MEDIA ADVISORY!

Local Pediatric Dentist will receive a National Lifetime Achievement Award!
Dr. Buddhi Shrestha will be the first dentist from Upstate New York to receive this national award.
He has served Rochester’s underserved for more than 30 years!

Attn. Media:
A high-res image of Dr. Shrestha is online at http://bit.ly/JordanHealth

Buddhi M. Shrestha, D.D.S., M.S., Ph.D. a Pediatric Dentist, Oral Consultant & Board Member of the Anthony L. Jordan Health Center, will receive the Myron Allukian Jr. Lifetime Achievement Award of the American Association of Community Dentistry Programs (AACDP). The Award will be presented at the annual AACDP meeting on Sunday April 17, 2016 at the Hilton Netherland Plaza Hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio for outstanding lifetime achievement in community programs to improve oral health.

Dr. Shrestha will receive this award because he has demonstrated throughout his career outstanding contributions and achievements in community dental programs to improve oral health. He has achieved exemplary programmatic and policy accomplishments which have resulted in significant improvements in the community’s oral health and he has shown exceptional and distinguished leadership and service in promoting community dental programs at the local, state, or national level. Dr. Shrestha is the first recipient of this national award from upstate NY.

Dr. Shrestha earned his master’s degree in dental science at the University of Rochester in 1980. In 1985 he joined Anthony I. Jordan Health Center where he served as Staff Pediatric Dentist for nine years. In 1994, he was appointed full time Associate Professor and Director of Eastman Dental Center’s Community Dentistry Program. He joined the Rochester Primary Care Network (RPCN) in 2001 as Vice President for Oral Health and became the Director of the New York State Oral Health Technical Assistance Center (TAC) which continues to be funded by the New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Dental Health. He “retired” in 2013 but has remained active on the AJHC Board of Directors which he chaired for three consecutive 3-year terms. Currently, he is serving as Past Board Chair and Chair of the Health Services and Quality Improvement Committee.

Dr. Shrestha, life member of the American Dental Association and member of the New York State Rural Health Council, continues to be committed to oral health and improving access to dental care for children, particularly in Rochester’s underserved inner-city populations. Dr. Shrestha currently resides in Penfield, NY with his wife, Sheila.