

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Adopted by the Regents

June 18, 2009

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Mary Ellen A. Bozynski Hernandez, M.D., professor of pediatrics and communicable diseases and professor of medical education, Medical School, will retire from active faculty status on June 30, 2009.

Dr. Bozynski Hernandez received her B.S. degree from Mercy College of Detroit in 1967, her M.D. degree from Wayne State University in 1971, and her M.S. degree from the University of Michigan in 1988. From 1971-1977 she pursued her internship, residency, and fellowship training at Children's Hospital of Michigan. She was an instructor in pediatrics at the University of Michigan from 1977-79 and an assistant professor at Rush Medical College in Chicago from 1979-84. Dr. Bozynski Hernandez joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1984 as an assistant professor of pediatrics and communicable diseases, and was promoted to associate professor in 1990 and professor in 1997. She was appointed professor of medical education in 2003.

During the first half of her career at the University of Michigan, Dr. Bozynski Hernandez carried a full clinical load, pursued research on the developmental outcomes of premature infants, and organized and directed the follow-up clinic at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. More recently, as director of pediatric education and associate chair for pediatrics, Dr. Bozynski Hernandez has become a national and international leader in medical education. She has been a respected advocate for medical students, pediatric residents, and neonatology fellows, and has been an outstanding leader in the assessment of medical students' clinical skills. Under her direction, the Comprehensive Clinical Assessment, required for graduation from medical school, has been transformed. She has an extensive peer-reviewed bibliography and is certified by the American Board of Pediatrics and the sub-board of Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine. Dr. Bozynski Hernandez developed an international reputation in this area and was elected by her peers to the Society for Pediatric Research and the American Pediatric Society. In 2007 the Medical School awarded her its Lifetime Achievement Award in Medical Education.

The Regents now salute this distinguished educator and clinician by naming **Mary Ellen A. Bozynski Hernandez professor emerita of pediatrics and communicable diseases and professor emerita of medical education.**

Requested by:



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