



Fostering the continued growth of our association

As we approach the historic milestone of our 80th annual meeting in 2025, it's important to remember the significance of this event. The CUA Annual Meeting, a testament to the longevity and prestige of the Canadian urological community, remains the cornerstone for exchanging knowledge and reuniting with colleagues and friends. This tradition connects us and reinforces our shared commitment to urologic care.

We are proud to continue fostering on our association's growth. Not only is the CUA "The Voice of Urology" and all its subspecialties in Canada, with a great international reputation, it has also become a central source of information and education for multidisciplinary audiences. The CUA currently enjoys collaborations with colleagues in medical oncology, radiation oncology, urology nurses of Canada, nurses in oncology, nuclear medicine, and pharmacy, with many others to come.

Our membership is at an all-time high, with over 1700 members, including many of our associate members listed above. Our advocacy efforts have resulted in the highest response rate for our national census, with almost 50% of our members completing the survey. A white paper with suggested maximum safe wait times for urologic

procedures will be published in the *CUAJ* this year and will serve as a tool for our members to advocate on behalf of our patients.

Our patient information brochures have increased in demand, representing the need for clear and concise information. The CUA guidelines are being revamped under a new chair to have a consistent format for GRADE scientific evidence while maintaining relevance and clinical applicability. UROpedia Canada, with its clinically relevant tools and extensive urologic library of accredited programs, continues to see increased usage and downloads.

Our primary objective, according to the 2024 strategic plan, is to continue to focus on membership growth and engagement by providing more effective education and clinical tools for all urologists and other healthcare professionals caring for our patients.

As I prepare to lead our association in the coming year, I want to reassure you of our unwavering commitment to advocacy, education, and clinically relevant research. With a diverse and dedicated board of directors, committee chairs, and our exceptional CEO and staff at the central office, we are well-positioned to increase our support for community urologists and enhance our advocacy efforts.

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