



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

Committee Makeup

The Committee is comprised of up to 15 members plus the chair. Members are selected based on geographic distribution and expertise in content areas directly relevant to the AUA’s state advocacy priorities (e.g., telemedicine, medical malpractice). The Chair of the Public Policy Council serves as an ex officio member.

Vision/Mission/Purpose

The Committee’s mission is to provide feedback to the Public Policy Council and staff on the continual refinement of the state advocacy agenda and its execution, provide advice and guidance regarding new opportunities for urology’s involvement; create and provide resources to assist in state advocacy; provide content knowledge, expertise, and support to state advocacy efforts when appropriate; communicate with fellow AUA members about issues critical to state advocacy and engage in appropriate action when needed.

Committee Meetings

Attend the Annual Urology Advocacy Summit in Washington, DC, the fall Public Policy Weekend at the AUA headquarters, and participate in the quarterly conference calls or when requested. There is no per diem for committee members. Members will only be reimbursed for expenses, such as transportation and lodging for advocacy events for which they are specifically asked to represent the AUA.

Time Commitment

Chair: 120 hours annually
Member: 60 hours annually

Responsibilities

Chair: Attends the Annual Urology Advocacy Summit in Washington, DC, as well as engages fellow urologists and recruit grassroots physicians to advocate on behalf of the AUA’s legislative agenda and priorities.

Member: Members should have an interest in public policy and understand the role state governments play in regulating medicine. The State Advocacy Committee’s membership will be comprised of physicians representing diverse geographic and political interests. Members are expected to attend the Annual Urology Advocacy Summit in Washington, DC.

Compliance

Positions on Councils, Committees, Editorial Boards and Practice Guidelines 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

- Relationships with state legislators in order to serve as an advocate for urology's interests (or willingness to develop such relationships)
- Experience in recruiting, mentoring and engaging fellow urologists as grassroots physicians to advocate on behalf of the AUA's legislative priorities

Criteria for Selecting Next Chair

- Politically savvy with expertise in health policy
- Knowledge of the U.S. political process and the governing bodies that regulate medicine at the state level
- Ability to leverage existing relationships with legislators at the state level to advocate for urology's interests

Chairs are chosen from current or past committee members and are selected by the Public Policy Chair.

Recent Accomplishments 2025

- Planned and held the 8th Annual Urology Advocacy Summit for 300+ attendees.
- Successfully advocated for laws covering Prostate Cancer Screenings in Virginia, Texas, Alabama, Ohio, and New Jersey.
- Successfully advocated for laws covering Biomarker coverage in Washington, Oregon, Massachusetts, North Carolina, and Ohio.
- Conducted Office visits to Oregon, Texas, and North Carolina to support legislation around biomarker coverage, IVF coverage, PSA no cost-sharing and scope creep.
- Maximized the State Advocacy Grant Program and awarded \$15,000 in approved grants.
- Conducted the 2026-2027 State Advocacy Priorities survey where 300+ domestic AUA members weighed in.
- Developed and recommended to the AUA Board of Directors 2026 - 2027 State Advocacy priorities based on survey data
- Provided 15 written testimonies, 10 oral testimonies, and 4 office visits on topics including (PSA coverage, Prior Authorization, Biomarker coverage, IVF coverage, and MAs placing catheters).