Addison K. May, M.D., FACS, FCCM, professor of Surgery and Anesthesiology, was honored recently with the Barry Shapiro Memorial Award at the 46th Critical Care Congress of the Society of Critical Care Medicine in Honolulu, HI.

The award recognizes an individual who has made significant contributions to the design and/or implementation of evidence-based practice which has significantly impacted clinical, operational, or fiscal outcomes within their area of responsibility. This award recognizes May’s contributions in the creation of the Multidisciplinary Surgical Critical Care Service, advancement of quality and process improvement within the SICU, and history of the unit achieving firsts within the institution.

During his tenure, the SICU has dramatically expanded, introduced greater than 50 evidence-based guidelines and protocols, and was the first to introduce clinical PharmDs and ACNPs within the ICUs at Vanderbilt. May’s team constructed the computer assisted IV insulin protocol used by the institution and introduced infection reduction and antibiotic stewardship initiatives that have had dramatic impact on reducing resistant infections within the unit. He also introduced airway safety processes that have significantly reduced airway loss.

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