



**AUA Staff Liaison** Caroline Williams, MS

**Chair** Kenneth A. Mitchell, MPAS, PA-C

**Terms of Office** **Chair:** 3-year term (non-renewable) **Members:** 3-year term (renewable once)

#### **Committee Makeup**

The Advanced Practice Providers (APP) Committee of the Section Secretaries/Membership Council (SS/MC) shall consist of 6 – 8 members and the Chair of the Advanced Practice Providers Committee of the Education Council. When selecting the chair, consideration should be given to alternating between APNs and PAs. Committee members should have an interest in the recruitment and retention of advanced practice providers working in urology.

#### **Mission Statement**

The Committee assesses the current AUA Advanced Practice Provider activities, as well as develops new APP-specific products, programs and services. The Committee also provides the Section Secretaries/ Membership Council with recommendations on expanding and improving the recruitment and retention of AUA APP members.

#### **Objectives**

This committee works closely with the AUA Education Council's Advanced Practice Providers (APP) Committee, ensuring collaboration between the two groups, streamlined initiatives and a maximized use of resources. The goal of the APP Membership Committee is to:

- Help recruit new and retain existing AUA APP members by reviewing the existing dues structure, member benefits, and make recommendations for improvement.
- Collaborate with external organizations (e.g. SUNA, AAPA, UAPA, AANP) in helping to identify additional benefits and services that would be of interest to AUA APP Members.
- Assist with AUA survey planning, needs assessments, and database development.
- Assist with outreach to AUA Sections.
- Participate in AUA Strategic Planning as requested.

#### **Committee Meetings**

The APP Membership Committee members are required to participate in teleconferences approximately 3-4 times per year for 1-1.5 hours per call, one face-to-face meeting at the AUA Annual Meeting of 1 hr in length and possibly attend one face-to-face meeting with the APP Education Committee at the AUA Headquarters. The Chair of this committee is also required to attend meetings of the Section Secretaries/Membership Council (SS/MC) and the APP Education Committee. Members may also participate on SS/MC Committees if requested, to help drive the recruitment and retention for AUA's Advanced Practice Provider membership.

#### **Time Commitment**

**Chair:** Approximately 2 hours per week

**Members:** Approximately 2 hours per month



### Qualifications/ Responsibilities

**Chair:** The APP Membership Committee Chair should be knowledgeable within the area of expertise and in regard to various types of Advanced Practice Provider member products and programs, involved in networking within the field, willing to make meetings and conference calls a priority, and capable of handling projects from beginning to completion, as well as assigning projects. Committee Chair will oversee the committee's progress in the recommendation, review and evaluation of AUA activities for APP/Allied members and non-members.

The Committee Chair will arrange and chair meetings and teleconferences with the assistance of the AUA Staff Liaison, and will communicate with the SS/MC Chair as necessary. The Chair will also serve on the APP Education Committee and participate in their meetings.

The incoming chair should develop an understanding of the responsibilities of the Chair during a one-year training period prior to ascending to serve as chair.

**Members:** Members should be collegial, knowledgeable within their areas of expertise, deadline dependable, involved in networking within the field, willing to make meetings and conference calls a priority, be willing to serve on a sub-committee and promptly produce a requested project. CVs and recommendations regarding potential members will be assessed. Committee members assist in the recommendation, review and evaluation of AUA's dues and benefits structure for this membership category.

### Recent Accomplishments 2017

- 1) **Online Community Launch:** An online community for Advanced Practice Provider (APP) and Allied Health Professional members was launched in February 2017 as a new member benefit. All committee members, as well as some APP Education Committee members are serving as "champions" for the community to spur discussion and engagement. As of 12/1/2017, there are 593 members, 380 discussions, 6 documents in library.
- 2) **Section Engagement:** Following a discussion that took place at the March 2017 Section Secretaries/Membership Council meeting surrounding engagement of APPs at the Section level, a taskforce was formed to look at the issue of Section engagement with APPs and develop recommendations in regards to membership and educational opportunities. Ultimately, the SSMC reviewed the taskforce's report and it was agreed that the AUA would work with the Sections to add an APP Course of Choice to the current Course of Choice program (available in 2019), work with the APP Membership and APP Education Committees to coordinate the development of an APP Speaker's Bureau listing to support APP education programs and support the Sections with regional marketing to APPs about the Section's Annual Meeting APP program.
- 3) **Other:**
  - a. The Committee held four conference calls and one face-to-face meeting at the AUA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA.
  - b. The AUA attended the UAPA Annual Meeting and the SUNA Annual Conference where committee members were present and able to assist with conversations related to AUA membership and programs of interest.