

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Carmen Renee Green, M.D., professor of anesthesiology and professor of obstetrics and gynecology in the Medical School, professor of health management and policy in the School of Public Health, and attending physician in the Back and Pain Center, retired from active faculty status on October 1, 2021.

Professor Green received her B.S. (1983) degree from the University of Michigan-Flint and her M.D. (1987) degree from the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine. Professor Green completed an internship in internal medicine at Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, and an anesthesiology residency and pain medicine fellowship at the University of Michigan Medical Center. Professor Green joined the University of Michigan faculty as a lecturer in 1993, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1996, associate professor in 2003, and professor in 2009.

Professor Green is a preeminent scholar, award-winning pain medicine physician, anesthesiologist, and health policy expert. She helped shape the narrative regarding the importance of access to high quality pain care by authoring germinal and seminal papers poignantly revealing unequal treatment, disparities, variability in physician decision-making, and diminished health care quality, revealing suboptimal access to health and pain care across the life course for women, minorities, and low-income people. Professor Green published prolifically on the unequal burden of pain, was guest editor for *Pain Medicine's* special issue on pain care disparities and was the first to identify disparities in hospital security calls. As a Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy fellow at the National Academy of Medicine and as a health policy analyst in the U.S. Senate's Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee and the Children and Families Subcommittee, she helped draft several pieces of legislation (including the National Pain Care Policy Act). She served on advisory committees for the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services, the NIH and for public agencies and professional societies. She received the UM Harold R. Johnson Diversity Service, the Woman of Color of the Year for Human Relations, Employee of the Year awards, the John Liebeskind Pain Management Research Award, the Elizabeth Narcessian Award for Outstanding Educational Achievements, and was a Top Doctor by *U.S. News and World Reports*. She was the inaugural associate vice president and associate dean for health equity and inclusion, leader in the Program for Research on Black Americans, and made presentations to the U.S. Congress. Professor Green is an elected fellow of several organizations, consistent advocate, outstanding teacher, dedicated mentor, and helped create a critical mass of minorities and women in higher education and medicine.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Carmen Renee Green, professor emerita of anesthesiology and professor emerita of obstetrics and gynecology.**

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