AUA Staff Liaison  Jody Donaldson
Chair  Matthew Gettman, MD
Terms of Office  Chair – two-years (renewable once)
                 Members – three-years (renewable once)

Committee Makeup
Members appointed based on expertise. Consists of approximately 12 members plus 2 members that specialize in new surgical technologies. Coding & Reimbursement Chair and Society of Urological Robotic Surgeons representative serve as non-voting members of the committee. In the final year of the chair’s term, a chair-elect may be selected from the members to serve a one-year term prior to ascending to chair. A Urologic Diagnostic Therapeutic Imaging Committee (UDTIC) member serves as non-voting consultant to increase collaboration between UDTIC and LRNST.

Mission Statement
The Committee's educational mission is to evaluate, analyze and disseminate laparoscopic, robotic and new surgical technologic skills efficiently to the urological community. Relevant aspects of surgical simulation and skills assessment will be evaluated and utilized in this process whenever possible.

Committee Meetings
Once a year in person and approximately three other meetings annually by teleconference. All communication is via email correspondence.

Time Commitment
Chair: 30 hours per year
Member: 20 hours per year

Qualifications/ Responsibilities
Chair: The Chair should be a nationally recognized accomplished laparoscopic and robotic urologist who has clinical credibility and has been involved in teaching laparoscopic, robotic and new surgical technology to the urological community. The Chair will oversee the work of the committee in preparation of the annual program and annual report for the meeting at the AUA. In addition, time is spent in a variety of activities throughout the year to address the educational needs with regard to laparoscopic, robotic and new surgical technology of the AUA membership and to assess the training in both the community and in residency programs.

In this regard several activities have been completed over the past few years; these include: development of questionnaires to assess laparoscopic, robotic and new surgical technology in community practice, development of a questionnaire to evaluate minimally invasive urologic surgery training at the resident level, creation of manuals and an online curriculum on laparoscopic, robotic and new surgical technology training for residents in training, and creation of AUA courses specifically in the area of teaching “advanced” skills in minimally invasive urologic surgery as well as standard operating practices documents for Robotic Surgery and for Live Surgery.
Members: Members should have had extensive experience in laparoscopic and/or robotic surgery and/or new surgical technology. Academic members of this committee should have participated in laparoscopic, robotic and new surgical technology courses. It would be preferable if these individuals have also served as course directors, including AUA or university sponsored educational activities in these areas of minimally invasive urologic surgery. Members will contribute to the work of the committee in preparation of the annual program and annual report for the meeting at the AUA. In addition, time is spent in a variety of activities throughout the year to address the educational needs with regard to laparoscopic, robotic and new surgical technology of the AUA membership and to assess the training for both community urologists and resident training programs.

Recent Accomplishments (2016)

- **Robotic Surgery Videos** – Created new beginner videos for Robotic Partial Nephrectomy and Robotic Radical Prostatectomy to be included in the Online Urologic Robotic Surgery Course.
- **Robotic Surgery SOP Revisions** – At the request of The Board, the LRNST Committee incorporated the policy statement on the *Delineation of Privileges for Laparoscopic Urologic Procedures* into the *Urologic Robotic Surgery Standard Operating Procedure*.
- **FUSE Course** – Developed a new hands-on FUSE course to be held at the AUA2017.
- **Focal Therapy Course** – Developed a new didactic instructional course on Focal Therapy to be held at the AUA2017.
- **Surgical Management of BPH Course** – Developed a hands-on course for residents on Surgical Management of BPH.