

## **G. Kevin Donovan, MD, MA**

**G. Kevin Donovan** is the former director of the Pellegrino Center for Clinical Bioethics at Georgetown University Medical Center, Washington, D.C. He remains on the faculty of the Pellegrino Center for Clinical Bioethics at Georgetown University and is also professor of pediatrics at Georgetown University Medical Center.

Dr. Donovan is a clinician ethicist with over 30 years of experience in the field of pediatrics and bioethics. He began his training as a visiting scholar with Dr. Edmund Pellegrino at the Kennedy Institute of Ethics of Georgetown University, in 1989 – 90. It was during this time that he began his studies that led to his earning a master's degree in bioethics from University of Oklahoma. At the request of Dr. Pellegrino, he returned to Georgetown in 2012, as director of the Pellegrino Center and served from 2012 to 2020.

Prior to his return to Georgetown, Dr. Donovan served as section chief, vice chair, interim chair and professor of pediatrics at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine – Tulsa, where he was the founding director of the Oklahoma Bioethics Center.

Dr. Donovan received his undergraduate degree from the University of Notre Dame, Indiana, and his M.D. and master's in bioethics from the University of Oklahoma. He trained in pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine, completed fellowships in pediatric gastroenterology at the Children's Hospital of Oklahoma and the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, Maryland, and is board certified in pediatric gastroenterology. His national memberships have included the American Medical Association, the North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, the American Academy of Pediatrics (G.I. and bioethics sections) and the Kennedy Institute of Ethics, where he has now been appointed a clinician scholar.

Dr. Donovan completed a three-year term as chair of the bioethics section of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and was appointed as the first person to serve as liaison from the bioethics section to the Committee on Bioethics of the AAP. He also served on the bioethics committee for the North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition, the ethics committee of the Oklahoma State Medical Association, and was medical ethics consultant to the Roman Catholic diocese of Tulsa. He served on the local board of directors for the organ sharing network, the Genetics Advisory Council, and was a founding member and first vice president of the Oklahoma Association for Healthcare Ethics. He also served as chair of the Institutional Review Board at St. Francis Hospital for 17 years.

Dr. Donovan has published articles on both pediatrics and bioethics and has spoken extensively on both subjects at the local, national and international level on four continents.

He has been interviewed and quoted on NBC, NPR, EWTN and Al Jazeera, as well as the New York Times and the Washington Post, among others. He was awarded the Humanism in Medicine award from the Gold Foundation, which recognizes physicians to have successfully integrated humanism into the delivery of care to their patients and families. Dr. Donovan also received the Founder's Award for Outstanding Contributions to Research and Medicine from the University of Tulsa, an award sponsored by the Oklahoma chapter of the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America. He has been listed in Who's Who in the World, as well as Best Doctors in America, and Top Doctors in America.