

It is my great honour to be elected the President of the ISPD. The ISPD has been blooming under the presidency of the fathers of PD. In the last two years, under the leadership of Prof. Raymond Krediet, our society has moved further forward to make our official journal, Peritoneal Dialysis International, accessible on-line. This will help advancing the research and education in PD.

What are the main working targets of the ISPD in the coming year? I have thought of several areas, including:

- Enhancing education for nephrologists, fellows, nurses, and patients
- Working together with other societies, both international or national, to extend PD raining to different parts of the world
- Enhancing communication with our members – especially to identify and meet the needs of our members
- Identifying the special problems and needs in different regions of the world and developing strategies to overcome them
- Expanding membership of the Society, and readership of the Peritoneal Dialysis International

The followings are some of the already established work targets:

- To enhance the functions of different regional chapter – the Asian and North American Chapters to establish the Latin America Chapter, in the joint meeting with the North American Chapter, 1-3 June, 2007, Miami
- To organize PD courses in other international nephrology congresses, like the coming World Congress of Nephrology in Rio De Janeiro in April 2007
- To improve the ISPD website
- To update the standards and guidelines of PD practices regularly

The ISPD is a community. We need to work together. If you have any opinion or suggestion related to the Society, please contact me or any council members of your region.

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