

**Report of Health SIRT  
IASSID Council Meeting  
August 1 and 2, 2006**

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**Summary of Past Year Activities**

The SIRT held a major conference on Health Issues hosted and funded by The Centre for Disability Health Victoria and held in Melbourne Australia. This was a great success and consolidated the position of the SIRT as a leading player in disability Health.

The SIRT published a Key report into the disparity in health experienced by people with an intellectual disability:

Scheepers M, Kerr M, O'Hara D, Bainbridge D, Cooper S-A, Davis R, Fujiura G, Heller T, Holland A, Krahn G, Lennox N, Meaney J & Wehmeyer M (2005) Reducing health disparity in people with an intellectual disability: A report from Health Issues Special Interest Research Group of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual Disabilities. *J of Policy & Practice in Intellectual Disabilities*, 2(3/4), 249-55.

The SIRT continues to produce regular newsletters and have teleconferences of the board

**Plans for Upcoming Year**

The SIRT will hold a joint roundtable on medical student education with MAMH at the Maastricht meeting

The SIRT will hold a business meeting in Maastricht

SIRT members are developing Guidelines for the management of epilepsy and other guidelines have been mooted

Initial plans are in place for a SIRT conference to be held at Monash University premises in Tuscany in 2007 on the theme of standards and guidelines for Intellectual disability health

**Financial statement**

**IASSID SIRG Financial Statement**

Please provide the following information by July 10, 2006

1. Name of SIRG **Health**

2. Name of person completing report

**Vee Prasher**

3. Contact information of person completing report

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4. Statement of Holdings

*Check as appropriate:*

SIRG is holding funds

a. Amount of funds held by SIRG as June 1, 2006 \$3621.00

b. Name and address of bank or institution holding funds NatWest Bank Kings  
Heath Birm

c. Name of person responsible for maintenance and disbursement of funds  
vprasher

d. Name of person(s) responsible for auditing disbursement and receipt of funds  
vprasher/mike kerr

e. Date of last audit of funds (i.e., review of bank statement by responsible SIRG  
officer) jan 2006

SIRG is not holding any funds

IASSID is holding SIRG funds

a. Amount of SIRG funds held by IASSID as of June 1, 2006

5. If the person responsible for managing the funds will change during 2006-07,  
please provide name of the new person responsible for funds

6. Please list sources of income for the SIRG

SIRG dues collected by IASSID and SIRG

Revenue from Roundtable and/or other meetings

Donations

Grants, awards, etc.

### **Issues or Acting Items**

The SIRG would like to aim for a position of no extra fee payable to join a SIRG and for SIRGs to be centrally funded by IASSID

The SIRG would like consideration of more clear cut input into the health aspect of IASSID meetings.

### **Discussion Points for Council**

As above