

Down Syndrome Society of South Australia Inc

Thursday 7th February 2008

Dear Members,

Re: World Down Syndrome Congress 2009

We are in the process of seeking expressions of interest from members who would like to attend the World Congress in August 2009, and take advantage of group bookings through the Society.

We have enclosed an expression of interest form for members to be completed and returned by March 1st, 2008. It is important for us to collect this information as soon as possible so we can access the best deals for airfares, accommodation and registrations for the Congress. Group bookings usually only apply for groups of 20 people or more.

Please forward an expression of interest form for each delegate wanting to take advantage of group bookings. A non-refundable deposit of \$1000 per person will be required by the 31st May 2008. Please send a separate form for each person registering.

You must be a financial member of the Society to be eligible:

- ⇒ for group bookings
- ⇒ for other benefits as a representative of the Society
- ⇒ as a cast member of our international dance troupe
- ⇒ part sponsorship (should the Society raise adequate funds)

Once we receive your expression of interest we will be offering an information evening early next year presenting as much detail about costings of airfares, accommodation etc. Confirmation of your expression of interest will be expected ten days after the information evening.

Organising and administering a large delegation is an enormous task and requires a commitment from every delegate to support the Society to achieve the best outcome possible for everyone. Therefore all delegates who join the Society's delegation will be expected to assist with fundraising activities and attend fundraising/information evenings approximately every 8 weeks.

The more successful we are with our fundraising/sponsorship efforts the more likely we are to be able subsidise in the first instance to delegates with Down syndrome and secondly carers.

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It has to be remembered that the Society initially has to raise funds to cover the costs of nominated support staff, who play a key role in ensuring our full participation in the Congress.

We look forward to your response.

Kind regards,

Vicki Brown
Director