



<b>AUA Staff Liaison</b>	Lauren Pak
<b>Chair</b>	David A. Ginsberg, MD
<b>Terms of Office</b>	Chair: 3 years (non-renewable) Members: 3 years (renewable once)

#### **Committee Makeup**

*The voting members consist of the Chair and approximately eleven 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 and the Public Media Chair.*

#### **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 two up to two additional meetings in Winter and Summer to include only PGC voting members. The Chair and guidelines staff meet twice a month by conference call.

#### **Time Commitment**

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

#### **Responsibilities**

*Chair:* The Chair and Members of this Committee should have a thorough understanding of Guidelines and the process of creating them. Previous service as a member of a Guideline Panel is preferred. The Chair will 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, as requested by the Board of Directors. The Chair will have specific interaction including committee membership, as a non-voting member of the Health Policy Council. 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.

**Criteria for Selecting New Members**

- Thorough understanding of Guidelines and the process of creating them
- Previous service as a member of a Guideline 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 2023**

- The Guidelines Department published two new guidelines in 2023: Early Detection of Prostate Cancer: AUA/SUO, and Diagnosis and Management of Non-Metastatic Upper Tract Urothelial Carcinoma: AUA/SUO.
- Five new amendments were also released in 2023: Management of Lower Urinary Tract Symptoms Attributed to Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia, Diagnosis and Treatment of Early-Stage Testicular Cancer, Surgical Treatment of Female Stress Urinary Incontinence (SUI): AUA/SUFU, Advanced Prostate Cancer: AUA/SUO, and Urethral Stricture Disease.
- The Guidelines Department worked with the IS and Marketing Departments to revamp the Guidelines webpage to improve user experience.
- 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 nine publications related to AUA Guidelines, Amendments, and Endorsements.