THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Roma Gianchandani, M.B.B.S., clinical professor of internal medicine in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on December 6, 2021.

Dr. Gianchandani received her medical degree from Topiwala National Medical College in Mumbai, India, in 1986 and completed her internal medicine residency at Wayne State University in 1992. She completed her endocrinology fellowship at the University of Michigan in 1995 and was then recruited as a lecturer at the University of Michigan from 1995-97. She then moved to Dean Clinic in Wisconsin. She was recruited back to the University of Michigan faculty as a clinical instructor in 2002, and was promoted to clinical assistant professor in 2006, and clinical associate professor in 2014, and clinical professor in 2019. She was nominated to be the associate vice chair for quality and innovation in the Department of Internal Medicine in 2020.

Dr. Gianchandani’s contribution to the university and to the medical field were numerous, but of note is her establishing the Hospital Diabetes Program. This program has changed the paradigm of diabetes care in Michigan Medicine and has managed thousands of patients with diabetes and hyperglycemia. It has improved outcomes, safety and morbidity, and mortality in this group. Dr. Gianchandani developed numerous guidelines, educational initiatives, order sets, computerized decision support tools and patient care activities. Her work helped establish the University of Michigan Hospital as a national leader in hospital diabetes care. This work has contributed significantly to the Division of Endocrinology, which has risen to be one of the 10 top endocrine programs nationally. Dr. Gianchandani has also been a leader in quality improvement initiatives and support at Michigan Medicine and led the Department of Internal Medicine’s quality team since 2019.

Dr. Gianchandani has fulfilled the tripartite mission of the hospital including patient care, education of hundreds of medical students and residents, and discovery. Her clinical program won several patient safety awards, and her clinical care won her the Dean’s Outstanding Clinician Award in 2018. She was inducted into the inaugural year of the Department of Internal Medicine’s Clinical Excellence Society in 2013.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Roma Gianchandani, clinical professor emerita of internal medicine.

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