



## In Memoriam: Sharon Reimold, M.D.

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To the UT Southwestern Community:

We are saddened to share the news of the passing of our esteemed colleague, **Sharon Reimold, M.D.**, Professor of Internal Medicine, a national leader in the field of cardiology and cardiac imaging, and a passionate advocate for the advancement of women in medicine and science. She held the Gail Griffiths Hill Chair in Cardiology.

Her death represents a great loss for the entire UT Southwestern community, and we offer our sincerest condolences to Dr. Reimold's husband and faculty colleague – Andreas Reimold, M.D. – daughter, Kim, son, Nicholas, extended family, and friends.

Dr. Reimold earned her medical degree and completed her residency at Washington University in St. Louis. She pursued fellowship training in cardiology at Brigham and Women's Hospital, a teaching affiliate of Harvard Medical School. She stayed at Harvard for her first faculty appointment, growing her leadership skills through various roles including Director of the Cardiology Fellowship Program.

In 2000, Dr. Reimold joined the UT Southwestern faculty. She served as Clinical Chief of Cardiology for 10 years before becoming Vice Chair of Clinical Operations and Faculty Development of the Department of Internal Medicine in 2016. Under her leadership, outpatient operations expanded significantly. She worked with stakeholders in the department and across the university Health System to optimize workflows, promote quality and safety, and improve patient satisfaction. She was also instrumental in the successful and rapid expansion of the inpatient programs and ambulatory practices that followed the opening of William P. Clements Jr. University Hospital.

As a cardiologist, Dr. Reimold provided care to her patients in the ambulatory setting, specializing in noninvasive imaging. She studied gender differences in the presentation of heart disease, with an emphasis on treating and diagnosing cardiac disease in women.

Dr. Reimold championed the recruitment, mentorship, and development of female faculty throughout her career. For the past 14 years, she was active in the Women in Science and Medicine Advisory Committee (WISMAC). Since 2017, Dr. Reimold served as Chair of the UT Southwestern Annual Compensation Equity Study, which aims to identify pay gaps between groups of faculty within their clinical subspecialties. She was also a valued member of the Promotion and Tenure Committee, the UT Southwestern Medical Group Executive Committee, and the Faculty Awards Committee, among others.

Her contributions to the field were recognized with multiple honors, including the American Heart Association's Women in Cardiology Mentoring Award (2019) and here at

UT Southwestern the Patricia and William L. Watson, Jr., M.D., Award for Excellence in Clinical Medicine (2012), our highest honor in patient care.

During her time at UT Southwestern, Dr. Reimold had a profound impact on the lives of patients and colleagues, and in the way we pursue each of our missions. She will be deeply missed, but her legacy will inspire faculty colleagues, learners, and all with whom she worked, for many years to come.

Sincerely,

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