Subject: Modification to the Organization of the Geriatrics Center

In November 1987, the Board of Regents approved the establishment of the University of Michigan Geriatrics Center. The current Director of the Geriatrics Center, Dr. Jeffrey Halter, was also the Division Chief of Geriatric Medicine, and therefore a reporting line to the Chair of Internal Medicine is most appropriate. This communication provides further clarification of the Department of Medicine’s responsibility for oversight of the administration of the Geriatrics Center including its space allocation, budgetary authority and personnel management, as well as the reporting line for the Director to the Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine.

A senior faculty member of the Division of Geriatric Medicine with an international reputation as a leader in the field will be the Director of the Geriatrics Center. The Director will be appointed by the Dean of the Medical School in consultation with the Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine and will report to the Chair of Internal Medicine. Annually the Director will provide a report to the Dean of the Medical School and the Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine. The Director will also distribute copies of the report to the Deans and Directors of University of Michigan Schools, Colleges, Centers and Institutes with which the Geriatrics Center collaborates.

The Geriatrics Center is administered through the Department of Internal Medicine. The Department of Internal Medicine is responsible for the clinical, research and educational space within the Geriatrics Center consistent with sponsored funding and donor intentions. The Chair of Internal Medicine, in consultation with the Director, will make the space assignments to the Geriatrics Center.

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