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CUA Mission: "Providing CPD for Canadian urologists along the career-path continuum"

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The CUA exists to promote the highest standard of urologic care for Canadians and to advance the art and science of urology.



ontinuing professional development (CPD) is an essential component of our urological practices. Increasingly, licensing authorities, in addition to the Royal College, require that physicians acquire and document CPD to maintain certification and licensure. In the past, most of this CPD activity occurred at the CUA Annual Meeting, with members accruing CPD credits for attending educational sessions. For those of us in academic practice and for community urologists close to academic centres, CPD also occurs at Grand Rounds, visiting professor lectures or journal clubs. The CUA has expanded its suite of CPD opportunities for members regardless of their location or practice type.

The Office of Education (OE) was established to help members maintain their competence by providing CPD to update them on current topics in urology. The CPD format is responsive to the geography of our vast country. There is a focus on regional meetings and online learning, minimizing the need to travel long distances. If you have not already done so, I encourage you to visit our website (www.cua.org). In the "Members Only" section (you'll need your password for this section), you will find a vast array of online learning opportunities. In addition, upcoming regional meetings are posted. If you do not have your password or need any help, do not hesitate to contact the helpful folks at our Corporate Office (514-395-0376).

In addition to the OE, *CUAJ* also serves as an important source of ongoing CPD. There are articles and editorials by opinion leaders in Canadian Urology. In addition, new and updated CUA Practice Guidelines are regularly published in the journal.

It would be remiss of me not to emphasize the importance of our Annual Meeting as it relates to CPD. This is still the jewel in the crown of the CUA's offerings and allows the acquisition of CPD in a milieu which facilitates interchange between attendees. It is also an opportunity to socialize and experience the variety of our great country. On that note, our next Annual Meeting is in Vancouver (June 25–28, 2016). Come earn CPD credits and appreciate the relaxed west coast lifestyle. It is a beautiful venue for our 71st Annual Meeting. Hope to see you there!