



SASPEN – Hot off the press...

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Greetings to all SASPEN members.

Annual fees

The annual fees for 2006 will once again remain the same at R100.00 per year. The deadline for the 2006 annual payment was 28 February, and you will receive your receipts shortly.

CPD

The correct answers to the CPD activities (articles) that appeared in *SAJCN* during 2005 will be placed on the website (www.saspen.com) at the end of March 2006.

Academic programme for 2006

You should all have received invitations to the SASPEN–Nestlé Nutrition lectures on cancer management. This will take place during the period 28 March - 3 April 2006 at various venues around the country.

SASPEN will be hosting a parallel session during the SAGES 2006 Congress in Port Elizabeth on 6 - 9 August 2006. The 'SASPEN day' will be on Tuesday 8 August and we will be addressing the following topics:

- Nutritional modulation and GIT health (focusing on pre- and probiotics and GIT health, and updates on nutritional management of irritable bowel syndrome and inflammatory bowel diseases)

- Nutritional support and transplantation (focusing on nutrition and immunity, nutrition and the post-transplant patient, and drug-nutrient interactions), and
- Nutrition in critical illness (addressing nutritional requirements of the obese ICU patient, micro-nutrients and critical illness, management of electrolyte disturbances in the ICU, and the role of albumin therapy in clinical settings).

We hope to see you there.

For the first time ever, SASPEN has been invited to host a parallel session during the ESPEN Congress, which will take place during October in Istanbul, Turkey. We will be discussing the nutrition situation in South Africa and on the African continent. We will try to arrange for access to the ESPEN website in order to download some of the congress presentations after the event. We will keep you informed.

We are also planning another interactive television (ITV) presentation for the latter part of the year. Watch this space for details.

As always, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or suggestions. We will try to address them as quickly as possible.

Greetings!

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