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Robert S. Wigton, MD



Omaha native Robert Wigton, MD, is a 1969 alumnus of the UNMC College of Medicine who served as professor in internal medicine and in several key administrative areas in the UNMC College of Medicine, including associate dean for graduate medical education. An author of more than 160 research publications and book chapters, he is internationally recognized for his research in medical education and how physicians make clinical decisions. Dr. Wigton participated in and has been recognized by national, state and local medical and research societies, including the

Society of Medical Decision and the Society for General Internal Medicine. He won the Irving S. Cutter Medal for his lifetime contributions to medicine from the national organization of the Phi Rho Sigma Medical Society.

For well over 50 years, Dr. Wigton influenced and elevated the importance of the history of medicine inside and outside of the walls of UNMC. He is described as “one of the pillars upon which the history of UNMC rests.” The Wigton family legacy spans three generations of UNMC alumni with Dr. Wigton’s father and grandfather also serving as professors in the College of Medicine. In total, 17 family members have served in the medical, nursing and other health professions.