THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

James F. Peggs, M.D., clinical professor of family medicine in the Medical School, will retire from active faculty status on July 31, 2014.

Dr. Peggs received his B.S. degree from the University of Michigan in 1970 and his M.D. degree from Wayne State University in 1975. He completed a family practice residency at the Lancaster General Hospital in Lancaster, Pennsylvania from 1975-78 and a geriatric mini-fellowship at East Carolina University in 1987. Dr. Peggs joined the University of Michigan faculty as an instructor in 1978, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1983, clinical assistant professor in 1986, clinical associate professor in 1987, and clinical professor in 2002.

An exceptional clinician, teacher, and administrator, Dr. Peggs is a leader in the fields of geriatric medicine, sleep disorders, and urinary incontinence. He authored seventeen peer-reviewed articles in the leading scholarly journals, published fourteen book chapters, and was a frequent invited lecturer at many regional and national symposia. Dr. Peggs held numerous key leadership positions including the Department of Family Medicine’s senior associate chair, the Department of Family Medicine’s assistant chair for educational programs, and the Medical School’s assistant dean for student programs. A gifted teacher and dedicated mentor, he provided exemplary instruction to a generation of future physicians many of whom have gone on to successful medical careers. Dr. Peggs received numerous honors including the Medical School’s Galens Medical Society Silver Shovel Award (1998), the Michigan Academy of Family Physician’s Educator of the Year Award (1999), the Medical School’s Dean’s Award for Clinical Service (2000), and the Kaiser-Permanente Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching (2006). Dr. Peggs was actively involved with the community and generously shared his time and expertise with the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation, the Ann Arbor Homeless Shelter, the Chelsea Community Hospital, the Manchester Migrant Clinic, the Ronald McDonald House, and the Silver Maples Retirement Center.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member, academic leader, and scholar for his dedicated service by naming James F. Peggs clinical professor emeritus of family medicine.

Requested by:

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