THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

Xian Chen, M.D., clinical assistant professor of internal medicine in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on July 31, 2018.

Dr. Chen received her M.D. degree from Fujian Medical University in Fuzhou, Fujian China in 1983. She completed a pediatrics residency (1983-86) and a pediatric hematology fellowship (1986-88) at the Union Hospital, Fujian Medical University. She received an M.S. (1990) degree from Radford University and an M.S. (1993) degree from Brooklyn College, City University of New York. Dr. Chen subsequently completed an internal medicine residency (1996-99) at the Mountainside Hospital in Montclair, New Jersey. She served as an associate attending physician at Mountainside Hospital (1999-2004) and as an occupational consultant physician at Hoffman-LaRoche Inc. (2000-04). She joined the University of Michigan as a clinical assistant professor and the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System as a primary care attending physician in 2004. She served as a general medicine attending physician at the university’s East Ann Arbor Health Center from 2006-18.

An outstanding clinician and teacher, Dr. Chen was widely recognized for her mentorship of medical students, residents, and junior faculty in the delivery of high quality and compassionate patient care. Her teaching activities included daily attending rounds, case discussions, lecturers, and conferences. Dr. Chen co-authored articles in both the Chinese Journal of Pediatrics and the Journal of Fujian Medical College. As a guest professor at Fujian Medical University, she presented seminars on a number of topics, including a comparison of the United States and Chinese health systems, the importance of teaching evidence-based medicine, an update on primary care medicine, an introduction to the American health care system, the screening and prevention of diseases in the United States, and the outpatient management of deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism. Dr. Chen received the VA Ann Arbor Health System’s Ambulatory Care: Excellence in Service Award in 2005.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Xian Chen, clinical assistant professor emerita of internal medicine.

Requested by:

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