsletter
- INGID website

ASID

- INGID was represented at the inaugural conference of the African Society for Immune Deficiencies in Casablanca (ASID) in 2008 by Gaby Strotmann and Peter Vickers, who each presented at the conference and ran workshops in a specialist hospital.

NEW – CHARITY STATUS

- After many years, enquiries are being made regarding turning INGID into a charity, regulated in England and Wales.
- All the work has now been done, but the final decision as to whether we apply for charity status depends upon you, the members.

WHY?

- We would be eligible for a share of the monies from any joint ESID, IPOPI and INGID initiatives
- We would be better able to request sponsorship as a registered charity.
- We would be able to fundraise.
- Being a charity would raise our profile, not only amongst nurses and other healthcare workers, but also amongst the general public.

CHANGES?

- There will be two Boards - namely the INGID Executive Board (as now) and the Board of Trustees.
- The charity will be registered in England and Wales so a majority of Trustees would have to live there.
- Accounts would be audited annually.
- We would have a postal address in England or Wales.
- Otherwise, we will carry on as we are now.

WHAT NEXT?

- If we apply to become a charity, there is no going back.
- If we do go forward, then we will finish filling in the forms, organise the trustees, and submit the application form to the Charity Commissioners in London.
- Keep our fingers crossed!