

American Society for Reproductive Medicine

Practice Committee Charter

Committee Purpose

The purpose of the Practice Committee is to promote a culture of evidence-based practice within ASRM and the medical community by developing clinical practice guidelines and committee opinions, that are evidenced-based, centered on issues impacting professional practice in the area of reproductive medicine.

Committee Structure

The Practice Committee is comprised of a Chair and eleven appointed members, including, representatives of each of the five affiliated societies, three at-large members, the ACOG liaison, a representative of the ASRM Executive Committee, a patient/community representative, and a consulting epidemiologist.

For the last year of the current chair's term, a vice-chair will be added to the Committee structure with the intent for them to assume chairpersonship the next year. If the vice-chair is a current committee member, the position made vacant with the move to vice-chairpersonship will be filled with a new member using the usual committee nominations process.

The ASRM Chief Executive Officer and the ASRM Chief Education and Scientific Director serve on the Committee *ex officio*.

The appointment terms of the chair and all committee members shall be three years, renewable once, with one third expiring annually. The term of the vice-chair (when present) and Board representative shall be 1 year (no renewal). The Committee utilizes the expertise of external consultants when necessary.

Committee Functions

- Identifies clinical practice issues that are relevant and important to the field of reproductive medicine.
- Conducts systematic searches of the biomedical literature and evaluates evidence pertaining to clinical procedures in reproductive medicine.
- Creates a process of interaction with other organizations that share concerns in areas related to the practice of reproductive medicine.
- Plans, organizes, directs, and evaluates initiatives to the ASRM members and leadership related to education and implementation of evidence-based clinical practice guidelines
- Develops state-of-the-art opinions on new techniques and their appropriateness for clinical application and on subjects related to clinical management, as necessary.

Meeting Cadence

The Practice Committee meets for a day and a half, twice annually, January and July, via virtual and/or in-person format.

Committee Reporting

The biannual Committee report is disseminated to the Board of Directors each Fall and Spring during the Board of Directors meeting.