



The Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society (PIDS) is a professional membership organization. PIDS membership encompasses leaders across the global scientific and public health spectrum, including clinical care, advocacy, academics, government, and the pharmaceutical industry. From fellowship training to continuing medical education, research, regulatory issues and guideline development, PIDS members are the core professionals advocating for the improved health of children with infectious diseases both nationally and around the world, participating in critical public health and medical professional advisory committees that determine the treatment and prevention of infectious diseases, immunization practices in children, and the education of pediatricians.

Here are five things you should know about PIDS:

1. JPIDS

The *Journal of the Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society (JPIDS)* is the official journal of PIDS. The journal is dedicated to perinatal, childhood, and adolescent infectious diseases. The journal, which recently received its first Impact Factor (2.456), publishes original research articles, clinical trial reports, guidelines, and topical reviews, with particular attention to global pediatric communities. Consider publishing your next manuscript in *JPIDS* (<https://academic.oup.com/jpids>).

2. Handbook of Pediatric Infection Prevention and Control

PIDS released the *Handbook of Pediatric Infection Prevention and Control* edited by Kris Bryant and Judy Guzman-Cottrill and published by OUP in April 2019. This handbook discusses topics that pediatric providers must tackle in many settings: ambulatory clinics, emergency departments, community hospitals, and freestanding university children's hospitals. Each chapter opens with a clinical scenario and follows with questions that are frequently raised when a solution is sought. Be the first to receive updated news by contacting the PIDS office at pids@idsociety.org.

3. Pediatric Antibiotic Stewardship Toolkit

A new collection of resources to help clinicians improve the use of antibiotics in children, a critical part of the fight against antibiotic resistance, is now available online. The Pediatric Antibiotic Stewardship Program Toolkit (<https://pids.org/pediatric-asp-toolkit/>), a joint effort of the Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society (PIDS), the American Academy of Pediatrics, and Health Care Without Harm, includes tools and resources for clinicians anywhere children receive medical care, from inpatient to outpatient settings, including urgent care and the emergency room. The easy-to-navigate online toolkit outlines key steps involved in establishing an antibiotic stewardship program. We know you will find this to be a great resource.

4. Vaccine Education Program

[Vaccine Education from Training to Practice](https://pids.org/education-training/vaccine-education-program/), a new educational program designed to provide health care providers with training and resources they need to be strong advocates for childhood immunizations and support high immunization rates. This **free** online educational curriculum and electronic resource is designed for pediatric and family medicine residents, fellows in training, and anyone interested in vaccine education, including practicing physicians, nurse practitioners, pharmacists, and others. The program includes a curriculum created by the Collaboration for Vaccination Education and Research (CoVER) and the latest edition of The Vaccine Handbook App, which contains the full content of "The Vaccine Handbook: A Practical Guide for Clinicians. Visit the website: <https://pids.org/education-training/vaccine-education-program/> for more details.

5. PIDS Foundation

The PIDS Foundation supports scientific and educational activities in the field of pediatric infectious diseases through the Society. The Foundation seeks to provide the resources necessary to generate and disseminate a wide range of information about pediatric infectious diseases, from basic research to the management of children with infections, that may be used by physicians, scientists, epidemiologists, and allied health care professionals. To learn more about the PIDS Foundation, visit the website: (<https://pidsfoundation.org/about.html>).

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