



**Terms of Office**            Chair: 3 years (non-renewable)  
                                     Members: 3 years (renewable once)  
                                     Non-Voting Resident or Fellow: 2 years (non-renewable)

**Committee Makeup**

The voting members consist of the Chair and approximately fifteen additional members. In making appointments, consideration should be given to both representation from the eight geographical sections as well as the required expertise in subspecialty areas.

The Practice Guidelines Committee also has non-voting members that represent areas related to guideline utilization, consisting of the Science & Quality Council Chair, QIPS Chair, Data Chair, Public Media Chair, Leadership Class representatives, and Residents/Fellows.

**Vision/Mission/Purpose**

The Committee shall recommend specific itemized indications, guidelines, and practice parameters for diagnosis and treatment of various urological conditions or diseases and outline appropriate procedures for subsequent review by the Board of Directors and/or by any other reviewing body that the Board of Directors requests to serve in monitoring this project.

**Committee Meetings**

Full Committee meetings in Fall and Spring with up to two additional meetings in Winter and Summer, as needed. The Chair and Guidelines staff meet twice a month by Zoom.

**Time Commitment**

*Chair:*            10 hours per week (500 hours per year)  
*Member:*        5 hours per month

**Responsibilities**

*Chair:*            The Chair should have a thorough understanding of Guidelines and Clinical Consensus Statements and the process of creating them. Previous service as a member of a panel is preferred. It is the responsibility of the Chair to uphold the standards of guidance document development and represent the Guidelines program in leadership discussions. The Chair will have specific interaction including committee membership (voting member of Science & Quality Council and non-voting member on the Data Committee and Quality Improvement & Patient Safety Committee). The Chair is a compensated position (see contract).

*Members:*        Members will assist the Chair in the development of specific itemized indications, guidelines, and practice parameters for diagnosis and treatment of various urological conditions or diseases and outline appropriate procedures for subsequent review by the Board of Directors and/or by any other reviewing body, as requested by the Board of Directors. Members may be tasked to serve on Guideline or Consensus Panels as representatives of the PGC to ensure compliance with development processes.



### Compliance

Positions on Councils, Committees, Editorial Boards and Practice Guidelines/Consensus Panels are open to AUA members in good standing. All members must agree to abide by *AUA's Committee Policies & Procedures* (see *AUA Participation Terms & Conditions* documents located under My Committees Section of the [myAUA](#) webpage). These documents include the requirement to abide by [AUA's Civility Policy](#) and annually complete a Conflicts of Interest (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 policy violation.

### Criteria for Selecting New Members

- Thorough understanding of Guidelines/Consensus Statements and the process of creating them
- Previous service as a member of a Guideline/Consensus Panel is preferred

### Criteria for Selecting Next Chair

- A Chair-Elect is selected by the Chair to serve a concurrent 3-year term. The Chair-Elect assumes the role of Chair when the sitting Chair's 3-year term is completed.

### Recent Accomplishments - 2025

- The Guidelines Department published four new guidelines in 2025: Genitourinary Syndrome of Menopause: AUA/SUFU/AUGS Guideline; Diagnosis and Management of Male Chronic Pelvic Pain (Chronic Prostatitis/Chronic Pelvic Pain Syndrome and Chronic Scrotal Content Pain): AUA Guideline; Surgical Management of Kidney and Ureteral Stones: AUA Guideline; and Vasectomy: AUA Guideline.
- Two new amendments and one Update Literature Review were also released in 2025: Recurrent Uncomplicated Urinary Tract Infections in Women: AUA/CUA/SUFU Guideline; Microhematuria: AUA/SUFU Guideline; and Evaluation and Treatment of Cryptorchidism.
- The Guidelines Department worked with the Education Department in the continued dissemination of a new Guidelines-at-a-Glance App.
- The Guidelines Department worked with the Office of Education to release multiple plenary sessions and educational courses during the AUA Annual Meeting.
- The Guidelines Department worked with *The Journal of Urology* to release 11 publications related to AUA Guidelines and Amendments as well as additional submissions in *AUANews*.