Urologic Diagnostic and Therapeutic Imaging Committee
An Education Council Subcommittee

Chair
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Terms of Office
Chair 2 years (renewable once)
Members 3 years (renewable once)

Committee Makeup
Consists of approximately 11 members who are appointed/renewed based on their expertise, upon recommendation of the committee Chair. The senior most ABU Trustee also serves as a non-voting consultant for a one-year term.

Mission Statement
The Committee's mission is to assess current and future image-based urologic practices, develop educational mechanisms to teach these to the membership, suggest proficiency criteria for their use as well as act as a liaison with the American Board of Urology and other specialty societies on implementation. (AUAER Board approved Oct 2011)

Vision Statement
The work of this committee will:
1) Provide the AUA guidelines committee with suggestions regarding evidence-based indications for the safe and effective use of imaging associated with diagnostic and therapeutic imaging procedures;
2) Provide recommendations to the Office of Education for teaching and maintaining skills associated with existing and future imaging modalities;
3) Assess and respond to socioeconomic and safety consequences of imaging utilization by urologists;
4) Incorporate the interpretation and performance of imaging into urologic training and practice.

Committee Meetings
Two meetings per year: Teleconference and in-person meeting at the AUA Headquarters.

Time Commitment
Chair: Up to 4 hours per week
Member: up to 2 hours per week

Qualifications/Responsibilities
Members must be able to review third party payer requirements. Expertise in imagery modalities and how they are used in a urology practice is required. Members must have an understanding of the difference between accreditation and credentialing and how AUA can work with other organizations in establishing guidelines for urologists.
Recent Accomplishments

- The committee collaborated with the Guidelines Committee to ensure that stone density, as reported by Hounsfield Units on a CT scan, is included in future guidelines pertaining to urinary stones.
- The committee reviewed and approved revisions to the AIUM Training Guidelines for Physicians Who Evaluate and Interpret Urologic Ultrasound Examinations.
- Three Hands-On Ultrasound Courses were offered in 2015 in New Orleans, Charlottesville and at the AUA Headquarters in Linthicum, MD.