

ACADEMIC CONNECTIONS

THOUGHTS AND UPDATES FROM DR. W. P. ANDREW LEE

December 14, 2022

Dear Colleagues,

I write to share the news that, after nearly 50 years of distinguished service at UT Southwestern, Charles M. Ginsburg, M.D., Vice Provost and Senior Associate Dean for Education, and the Marilyn R. Corrigan Distinguished Chair in Pediatric Research, has announced plans to step down from his leadership position after his successor is identified. He will continue to assist with institutional initiatives outside the educational realm.

A graduate of the University of Nebraska College of Medicine, Dr. Ginsburg completed his residency in pediatrics and a fellowship in academic pediatrics/infectious diseases at UT Southwestern. He joined the UT Southwestern faculty in 1975 as an Instructor in Pediatrics. He quickly assumed growing responsibilities, and in 1982 he was named inaugural Medical Director of Children's Medical Center Dallas. He also served as Director of the Medical Student Education Program in the Department of Pediatrics and Director of the Pediatric Residency Program.

In 1988, Dr. Ginsburg became Chairman of the Department of Pediatrics and was named Chief of Staff at Children's Medical Center. He held both positions for 15 years, successfully expanding the scope and size of clinical activities, research roles, and community involvement.



Under his leadership, Emergency Medicine, Critical Care, Endocrinology, Infectious Diseases, and Nephrology created nationally recognized pediatric divisions. With his distinctive energy and enthusiasm, Dr. Ginsburg shaped UT Southwestern's Pediatrics faculty into a nationally renowned department and is credited with setting the standards for identifying and nurturing young faculty and physician-scientists as well as innovative program development. Most notably, his commitment to teaching students, residents, and fellows was recognized with multiple honors, including the Award for Teaching Excellence on 10 separate occasions.

In 2009, Dr. Ginsburg served as Interim Dean for UT Southwestern Medical School while the search for a new Dean/Provost was underway. He assumed his current position as Vice Provost and Senior Associate Dean for Education in 2016. In that role, he has been responsible for the transformation of the library into the Health Sciences Digital Library and Learning Center, and restructuring and oversight of the Admissions and Registrar's Offices; Student Financial Aid; the student and resident mental health and wellness programs; the Office of Student Diversity and Inclusion; and the Simulation Center.

Beyond UT Southwestern, Dr. Ginsburg is an established community leader who has volunteered in various roles, including serving as Chairman of the Environmental Health Commission for the city of Dallas. He was co-founding physician of the Los Barrios Unidos Community Clinic in West Dallas and founding member of the Referral and Evaluation of At-Risk Children (REACH) clinic, the Thrive Program at Children's Health, and the Bio-medical Preparatory at UT Southwestern, among others.

I am pleased to announce that Steve Bloom, M.D., Associate Dean for Clinical Sciences and Professor and former Chair of Obstetrics and Gynecology, will serve as chair of the committee that will conduct a national search to identify Dr. Ginsburg's successor. This important search will be launched shortly, and we look forward to receiving faculty input as we chart the next era of education at UT Southwestern.

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Ginsburg for his many decades of visionary leadership at UT Southwestern and his extensive contributions to the fields of pediatrics and medical education.



Sincerely,

Andy

W. P. Andrew Lee, M.D.

Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
Dean, UT Southwestern Medical School

Copyright 2022 UT Southwestern Medical Center. All rights reserved.

Academic Connections is a publication of Communications, Marketing, and Public Affairs (CMPA) at UT Southwestern Medical Center.