

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

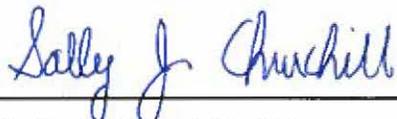
Cesar Alaniz, Pharm.D., clinical associate professor of pharmacy in the College of Pharmacy and clinical pharmacist in the UMH Pharmacy Services, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2019.

Professor Alaniz received his B.A. degree from the University of California, Santa Barbara in 1980 and his Pharm.D. degree from the University of California, San Francisco in 1985. He went on to complete a one-year residency in clinical pharmacy at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Ann Arbor, during which time he was also appointed as a clinical instructor in the University of Michigan's College of Pharmacy. In 1986, he joined the University of Michigan Medical Center as a clinical pharmacist specializing in adult internal medicine and continued as a clinical instructor with the College of Pharmacy. He was promoted to clinical assistant professor in 1989 and clinical associate professor in 2002. At the medical center, he transitioned to adult medicine intensive care in 1995 and was asked to serve as a clinical manager during a crucial time in the Department of Pharmacy from 1996-99.

Professor Alaniz is a nationally recognized leader in the area of critical care pharmacy and has been a very dedicated and successful clinician-educator, who has had a significant impact on patient care, not only through his own involvement in patient care but through the numerous students and residents he has mentored. He chaired the University of Michigan's Residency Advisory Committee (1996-2001) and served on many important committees both within the health system and nationally, benefitting the care of critically ill patients across the country. Professor Alaniz was instrumental in developing and implementing pharmacokinetics monitoring and renal dosing of key drugs; influenced the optimization of therapeutic drug monitoring and blood draws; participated in writing UMHHC's guidelines for antimicrobial use; and evaluated the benefit of institutional guidelines for sedatives, analgesics, and neuromuscular blocking drugs in intensive care units, among many other important contributions. His reputation among students and residents has been consistently outstanding throughout his career, as evidenced by his selection for the College of Pharmacy's Preceptor of the Year Award (1998), the College of Pharmacy's Teaching Excellence Award (2008-09), and Michigan Medicine's Department of Pharmacy's Preceptor of the Year Award (2019).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Cesar Alaniz, clinical associate professor emeritus of pharmacy**.

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