THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

R. Kevin Reynolds, M.D., George W. Morley Collegiate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology and professor of obstetrics and gynecology in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2021.

Dr. Reynolds received his B.S. degree from Stanford University in 1978 and his M.D. degree from the University of New Mexico’s School of Medicine in 1982. He completed his obstetrics and gynecology residency at the University of Vermont in 1986. Dr. Reynolds completed his gynecologic oncology fellowship at the University of Michigan in 1991. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1991, and was promoted to associate professor in 1998, and professor in 2008. He was named the George W. Morley Collegiate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology in 2005. He served as the director of the Gynecologic Oncology Fellowship Program (1997-2019) and chief of the Division of Gynecologic Oncology (1998-2021).

Dr. Reynolds specialized in patients with known or suspected gynecologic malignancies or patients with pre-malignant gynecologic diseases. Under his leadership, the Division of Gynecologic Oncology has provided the highest quality care for women with gynecologic cancers and complex surgical needs. The division grew from two to six faculty and expanded to cover the gynecologic oncology needs at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and Midland Mid-Michigan Hospital. Dr. Reynolds has been instrumental in surgical education including the development of surgical simulators and curriculum and program development. He is the author of the Overview of Gynecologic Oncology (2010) and its 11 editions, which helped to shape fellow education across the country. He is nationally recognized for his excellence in teaching and has mentored countless residents and fellows who are now academic leaders and superb clinicians across the country. In 1994, 1998, 2003 and in 2021, he was awarded the Council on Resident Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology’s National Faculty Award for Excellence in Resident Education. He won the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology’s Silver Speculum Teaching Award, the top departmental teaching award from graduating seniors in 1993, 2004 and 2016 and the University of Michigan Medical School’s Clinician of the Year Award in 2015.

Dr. Reynolds has been a member of the Cervical Cancer and Uterine Cancer Treatment Committees of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network and served as a member of the Society of Gynecologic Oncologists’ Membership and Government Relations Committees.

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar and surgeon by naming R. Kevin Reynolds, professor emeritus of obstetrics and gynecology.

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