Publications Committee

AUA Staff Liaison     Debbie Polly

Chair                  Victor W. Nitti, MD (2018-2020)

Terms of Office
Chair:  1-year
Members:   Serve ex-officio according to term of editorial position (max. of six years)

Committee Makeup

The Publications Committee shall consist of editors of AUA Publications. Members serve according to
the terms of their editorial position for a maximum of six-years. The Chair is selected from existing
members (excluding the AUA Secretary). The term of the chair is one year and rotates among the
members with no editor serving more than two rotations as chair. The Treasurer and AUA Staff
Editors shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting members (Bylaws Joint Committee AUA and AUAER May
2015).

Committee Voting Members are comprised of the editors of the following publications:
• The Journal of Urology® - editor selected by a search committee appointed by the AUA President
• Urology Practice® - editor selected by a search committee appointed by the AUA President
• AUANews® - editor AUA Secretary
• AUA Update Series – editor approved by the AUA Education Council
• UrologyHealth Extra – UCF Public Education Council Chair
• Urology Core Curriculum – editor AUA Education Council Chair
Invited Guests may be added (e.g., AUA’s Online Content Editor)

Mission Statement
The Publications Committee promotes the highest standards of urological clinical care, research,
education and health policy through coordination of AUA publications.

Statement of Purpose
The Publications Committee is responsible for promoting and monitoring the progress of AUA
publications in achieving goals established by the Board of Directors by identifying ways to optimize
and coordinate strategies across those publications. The Publications Committee also selects
Associate, [Assistant] and Section Editors for specific publications. (AUA and AUAER Bylaws May
2016).

Committee Meetings
The Committee shall meet yearly at the annual meeting of the AUA and shall convene by conference
call at the discretion of the Committee Chair.
Time Commitment

Chair: 15 hours per year
Members: 8 hours per year

Qualifications/Responsibilities

Chair: The chair is also a member of the Education Advisory Group and will be expected to participate periodically on Office of Education conference calls.

Members: Members of this committee will identify ways to promote AUA’s programs across AUA publication and will be responsible for monitoring the progress of these publications in achieving specific goals established by the Board of Directors. Members should be available to serve on search committees for editor positions when requested. In addition, members of this committee will assume the responsibility of the appointments of associate, assistant and section editors of *The Journal of Urology*, *Urology Practice* and *AUA Update Series* based on the respective editor’s recommendations. Members may also serve on search committees. Members should have some knowledge of finance and publications industry, and be computer literate. Members are responsible for reviewing reports (readership, impact factor, technology/print issues, etc.).

Recent Accomplishments 2018-2019

The committee unanimously voted to appoint Dr. Kathleen Kobashi to serve as Associate Editor of *Urology Practice* beginning 2020.

The editor of *The Journal of Urology*® and editor-elect of *Urology Practice* requested permission and received approval from the Committee to solicit review articles from select Update Series lessons to publish in the respective journals after the lessons have been published. Such a request confirms the quality of the content published in the AUA Update Series.