

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

*Regents Communication*

**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

**Nancy A. Mason, Pharm.D.**, clinical professor of pharmacy in the College of Pharmacy, retired from active faculty status on October 13, 2020.

Professor Mason received her B.S. (1976) and Pharm.D. (1981) degrees from the University of Michigan. She served as the assistant director of pharmacy for Chelsea Community Hospital beginning in 1981, before joining the University of Michigan Health System as a clinical pharmacist in 1988. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an adjunct clinical instructor in 1981, and was promoted to clinical assistant professor in 1982, clinical associate professor in 1996, and clinical professor in 2011. Professor Mason concurrently served as the director of Nephrology Pharmacy Associates, Inc. from 1997-2007, before becoming a partner in Renal Pharmacy Consultants, LLC in 2008, a position which she continues to hold. In addition to her faculty appointment, Professor Mason served as the director of the Experiential Training Program and Community Engagement Program from 2004-11 and was the associate dean for student services from 2011-20 at the College of Pharmacy.

Professor Mason was a highly regarded expert in the field of nephrology pharmacy, having been named a National Kidney Foundation Fellow in 2013. Her research focused on the medication-related problems faced by patients receiving dialysis, and the results of her work directly touch hundreds of thousands of this vulnerable patient population every day. She was one of the first pharmacists to develop a collaborative practice in a dialysis unit and be closely engaged with physicians in the care of patients. Professor Mason was a very dedicated and innovative educator in the classroom and in the clinical setting. In addition to developing, teaching, and coordinating a variety of didactic courses, she mentored numerous Pharm.D. students in clinical experiences, as well as in research. She demonstrated leadership in teaching by mentoring other faculty, facilitating the development of a new curricular framework, and implementing new teaching methods. She received several honors for her achievements in teaching and professional practice. Professor Mason's substantial contributions as associate dean for student services were outstanding. Her tireless efforts and dedication on behalf of her students in the areas of academics, leadership, wellness, inclusion, and career and professional development have resulted in many initiatives and programs that have had a positive and lasting impact on the students and on the culture in the College of Pharmacy.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Nancy A. Mason, clinical professor emerita of pharmacy**.

**Requested by:**



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**Sally J. Churchill, J.D.**  
**Vice President and Secretary of the University**

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