THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Marita G. Titler, Ph.D., professor of nursing in the School of Nursing, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2020.

Professor Titler received her B.S. (1974) degree from Mt. Mercy College and her M.A. (1978) and Ph.D. (1992) degrees from the University of Iowa. Professor Titler joined the University of Michigan faculty as the Rhetaugh Graves Dumas Professor of Nursing, professor of nursing, and associate dean for practice and clinical scholarship in 2009. She also held appointments as department chair in the School of Nursing (2011-18) and associate director in the Michigan Institute for Clinical & Health Research (2009-14).

Professor Titler sustained an unequivocal record of excellence in teaching and scholarly eminence in nursing and health services research with a focus in implementation science and outcomes effectiveness research with an emphasis in older adults. She received continuous federal funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) since 1994, serving as PI on four R01s and a T32 training grant, and as sponsor for K awards. For 15 years, she served as the dissemination and implementation core director for a Gerontology P30. She developed and evaluated models of implementation, led interdisciplinary investigative teams, and contributed to measures in implementation science. She served on study sections for the NIH, the AHRQ, the Canadian Institute for Health Research, and the Canadian Foundation for Innovation. She has over 200 publications in refereed journals, including Medical Care, Health Services Research, and Implementation Science. She served on several national committees, including the National Advisory Council for AHRQ and the Committee on Standards for Developing Trustworthy Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Institute of Medicine. She was a member of the NCI Symptom Management and Health-related Quality of Life Steering Committee (SxQoL SC) and the NCI Central IRB for Cancer Prevention and Control. She received numerous awards for her work, including the American Organization of Nurse Executives’ National Researcher Award (2008), the Sigma Theta Tau International’s Elizabeth McWilliams Miller Award for Excellence in Research (2005), and the Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research’s President’s Award (2010). She is a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing and member of the National Academy of Medicine.

The Regents now salute this distinguished nursing educator for her dedicated service by naming Marita G. Titler, professor emerita of nursing.

Requested by:

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