

Fertility Preservation – SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (FP-SIG)

A Special Interest Group (SIG) provides opportunities for members with common interests to share knowledge and learning opportunities, provide advocacy and act as a reference group for the associated committees.

Membership Eligibility:

- Any person with a particular expertise in the specialty area of fertility preservation
- There is no restriction on total membership

Terms of Reference

Function:

The function of the FP-SIG is to be instrumental in assisting to:

- Provide a forum for similarly interested society members to develop policies and strategies consistent with the vision and objectives of the FP-SIG.
- Encourage and facilitate in-depth analysis and discussion between members of the SIG with a particular interest within the field of fertility preservation.
- Provide an informal environment where ideas can be discussed freely and confidently until they reach a stage of development where they can be shared with the wider membership or the broader community as appropriate.
- Act as a source of expertise in the area of fertility preservation.
- Define best practice in the co-ordination and education of fertility preservation services.
- Recognize areas of research and collaborate to achieve evidence-based outcomes.
- Provide regular clinical updates relating to current fertility preservation issues.
- Improve education of the service through development of the network.

- Provide input to discussions about training of, and continuing education of, fertility preservation in relation to the groups sphere of interest.

Participation in SIG Activity:

- The FP-SIG will operate through face-to-face meetings held annually by the Fertility Society of Australia and/or through the use of any other appropriate means (eg: e-mail).
- The SIG will be led by a Convenor appointed by the group.
- The SIG administrator will take minutes of SIG meeting discussions and conclusions.
- All SIG activity will be disseminated and made available through the link on the FSA website.
- All members of the FSA, willing to abide by these terms of reference are free to participate in any FP-SIG activity and the SIG Convenor will ensure that members of the FSA receive timely information and an invitation to participate in forthcoming FP-SIG activities.
- To participate in the FP-SIG individuals need to offer a particular expert contribution to the area of fertility preservation. Such participants must agree to abide by these terms of reference.
- Participants do so as individuals and any contribution they make will not be interpreted as representing the views of any organisation to which they may be affiliated unless they explicitly indicate otherwise.
- Nothing will be published, beyond SIG participants, which identify an individual's participation, views or contribution without their explicit consent.