

2025-2026 Education and Innovation Committee Charge



Purpose

The Education and Innovation Committee (EIC) is responsible for providing strategic oversight and innovative direction for the SSO's educational offerings.

The committee collaborates with the Society's other committees to help standardize educational offerings and ensure educational offerings address topics that are non-disease specific such as palliative care, leadership, professional development, cancer rehabilitation, etc. The EIC also collaborates with the Disease Site Work Groups (DSWGs) to align best practices and content across all disease sites, while encouraging offerings that are unique to the disease site. The EIC maintains regular communication with the committees planning the SSO Annual Meeting, Advanced Cancer Therapies Conference, Fellows Institute and CGSO Board Review Course to avoid overlap in content creation; however, the committees planning these events maintain oversight over the course content/curriculum.

Responsibilities

- Provide strategic oversight and innovative direction for the SSO's educational offerings.
- Collaborate with SSO Committees to standardize educational offerings.
- Ensure educational offerings address topics that are non-disease specific such as palliative care, rehabilitation, leadership, professional development etc.
- Collaborate with the DSWGs to align best practices and content across all disease sites, while encouraging offerings that are unique to the disease site.

Composition/Appointments

- Chair: 2 years
- Vice-Chair: 2 years
- Up to 9 members: 2 years
- Immediate Past Chair: 1 year
- Board Liaison: 1 year

New members are chosen during the Application for Engagement based on the needs for program planning related to the meeting topics. Vice Chairs are selected from among members who have served on the committee within the past 5 years.

Eligibility	Time Commitment	Staff Liaison
• Current voting SSO member with dues paid for 2025. • Complete Application for Engagement. • Commit to allocating time to effectively participate.	• Multiple virtual meetings per year (approximately monthly). • Additional hours per month to complete committee responsibilities.	Patti Stella pattistella@surgonc.org