

Expert on Science of Place and Wellbeing Named Chair of National Library of Medicine Board of Regents

Dr. Esther Sternberg, director of research at the University of Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine, will lead outreach and education efforts of the National Library of Medicine, now in its 61st year.

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TUCSON, Ariz. – Esther Sternberg, MD, director of research at the <u>University of Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine</u>, founding director of the <u>UA Institute on Place and Wellbeing</u>, and professor of medicine at the <u>UA College of Medicine – Tucson</u>, has been named chair of the <u>National Library of Medicine's (NLM) Board of Regents</u>.



Esther Sternberg, MD (Photo: Kris Hanning Photography)

An Institute of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), NLM is one of the world's largest biomedical libraries. NLM created and produces PubMed, PubMed Central, MedlinePlus and many critical and widely-used web-based information services for scientists and health-care professionals.

"NLM gives vetted, credible, evidence-based answers to health-related questions. How do we get that information out above all the noise? It is becoming even more important than ever to help everyone access credible health information in a direct way," said Dr. Sternberg, who has been engaged with the NLM for more than 20 years and has served on the Board since 2014.

Summing up her philosophy about NLM, Dr. Sternberg stated, "The Library's main mission is public health through public information."

Dr. Sternberg is renowned for her discoveries in brain-immune interactions, the effects of the brain's stress response on health and the role of place (environment) in wellbeing.

The NLM Board of Regents was established in 1956 to serve as the advisory body to the director of NLM, the director of NIH and the secretary of Health and Human Services on policies pertaining to the Library. For more information about NLM, visit https://www.nlm.nih.gov/.

To learn more about Dr. Sternberg's work, visit her website.

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