

Brief Bio: Richard A. Demme, MD FACP. Dr. Demme earned undergraduate degrees in Classical Civilization and Biology at SUNY at Buffalo, and his Medical Degree at Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse. He completed his Nephrology Fellowship at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston, part of the Harvard system. He served in the USAF Medical Corps for over 10 years, and was the Chief Military Consultant to the Air Force Surgeon General for Nephrology when he left the service.

Dr. Demme has been a practicing Nephrologist at URMC since 1999, and is now an Associate Professor of Medicine and Humanities. His clinical practice focuses on the care of transplant patients. He is a member of the Clinical Ethics consult service and has served as the Chair of the URMC Ethics Committee since 2002. He has been a member of the UNOS (national transplant ) Ethics committee since 2008. He is currently writing on the history of research ethics, and on transplantation issues as shown in the movies. Since Dr. Demme has a child enrolled as an UR undergraduate, he has become more aware of larger campus issues.