

**Birendra Sah, MD, FCCP**  
**Associate Professor, Medicine**  
**Department of Medicine**  
**College of Medicine**

**Script read by Dr. Sri Narsipur, Chair of the Department of Medicine,  
presenting the 2020 Gold Standard Award to Dr. Birendra Sah:**

“I’d like to read a few excerpts from Dr. Sah’s nomination letter.

Dr. Birendra Sah is currently an Associate Professor in the division of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine in the Department of Medicine. Throughout his training, Dr. Sah has followed an academic path with interest in research, teaching and publications.

Dr. Sah has pursued his professional goals with enthusiasm and passion. He has developed a Sarcoidosis program with regional recognition in the area of complex and difficult to manage sarcoidosis.

For the past 3 years, Dr. Sah has been the Medical Director of the Intensive Care Unit. In that capacity he has demonstrated unequivocal commitment for excellent patient care. Dr. Sah is an exemplary teacher, he loves his profession and shares his passion with his colleagues, fellows, residents and students.

Dr. Sah not only offers support to peers, residents and fellows, always on his own time, but he builds systems to address some of the grievances they may have.

He is a highly skilled and compassionate physician, a generous and loyal colleague and an extraordinary role model for residents, fellows and junior attendings.

I think Dr. Sah is one of Upstate’s unsung heroes. He strives to provide comprehensive, high quality care that patients would otherwise have to travel several hours by car to receive elsewhere and, through his teaching and his example, he makes us all better physicians.”

**Nominated by Dana Savici, MD, Associate Professor of Medicine, Division Chief,  
Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine, Department of Medicine.**