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### Terms of Office

Operates on calendar year (January – December)  
Editor: 3 years (renewable once)  
Associate & Section Editors: 3 years (renewable once)

### Committee Makeup

The *AUANews* Editorial Board shall consist of the Editor, Associate Editors, the Spanish Edition Editor, the Portuguese Edition Editor, and Section Editors.

### Mission/Vision/Purpose

To provide the global membership of the AUA with timely clinical, business, and membership news relevant to the advancement of urology.

### Reporting

The *AUANews* Editor reports to the AUA Board of Directors, who set the overarching strategic goals for the editor. However, the Editorial Board retains oversight of the peer review process and the editorial selection of submissions to be published in *AUANews*, with no input from the Board of Directors.

### Editorial Board Meetings

The Board meets four times per year, once per quarter. The Board will meet in person at the Annual Meeting and by videoconference for the other three meetings.

### Time Commitment

Editor: 6 hours per week  
Associate Editors: 3 hours per week  
Section Editors: 3 hours per week

### Responsibilities

The *AUANews* Editorial Board is responsible for publication content oversight. The Editorial Board assists the Editor in establishing editorial policies and strategies and in managing the peer review process.

**Editor** The Editor directs the publication of *AUANews* and is responsible for its general management. The Editor makes recommendations pertaining to improved dissemination of this member newsletter focused on informing the AUA's membership about important updates in urology. The overarching objective of this position is to oversee the editorial functions and integrity of *AUANews* while implementing publishing innovations that establish the publication as urology's top-read news source. The Editor oversees an editorial board, including Associate Editors and Section Editors, on matters of editorial policy and recommends nominees for all editorial appointments to the journal. The Editor partners with the AUA Publications Department staff to coordinate editorial and operational activities of the journal. The Editors of all of the AUA's scholarly publications



are expected to convene with each other and the Publications Committee to analyze scholarly publishing threats and opportunities, ethical concerns, and diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts.

The Senior Associate Editor, in respect to date of appointment, shall serve as Acting Editor in the absence or incapacity of the Editor.

**Associate Editor**

Associate Editors are selected by the Editor, who will rely on the AUA sections and specialty societies for recommendations. The Editor may opt to have an open nomination process for any available roles, which will be facilitated by Publications Department staff.

**Compliance**

Positions are open to AUA members in good standing. All new members are required to agree to abide by [AUA's Civility Policy](#) when they accept their appointment and agree to annually complete a COI Disclosure Form in accordance with [AUA's COI Disclosure Policy](#). The AUA reserves the right to suspend or remove a member from participation in any AUA activity while the individual is under investigation for a violation of AUA's policies.

**Criteria for Selecting Next Editor**

Openings for the *AUANews* Editor are announced every six years at the webpage [AUAnet.org/AUANewsEditor](http://AUAnet.org/AUANewsEditor). A job description highlighting the qualifications is posted on that site. The next search will begin summer of 2027. The JU Editor is selected by a Board Search Committee.

**Recent Accomplishments (2024)**

- A new vision for *AUANews* was launched that is more responsive to the readers and focused on higher-impact content.
- A strategy meeting held to analyze the results from a summer 2024 readership survey. This information will be used to develop the 2025 editorial calendar.
- *AUANews* also selected a new sales vendor for 2025 and looks forward to the energy and vision they will bring to the publication.