THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Georgiana M. Sanders, M.D., M.S., Kenneth P. Mathews M.D. Collegiate Professor of Allergy and Immunology, clinical professor of internal medicine, research associate professor of the Mary H. Weiser Food Allergy Center, and clinical professor of pediatrics, Medical School, retired from active faculty status on July 2, 2025.

Dr. Sanders earned her B.S. from Duke University in 1971 and her M.D. from the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine in 1975. She completed residency at Children's Hospital of Michigan in 1978 and served as chief resident in pediatrics from 1978 to 1979 at the Boston City Hospital. She was an assistant (1978-1979) and instructor (1979-1981) in pediatrics at Boston University School of Medicine before completing a fellowship in allergy and immunology in 1984 at the University of Michigan Health System. At the University of Michigan, Dr. Sanders was appointed as instructor in the Department of Internal Medicine (1984-1985) and as clinical instructor the Department of Pediatrics (1985-1996), then to clinical assistant professor in the Department of Pediatrics (1996-2014) and in the Department of Internal Medicine (1997-2014). She then advanced to clinical associate professor in the Department of Internal Medicine and the Department of Pediatrics (2014-2019). She was appointed research associate professor in the Mary H. Weiser Food Allergy Center (2016-present). She then advanced to clinical professor in the Department of Pediatrics and the Department of Internal Medicine (2019-present) and was appointed as the Kenneth P. Mathews M.D. Collegiate Professor of Allergy and Immunology (2023-present). Additionally, she served as a staff physician at several institutions, including Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center and Boston City Hospital (1979-1981), University of Michigan Hospital (1984-present), Allergy and Immunology Associates of Ann Arbor (1985-1989), and St. Joseph Mercy Hospital (1985-1989, 2003-2016), and earned an M.S. in clinical research design from the University of Michigan in 2021.

Dr. Sanders is a distinguished expert in asthma and food allergies, renowned for her work on innovative therapies and improving patient outcomes, including establishing the safety of the influenza vaccine for egg-allergic patients. Her research includes food allergy immunotherapy trials and the psychosocial aspects of allergic diseases. At the University of Michigan, she co-chaired the Asthma Quality Improvement Steering Committee, which received the EPA National Environmental Leadership Award in Asthma Management and has been honored in the Best Doctors in America. A member of various professional societies, Dr. Sanders is dedicated to enhancing healthcare outcomes and tackling disparities in asthma and allergy management.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Georgiana M. Sanders, clinical professor emerita of internal medicine.

Requested by:

Jon Kinsey

Vice President and Secretary of the University

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