

# Journal of Psychosomatic Obstetrics & Gynecology



The **Journal of Psychosomatic Obstetrics and Gynecology (JPOG)** was founded in 1982 in order to provide a scientific forum for obstetricians, gynaecologists, psychiatrists and psychologists, academic health professionals as well as for all those who are interested in the psychosocial and psychosomatic aspects of women's health. A key aim is to stimulate obstetricians and gynaecologists to pay more attention to this very important facet of their profession.

**JPOG** is published on behalf of the International Society of Psychosomatic Obstetrics and Gynaecology (**ISPÖG**) and brings together information in the field

of psychosomatic medicine related to obstetrics and gynaecology. It covers the many disciplines involved such as gynaecology, gynaecological oncology, nursing and nurse midwifery, obstetrics, perinatology, psychiatry, psychology and reproductive endocrinology. It therefore publishes clinical and basic information of multidisciplinary interest.

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**ISPOG** is a lively world-wide organization, where professionals working in the field of Obstetrics and Gynaecology meet each other. It is a platform for mutual understanding, science, and education. At present, 18 National Societies are members of **ISPOG** and several countries are working on developing their own National Society in order to join **ISPOG**.

The main purpose of **ISPOG** is to join together groups and individuals in an international organisation in order to achieve the following objectives:

## Current Objectives:

1. to promote the study of psychobiological and psychosocial, ethical and cross-cultural problems in the fields of obstetrics and gynaecology, women's health and reproductive health.
2. to promote education and training in the management of the problems in psychosomatic obstetrics and gynaecology
3. to encourage the creation of national societies of psychosomatic obstetrics and gynaecology which will promote research, education and training at the national level.
4. to promote and facilitate the dissemination of new information in these fields by organising international congresses and through the official **ISPOG** publication, the Journal of Psychosomatic Obstetrics and Gynecology.

**ISPOG** serves as a platform for keeping in touch with the National Societies and with individual members. Members of National Societies are encouraged to conduct professional forums and conferences.

**ISPOG** undertakes knowledge exchange, research projects, guideline development and educational initiatives. A Web-based teaching program, developed by **ISPOG** members, will enable further education. Members will be able to download courses and lectures on topics relevant to the **ISPOG** objectives.

## ISPOG Focus

In the coming years, **ISPOG** intends to focus attention on the following subjects:

- consequences of unsafe abortion
- safe motherhood and improving perinatal mental health
- sexual health and female sexuality
- cultural aspects and health consequences of female genital mutilation/cutting and female genital cosmetic surgery
- violence against women and
- improving interdisciplinary collaboration and health professional-patient communication. This is an important topic for the health professional because it helps to improve professional satisfaction and decrease the likelihood of litigation.

**ISPOG** maintains close collaboration with the Journal of Psychosomatic Obstetrics and Gynecology, which is the official **ISPOG** Journal. **JPOG** is an important channel for dissemination of high quality scientific papers on psychosomatic obstetrics and gynaecology. **ISPOG** promotes subscription to the **JPOG**. A reduced subscription fee for online access to **JPOG** is available to members of **ISPOG**.

**Join ISPOG!** In different countries and regions, needs will be different for patients and also for their doctors and midwives. Therefore, it is a challenge to meet each other, speak to each other, understand each other and help each other. Collegial communication fosters patient wellbeing.

**ISPOG** is an organization of volunteers, based on independent National Societies. If you are a professional or clinical researcher in the field of obstetrics and gynaecology, feel very welcome to join us. Please contact our Secretary General in case there is not a National Member Society in your country. **E: [admin@ispog.org](mailto:admin@ispog.org)**