

Charter of the

INTERNATIONAL PEDIATRIC STROKE ORGANIZATION

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Introduction:

The International Pediatric Stroke Organization (IPSO) incorporated as a non-profit organization (501c3) in Delaware, NJ, USA, on February 18, 2019. The IPSO, Inc., bylaws establish a legal Board of Directors (BoD) for the corporation. The non-binding IPSO charter and terms of reference supplement the legally binding bylaws of IPSO, Inc., and establishes the IPSO membership and organizational structure, governance, and policies.

Article I: Mission & Vision

Our mission is to improve the lives of children with cerebrovascular disease worldwide through research, education, clinical care, and advocacy.

Our vision is a world in which international, multidisciplinary collaborations advance the understanding, care, and outcomes of childhood cerebrovascular disease.

Article II: Strategic Priorities

- **SP1.** Develop, implement and grow an international multi-disciplinary membership program for health science professionals committed to children with cerebrovascular disease.
 - Goal 1: Develop and maintain a robust IPSO website that includes on-line mechanisms for membership enrollment, conference registration, abstract submission, and online fund-raising.
 - Goal 2: Achieve and maintain an international and multi-disciplinary membership of professionals committed to cerebrovascular disease.

- **SP2.** Develop and implement a suite of educational and scientific programming activities targeting international health science professionals and affected lay public/parents.
 - Goal 1: Design and host high-impact international conferences with both scientific and professional education components. The scientific component will include abstract submission and research presentations, and will appeal primarily to pediatric stroke investigators worldwide. The professional education component will include symposiums

and training sessions that will be designed to appeal to health professionals of multiple disciplines.

- Goal 2: Establish an education committee; develop professional and lay educational materials and make them available for viewing/download on the IPSO website.
- **SP3:** Identify, facilitate, and support existing and new collaborative research initiatives.
 - Goal 1: Facilitate/synchronize investigator efforts to design collaborative clinical studies/trials, and successfully compete for high impact research funding.
 - Goal 2: Support the International Pediatric Stroke Study (IPSS) and assist investigators wishing to leverage the IPSS infrastructure to run multi-center studies.
 - Goal 2: Establish partnerships with other non-profit organizations with overlapping missions.
- **SP4.** Develop and launch a pediatric stroke awareness campaign for the lay public with a focus on parents of children <19 years of age.
 - Goal: Develop a social media presence (e.g., Facebook, Twitter) with the aims of raising awareness and educating the public regarding pediatric stroke.
- **SP5:** Create an advocacy campaign aimed at preventing stroke in at-risk children, and improving the outcomes of pediatric stroke survivors
 - Goal: Engage with parents of pediatric stroke survivors and existing pediatric stroke family organizations to set specific advocacy priorities and develop an advocacy plan.
- **SP6.** To operate the society in a financially stable environment with adequate funding to support the IPSO strategic priorities and accomplish associated goals.
 - Goal 1: Become financially sustainable (revenue-positive) with a diverse funding portfolio: membership dues, registration fees, exhibitor fees, corporate sponsorship, philanthropy, and research grants
 - Goal 2: Identify opportunities for collaborative fund-raising with partner non-profit organizations.
- **SP7.** To develop IPSO operational infrastructure policies and procedures, including Board, Committee and Operational structures
 - Goal: To develop and maintain a charter, terms of reference document, and other written policies and procedures that complement the IPSO 501c3 bylaws and existing IPSS publications and ancillary study policies.