

Biosketch: Maxine A. Papadakis, M.D.

Maxine A. Papadakis, MD, is Professor of Medicine, Emeritus and a practicing internist at the San Francisco Veterans Administration Medical Center. She was the Associate Dean for Students in the School of Medicine at UCSF from 1998 to 2016. She is a leading investigator in the field of professionalism. In a series of ground-breaking studies and in collaboration with the Federation of State Licensing Boards, Dr. Papadakis linked long term outcomes important to patient care (disciplinary action against physicians by licensing boards) to performance of physicians during training, particularly professional behaviors. She further advanced the field by describing the types of unprofessional behavior that are linked with disciplinary action, thus providing direction to the development of tools to assess these behaviors. Dr. Papadakis expanded her



inquiry to include residents, in collaboration with the American Board of Internal Medicine. She then turned her attention to catalyzing the educational community to identify best practices for remediation. She has also assessed the performance of medical students with protected disabilities, focusing on their “abilities”. Dr. Papadakis is a member of the Ethics and Professionalism Committee of the American Board of Medical Specialties.

Dr. Papadakis is lead editor of the annually published textbook *Current Medical Diagnosis and Treatment*, which is translated into several languages. She is the recipient of many teaching awards, including the coveted UCSF Academic Senate Distinction in Teaching Award. In 2010, she received the John P. Hubbard Award from the National Board of Medical Examiners. This international award is given to individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the pursuit of excellence in the field of evaluation in medicine. She is also the recipient of the 2014 UCSF Chancellor’s Award for Disability Service. To honor her 18 years of service when she stepped down from her position as the associate dean of students, awards for UCSF faculty and residents who display the best of professionalism and respect have been named after her.