

Advanced Practice Providers (APP) Committee

An Education Council Subcommittee

Terms of Office Chair: 3 years (non-renewable)

Members: 3 years (renewable once)

Committee Makeup

The Committee consists of 12-15 AUA Advanced Practice Provider members (with an equal balance of PAs and APNs) and two urologists who have an interest in non-physician provider education. Members will be appointed to one of the three teams: Member Engagement, Live Education or Online Education. The Chair is selected from existing members and must be an APP (non-urologist). When selecting the next Chair, consideration should be given to alternating between APNs and PAs. Additionally, a representative appointed by the Society of Urologic Nurses & Associates (SUNA) and a representative appointed by the Urological Association of Physician Assistants (UAPA) serve as non-voting members for up to two terms.

Description

Develops educational products, programs, and services for 1) APPs interested in or engaged in urologic practice, 2) urologists that integrate APPs in their care team, and 3) makes recommendations for the recruitment and retention of APP members.

Mission/Vision/Purpose

The Advanced Practice Providers Committee develops AUA educational and membership products, programs, and services for APPs interested in or already engaged in urologic practice, as well as products, programs and services for urologists as to how to best integrate the urology care team, and makes recommendations to the SSMC on expanding and improving recruitment and retention of AUA APP members.

The goals of the APP Committee are to:

- 1) Increase and improve educational opportunities for Advanced Practice Providers to provide better team care to patients.
 - a. Develop APP-specific training tools and programs that will enhance APP urological education and meet the needs of the growing APP membership.
 - b. Ensure these educational tools are readily available to all APPs employed in the field of urology, assuring both the APP and the attending physician that the APP is getting the most up-to-date and relevant training in a variety of formats.
 - c. Help recruit new and retain existing AUA APP members by reviewing the existing dues structure, member benefits, and make recommendations for improvement.
- 2) Collaborate with external organizations to develop educational and membership products and programs for the urologic patient care team.

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Committee Meetings

Members are required to participate in approximately 3 teleconferences annually (two 1hour calls and one 2-3 hour annual strategic planning meeting call). The Chair of this committee is also required to attend meetings of the Education Council. The team leader of the Membership Engagement Team will participate in Section Secretaries Membership Council and Young Urologist Committee Meetings.

Time Commitment

Chair: 18-24 hours annually Member: 12-18 hours annually

Responsibilities

Chair:

The Chair will oversee the committee's progress in the recommendation, review and evaluation of AUA membership and educational activities for Advanced Practice Providers. The Chair will be a member of the Education Council. The Chair will arrange and lead meetings and teleconferences with the assistance of the AUA Staff Liaison and will communicate with the Education Chair as necessary.

Member Engagement Team Lead: The Member Engagement Team Lead will oversee the progress on Member Engagement activities and projects. The Team Lead will work with Member Engagement staff liaison as necessary and attend SSMC meetings to report on APP membership and committee activities.

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 and be willing to serve on a sub-committee and promptly produce a requested project. Committee members will be appointed to one of three teams: 1) Member Engagement, 2) Live Education or 3) Online Education.

Program & Content Responsiblities

Member Engagement Team responsibilites:

- APP of the Year Award
- APP Outreach and Engagement Initiatives

Live Education Team responsibilities:

- 2-Day APP Annual Meeting Program
- Podium Presentation Reviews
- APP Speakers Bureau

Online Education Team responsbilities:

Review and maintenance of APP Core Curriculum modules (currently 18)

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Compliance

Committee positions are open to AUA members in good standing. All new members are required to agree to abide by <u>AUA's Civility Policy</u> when they accept their appointment and agree to annually complete a COI Disclosure Form in accordance with <u>AUA's COI Disclosure Policy</u>. 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 New Members

- 1) Advanced Practice Providers Experience in urologic practice and education. Urologists Experience with integrating APPs into urologic practice.
- 2) Collegial and involved in networking within the field of urologic advanced practice providers Members that maintain membership with the Society of Urologic Nurses & Associates (SUNA), Urological Association of Physician Assistants (UAPA), American Association of Physician Assistants (AAPA) and the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP) are desirable.
- 3) So that the AUA is in compliance with ACCME Standards, Members of Office of Education committees are not permitted to have financial relationships with ineligible companies (formerly commercial interests) that the ACCME would deem to be that of an owner or employee. Owners are defined as individuals who have an ownership interest in a company, except for stockholders of publicly traded companies, or holders of shares through a pension or mutual fund. Employees are defined as individuals hired to work for another person or business (the employer) for compensation and who are subject to the employer's direction as to the details of how to perform the job.

Criteria for Selecting Next Chair

The Chair should be knowledgeable within his/her area of expertise and in regards to various types of educational 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. The Chair is chosen from current or past committee members and selecte by the Education Council Chair.

Recent Accomplishments – 2024

- Provided input into the development of a 2-day APP Course at the AUA2024, with Live Education Team Lead serving as Co-Course Director.
- Reviewed the APP podium presentation submissions to make selections for the AUA2025 APP program.
- Reviewed 3 of the APP Core Curriculum Modules to ensure content to ensure content is up to date.
- Solicited nominations for the APP of the Year Award and selected Vivian Williams, MSN, RN, CPNP as the 2024 APP of the Year.
- Developed consistent presence in AUANews, authoring APP-focused article each month...
- Hosted a career-focused live webinar, designed to provide insights into advancing APP careers at every stage with advice and personal experiences from peers.

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