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Dr. Piper received her PhD in Epidemiology and Biostatistics at McGill University (1979), and has served as Director of the School of Physical and Occupational Therapy, McGill University ('79-'85), Dean of the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Alberta ('85-'93) and Vice President, Research and External Affairs, University of Alberta ('93-'97). From 1997 to 2006 she served as the 11th President of the University of British Columbia.

In 2007, Dr. Piper assumed Board memberships with CARE Canada, the Institute for Research on Public Policy, the BC Children's Hospital Foundation and the Dalai Lama Centre for Peace and Education. In 2008, Dr. Piper joined the Canadian Institutes of Advanced Research and assumed the Chair of the Board of the National Institute of Nanotechnology. Dr. Piper currently is a member of the Board of Directors of the Bank of Montreal, TransAlta Corporation, Shoppers Drug Mart, and Grosvenor Americas Ltd and is a member of the Trilateral Commission.

The recipient of 16 honorary degrees, Dr. Piper is an officer in the Order of Canada and a member of the Order of British Columbia. She was named Educator of the Year by the Learning Partnership in 2004, and was appointed a Fellow of the Royal Society and an Honorary Fellow of Merton College, Oxford University in 2007.