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# FIDSSA



**Infectious Diseases  
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Southern Africa**



**Southern African  
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Infectious Diseases**



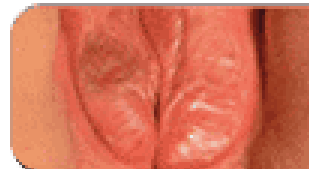
**The South African  
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Diseases Society  
of Southern Africa**

# Activities

- Website: <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