

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Delia M. Vazquez, M.D., Ph.D., professor of pediatrics and professor of psychiatry in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on March 18, 2026.

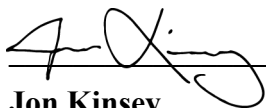
Dr. Vazquez received her bachelor's degree in 1978 from the University of Puerto Rico and her medical degree from the University of Puerto Rico School of Medicine in 1982. She completed pediatric residency training at Hurley Medical Center/Michigan State University in 1984 and at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in 1985. In 1986, Dr. Vazquez completed a clinical fellowship in pediatric endocrinology at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. In 1989, she completed a clinical fellowship in pediatric endocrinology at the University of Michigan Health System. She joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1988 as a lecturer in pediatrics and advanced through the academic ranks. In 2007, she was promoted to professor of pediatrics, with tenure, the position from which she now retires.

Throughout her distinguished career, Dr. Vazquez has contributed over 70 peer-reviewed publications and several book chapters, advancing knowledge in pediatric endocrinology and developmental neurobiology. Her research, supported by the National Institutes of Health and private foundations, has focused on the effects of early-life stress on child development, elucidating key mechanisms of growth failure and behavioral risk. Clinically, Dr. Vazquez has provided expert care in pediatric endocrinology at Michigan Medicine and the Outreach Specialty Clinic at Marquette General Hospital, serving as a resource for complex cases. She directed the Pediatric Endocrinology Fellowship Program for nearly two decades, overseeing advanced training and mentorship for residents and fellows, and continues to support faculty and trainee development. Her academic leadership also extended to administrative roles, including service as associate chair for research in the Department of Pediatrics, and participation on multiple institutional and national committees.

Dr. Vazquez's career reflects a sustained commitment to collaboration, professionalism, and the advancement of pediatric care. Her work has been recognized with professional awards highlighting her impact across education, research, and patient care. Her service to the university and the broader medical community includes outreach activities, committee involvement, contributions to professional societies, and service on grant review panels.

The regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Delia M. Vazquez, professor emerita of pediatrics**.

Requested by:



Jon Kinsey
Vice President and Secretary of the University

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