

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

John J. LiPuma, M.D., Ph.D. (Hon), James L Wilson, M.D. Research Professor of Pediatrics and professor of pediatrics in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on March 31, 2023, concluding a successful career of service at the University of Michigan.

Dr. LiPuma received his undergraduate degree from Canisius College in 1976, his M.D. degree from St. Louis University School of Medicine in 1980, and an honorary Ph.D. from the University of Gent, Belgium, in 2015. He completed both his pediatric residency (1983) and his fellowship in pediatric infectious diseases (1986) at the University of Michigan.

Dr. LiPuma was appointed an assistant professor of pediatrics at the Medical College of Pennsylvania (MCP) in 1986, and was promoted to associate professor of pediatrics in 1990. His associate professor position continued after MCP and Hahnemann University were acquired by Allegheny University and the new merged entity was called MCP Hahnemann University in 1993. He was promoted to professor of pediatrics at MCP Hahnemann University (now Drexel University College of Medicine) in 1998. Dr. LiPuma joined the University of Michigan faculty as an associate professor of pediatrics with tenure in the Medical School in 1999, and was appointed associate professor of epidemiology in the School of Public Health in 2001. In 2011, he was named the James L. Wilson, M.D. Research Professor of Pediatrics until 2023. He was promoted to professor of pediatrics with tenure in 2003, the position from which he now retires.

Dr. LiPuma is a nationally and internationally recognized scholar in pediatric infectious diseases with a focus on pulmonary infection in persons with cystic fibrosis. He has been extensively involved in teaching all levels of trainees and has served on several doctoral thesis committees. He has served on multiple institutional and national committees, national editorial boards and advisory panels, and as ad hoc reviewer for numerous top tier journals in his field. His investigations have made major contributions to the care of pediatric patients with pulmonary diseases. He has held several important administrative roles including as the director of the Division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases (2012-2021), associate chair for research (2004-2014), chief of service, Pediatric Infectious Diseases, C.S. Mott Children's Hospital (2014-2021), and director of research space management, Department of Pediatrics (2014-2021). Dr. LiPuma has published over 250 peer-reviewed articles and holds two patents. Dr. LiPuma has distinguished himself as an outstanding clinician, research scholar, and educator who has demonstrated a strong commitment to patient care, education, research, and service.

The Regents now salute this distinguished researcher, clinician, leader, and teacher by naming **John J. LiPuma, professor emeritus of pediatrics.**

Requested by:



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