FIDSSSA
Infectious Diseases Society of Southern Africa
The South African Society of Clinical Microbiology
South African Society of Travel Medicine
Southern African Society of Paediatric Infectious Diseases
Infection Control Society of Southern Africa
Sexually Transmitted Diseases Society of Southern Africa
Activities

- Website: [http://www.fidssa.co.za](http://www.fidssa.co.za)
- Society Journal
- Biannual conference
- Guidelines
- Regional quarterly ID meetings
- Technical support to members
Perspectives

• Strong base for advocacy
• Supposed NDOH shift towards focusing on IPC
• Problems with educating HCPs
  – ‘Preaching to the converted’ or lack of priority
  – Short half-life
  – Need for constant positive re-inforcement
• Need for dedicated project leaders on the ground