

Trainees and Residents Special Interest Group

Bylaws

The aims of the IHS Juniors Special Interest Group (SIG) are to:

- promote IHS to scientific and clinical trainees in the headache field
- ensure that it meets their needs and remains relevant to their interests and professional development
- find and promote ways in which trainees may contribute to the objectives and activities of IHS.

The rules of the IHS for SIG apply also to the Juniors SIG with the following additions:

There is no age limit or other criteria for group members, but members must have trainee or resident status and be junior IHS members.

The Juniors SIG will have a maximum of 12 members including one chair.

The Juniors SIG will have a General Meeting during the International Headache Congresses (i.e., every two years), which will be open to all junior IHS members.

Members of the Juniors SIG are elected by all IHS junior members. Six members are elected to 4-year terms of office by the members one month before the General Meeting of the Juniors SIG. Voting will be carried out through an internet-based voting system.

Any junior IHS member can nominate himself or herself for vacancies in the SIG. Candidates are required to provide a letter of motivation for joining the SIG, a CV, and a letter of recommendation from two IHS members. Candidates should state which country they wish to represent in the SIG. Candidates may represent a country where they are currently working or their country of origin. No two members can represent the same country in the SIG.

Two seats in the SIG are reserved for members from developing countries according to the IHS definition of developing countries.

Members may serve for a maximum of 4 years. Members must leave the SIG if they no longer fulfil the requirements for IHS junior membership status.

A Chair, usually the member receiving most of the votes, will be appointed by the members of the Juniors SIG. The Chair is elected for a 2-year term with the possibility of being re-elected for additional 2 years. Members who have already served 4 years in the SIG can be elected for a 2-year term as Chair, but cannot be re-elected.

One member of the Juniors SIG (usually the chair) will be invited to join the meetings of the IHS Board of Trustees at the discretion of the Board. One member of the Juniors SIG will be appointed member of the Education Standing Committee.

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