Cindy Stowe, Pharm.D., Named Dean of the UAMS College of Pharmacy

LITTLE ROCK — Cindy Stowe, Pharm. D., has been named dean of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) College of Pharmacy effective July 29.

Stowe was on the UAMS faculty for nearly 20 years, from 1995-2014. Since 2014, she has been dean of the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences at Sullivan University in Louisville, Kentucky. She also served as that university’s associate provost since 2018.

UAMS’ Schwanda Flowers, Pharm.D., has served as interim dean since Jan. 7, when Keith Olsen, Pharm.D., stepped down to take an appointment as dean of the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Pharmacy in Omaha.

Stowe’s initial appointment at UAMS was as an assistant professor of pharmacy practice in the College of Pharmacy in 1995. She also held an appointment in the College of Medicine’s Department of Pediatrics, Section of Pediatric Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology. Stowe became a professor with tenure in the College of Pharmacy in 2009 and was the college’s associate dean from 2005 to 2014.

“With the knowledge that comes from her many years of experience here and as a dean at Sullivan, I am sure Dr. Stowe has the right skill set to be a wonderful leader for the college and for UAMS,” said Chancellor Cam Patterson, M.D., MBA.

Stowe earned her doctor of pharmacy degree in 1991 from the University of Kentucky, where she previously earned a bachelor’s degree in pharmacy.

As dean, Stowe will oversee all aspects of the UAMS College of Pharmacy.

“I am excited to be returning to the UAMS College of Pharmacy,” Stowe said. “I look forward to working with the students, staff, faculty, alumni, and pharmacy profession to advance the health and wellness of Arkansans.”
“All of us are pleased Cindy has accepted this position,” said UAMS Provost Stephanie Gardner, Pharm.D., Ed.D., a former dean of the UAMS College of Pharmacy. “Working with her when she was on faculty several years ago was such a positive experience, we are looking forward to working with her again and seeing all that she will accomplish as dean of the college.”

Stowe has served nationally as chair of the Institutional Research and Assessment Committee of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) as well as a delegate and Secretary of Knowledge Management for the AACP’s Council of Deans. She also is a site team member for the Accreditation Council of Pharmacy Education.

UAMS is the state’s only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging, Translational Research Institute and Institute for Digital Health & Innovation. It is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. UAMS has 2,727 students, 870 medical residents and five dental residents. It is the state’s largest public employer with more than 10,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses, Arkansas Children’s Hospital, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit www.uams.edu or www.uamshealth.com. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube or Instagram.

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