

Dr. Jan Kief is a third generation Coloradan. She was inspired to pursue a career in medicine while being an EMT, and she obtained a chemistry degree with distinction from University of Colorado at Denver. Dr. Kief graduated from the University of Colorado's School of Medicine in 1982 and did residencies in Internal and Emergency Medicine in Colorado. Her clinical career included decades of community practice, serving as a captain in the Army Reserves at Fitzsimons, and years as an academic faculty teaching "Principles of Clinical Medicine" to first and second year medical students. For four decades, she has been a leader in organized medicine and advocacy, both in Colorado and at the national level. Dr. Kief is a past president and past speaker of the Colorado Medical Society, as well as a current elected Delegate to the American Medical Association (AMA). Additionally, she has served on many boards and medical advocacy organizations. Her work has resulted in appointment and current service to the AMA Council on Long Range Planning and Development. She believes it is through advocacy and involvement in organized medicine and healthcare policy that we can substantially improve the lives of physicians and the patients that they serve; Dr. Kief has also been a leader on the CU Medical Alumni Association board for nine years and, during her tenure, established a standing committee structure to foster increased alumni engagement and participation. She is proud to serve the University that was so instrumental in her life.