

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

*Regents Communication*

**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

**Paul C. Walker, Pharm.D.**, assistant dean for experiential education and community engagement and clinical professor of pharmacy, College of Pharmacy, and manager, Pharmacy Patient Outcomes, University of Michigan Health, retired from active faculty status on September 3, 2024.

Professor Walker received his B.S. in pharmacy (1980) and Pharm.D. (1985) degrees, both from Wayne State University. He completed a residency at Children's Hospital of Michigan (1982) and a specialty residency in pediatric pharmacy practice at the University of Tennessee (1983). After starting his academic career at Wayne State University, which also included clinical leadership roles at various health organizations in Detroit, he began teaching at the University of Michigan (U-M) in an adjunct faculty capacity (1995). He joined U-M full time in 1999 as a clinical associate professor of pharmacy and manager of clinical pharmacy services, U-M Health System. He was promoted to clinical professor in 2011, at which time he was also appointed as the director of experiential training and community engagement. He was appointed assistant dean for experiential education and community engagement at the College of Pharmacy in 2020.

Professor Walker is internationally recognized as a leader in pharmacy practice who is committed to advancing innovative pharmacy practice, particularly in health systems and for pediatric patients. He is passionate about demonstrating the value of pharmacists' contributions to patient care and training the next generation of pharmacy professionals and leaders. Among his numerous professional contributions are his service as president of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP), the largest professional pharmacy association in the U.S. (2022-23); service on the boards of directors of the Michigan Pharmacists Association (MPA) and the Michigan Society of Health-System Pharmacists (MSHP); and many other important service contributions. His many honors include being inducted into the MPA Hall of Honor; the 2022 Association of Black Health-system Pharmacists Foundation's Wendell T. Hill Award; the 2022 U-M Interprofessional Education Award for Innovation and Excellence; the 2021 American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy's Award of Excellence in Experiential Education; the 2022 MPA Pharmacist of the Year; the 2017 MSHP Joseph A. Oddis Leadership Award; the 2010 MSHP Pharmacist of the Year; and the 2008 MSHP Professional Practice Award. He is a fellow of ASHP and MPA.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Paul C. Walker, clinical professor emeritus of pharmacy**.

**Requested by:**



**Jon Kinsey**  
Vice President and Secretary of the University

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