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EXCEPTIONAL MOMENTS

IN TEACHING



Brian Tran, DO, is clinical instructor of Pediatrics at Upstate University Hospital. He is the **May 2021** Recipient of the **Exceptional Moments in Teaching Recognition**.

COMMENTS FROM DR. TRAN'S STUDENTS:

“Dr. Tran was phenomenal. He was actively engaged in my experience and learning, always looking to teach and involve me in the care of the patients. Got to know me personally. He has a fantastic demeanor underlined with kindness, respect, a fantastic base of knowledge and strong work ethic.”

“Dr. Brian is an amazing role model for how to interact with children and their families, with both a very personable demeanor and a bedside manner that allows both serious and lighthearted situations to be discussed with patients and their families. I learned many ways to help make children comfortable during some of the more uncomfortable situations that medicine often brings with it. For example: kneeling to their level, giving children choice about how to proceed with exams, and lighthearted jokes to help ease tension.”

“Dr. Brian was always willing to teach and answer my questions. What I found the most amazing about him is that despite being a great professional he still was able to be “silly” with the kids. I saw the kids’ eyes light up when they saw him. While I don’t intend to be a pediatrician, I hope to one day emulate his impeccable connection with his patients and their parents.”

The College of Medicine recognizes exceptional teachers with the monthly “Exceptional Moments in Teaching” program. Honorees are selected via student assessments from courses and clerkships. Recognized teachers—including medical faculty, residents, nurses and other educators—are those who challenge students and provide an exceptional learning experience.