DR. PATRICIA GANZ received the UCLA Alumni Association’s Professional Achievement Award at a May 22 ceremony honoring seven prominent individuals for their professional achievement and public, community and university service. Ganz, who received her M.D. from UCLA in 1973, is professor of health services in the School of Public Health and director of the UCLA Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center’s Division of Cancer Prevention and Control Research, based in the school. She is also a professor in the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA.

Ganz is considered a pioneer in the areas of quality of life for cancer survivors, quality of care for cancer patients and cancer prevention. “If one were to ask anyone in the oncology area for a short-list of the top breast-cancer-survivorship or quality-of-life experts, Dr. Ganz’s name would be among the first to be cited,” says Dr. Linda Rosenstock, dean of the UCLA School of Public Health. “Dr. Ganz embodies the purpose of the award, fulfilling the highest levels of expectation for superior achievement in her field through a record of distinguished career accomplishments complemented by her outstanding contributions to the profession.”

DR. ROHAN BASTANI was appointed to the Scientific Advisory Committee of the UC Tobacco Related Diseases Research Program. DR. THOMAS BELIN is serving as co-chair of the 2005 International Conference on Health Policy Research, to be held in Boston in October 2005 in conjunction with the American Statistical Association Health Policy Statistics Section. DR. WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM was selected to the American Society for Clinical Investigation, an honor society of physician-scientists. DR. ROGER DETELS served as an external examiner for the National University of Singapore Program on Public Health Medicine. DR. JONATHAN FIELDING is serving on the Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Board of the Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences. DR. DEBORAH GLIK received the Mohan Singh Award for Use of Humor in Public Health Education from the American Public Health Association’s Public Health and Health Promotion Section. DR. NEAL HALPON is serving as an honorary professor of University College London, Institute of Child Health from 2003-08. He was the 2003 Creswick Professor of Early Childhood at the University of Melbourne and Royal Children’s Hospital and the 2003 Croc Professor of Pediatrics at Columbia University and Children’s Hospital of New York. DR. DIANA HILBERMAN is chair-elect of the Association of University Programs in Health Administration. DR. MICHAEL LU received the Coalition for Excellence in Maternal and Child Health Epidemiology’s Young Professional Achievement Award. DR. BEATE RITZ served as part of the expert working group on environmental health tracking in California, as established in 2001 by the California Legislature and signed by the governor. DR. RUTH ROEMER received the 2003 Lifetime Achievement Award from the International Network of Women Against Tobacco. DR. MARK SCHUSTER was the winner of the 2003 Nemours Child Health Services Research Award from AcademyHealth. DR. KIMBERLEY SHOAF was appointed to represent disaster public health on the National Research Council’s Committee on Disaster Research in the Social Sciences: Future Challenges and Opportunities. DR. SUSAN SORENSON is serving on the Attorney General’s Task Force on Law Enforcement Responses to Domestic Violence, established by the California Department of Justice. DR. STEVEN P. WALLACE assumed the role of chair of the Gerontological Health Sections of the American Public Health Association. DR. ROBERT WEISS was elected Fellow of the American Statistical Association. DR. ARTHUR WINER received the Carl Moyer Award for Scientific Leadership and Technical Excellence from the Coalition for Clean Air.