AUA Staff Liaison	Raymond Fang, MSc, MASc
Chair	Danil Makarov, MD
Terms of Office	Members serve three-year terms (renewable once) Chair serves a three-year term (non-renewable)

Committee Makeup

The Chair is selected by the AUA President based upon the recommendation of the Board of Directors and the Science and Quality Council. The committee also consists of approximately 12 members recommended based upon required expertise with consideration given to geographic representation and practice diversity. In addition, the Chair of the Science and Quality Council serves as ex-officio (non-voting) members of the committee.

Mission Statement

The Data Committee is instrumental in advancing AUA's data agenda and collection strategy, and identifying and prioritizing data and research topics, initiatives and projects. In collaboration with AUA staff, the effectiveness and value of urologic procedures, interventions and practices will be researched and documented in order to improve the practice and profession of urology, patient outcomes and public health. These data and research efforts will help protect the specialty; provide a base for comparative effectiveness research; provide an avenue for certification; improve the quality of urologic care; assess the needs for educational objectives; and develop practice patterns for AUA members.

Committee Meetings

The committee meets twice per year; once in the Spring and once in the Fall at AUA Headquarters. There is email correspondence throughout the year.

Time Commitment

Chair: 8-12 hours a week/ approximately 520 hours per year
Member: 30-50 hours per year

Qualifications/ Responsibilities

Chair:

The Chair should have the ability to organize and motivate the committee towards common goals and work objectives, have a strong background in research and data collection, and be able to coordinate the activities of the committee in collaboration with AUA staff. The Chair will oversee the committee's work in collecting data for the AUA's needs as determined by the Committee and shall direct the AUA Board towards an action plan when this research should be utlized to protect the the practice and profession of urology. The Chair also needs to engage and work with other AUA committees and members to determine the data needs of the AUA and shall be in contact with outside organizations who have knowledge of this field.

Members:

Members are technically qualified experts who can positively impact professional community. Members should have health data and research experience and understand their clinical and public health significance.

Recent Accomplishments 2019

- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) approved the AQUA Registry as a Qualified Clinical Data Registry (QCDR) for four years in a row for MIPS reporting.
- By the end of November 2019, data have been integrated into the AQUA Registry from approximately 6.2 million patients with 38.8 million encounter records.
- A feasibility study of generating case logs using AQUA Registry data for ABU certification was successfully conducted. The new automated system can be set up and operated after the final approval from AUA leadership
- Two reports using the AUA Annual Census data were published in 2019, The State of Urology Workforce and Practice in the United States in 2018 and Urology Residents in the United States and Across the Globe: 2016-2018. Census reports on advanced practice providers, urologists across the globe, and researchers are also being developed. Additionally, nine abstracts were either presented at AUA2019 or submitted to AUA2020 while five manuscripts were under development for journal publication.