THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Rebecca Wynne Van Dyke, M.D., professor of internal medicine in the Medical School, will retire from active faculty status on June 30, 2014.

Dr. Van Dyke received her B.S. degree from the University of Michigan in 1971 and her M.D. degree from The Johns Hopkins University in 1976. She completed an internal medicine residency at the University of Rochester from 1976-79. At the University of California, San Francisco she completed a gastroenterology fellowship from 1979-83 and served on the faculty from 1983-89. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an associate professor in 1989, and was promoted to professor in 1997. Since 1993, she has also served as a staff physician at the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System.

Dr. Van Dyke is a leading scientist in the fields of hepatology and gastroenterology. Her research critically examined a range of topics including liver disease and gastroenterology, liver disease in pregnancy, ion transport in hepatocytes, endocytosis, and bile formation. She authored and co-authored 43 peer-reviewed journal articles and 50 book chapters. She was a frequent invited lecturer and actively involved in several professional organizations. An outstanding educator and dedicated mentor, Dr. Van Dyke served as the sequence director for the GI pathophysiology course and taught medical students patient history taking and physical examination skills. She was a member of the Medical School’s Institutional Review Board (2004-10), the Dean’s ADVANCE Advisory Group (2010-14), and chair of the VA Human Studies Committee (2010-14). In recognition of her many achievements, Dr. Van Dyke received the Kaiser Permanente Award for Excellence in Pre-Clinical Teaching (2008) and the Richard D. Judge Award for Excellence in Medical Student Teaching (2008).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Rebecca Wynne Van Dyke professor emerita of internal medicine.

Requested by:

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