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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal to change the name of the Institute for Health Management and Mass Destruction Defense to the Institute for Disaster Management will be an agenda item for the March 20, 2013, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

David E. Shipley, Chair
University Curriculum Committee

cc: Provost Jere W. Morehead
Dr. Laura D. Jolly



The University of Georgia

College of Public Health
Institute for Health Management and Mass Destruction Defense

NAME CHANGE JUSTIFICATION FORM

Department Name Changes:

Current Department Name: Institute for Health Management and Mass Destruction Defense

Proposed Department Name: Institute for Disaster Management

JUSTIFICATION:

Attach a page justifying changes.

SIGNATURES:

School/College: 

Department: 



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College of Public Health

Institute for Health Management and Mass Destruction Defense

January 16, 2013

Dean Phil Williams
College of Public Health
University of Georgia
Athens, GA 30602

Dear Dean Williams:

As we have discussed, I am requesting a name change for the Institute for Health Management and Mass Destruction Defense, to be shortened to the Institute for Disaster Management. This would coincide, of course, with the name of the Certificate in Disaster Management which is already approved by the Curriculum Committees at the College and University, the Graduate School, and the University Council, and has had increasing numbers of students starting and now finishing the program. After discussions with you, the Institute faculty and staff, students, and various stakeholders around the state, it was universally agreed that this simpler name, in line with the Certificate Program, would be a more appropriate designation for the purpose and structure of the Institute.

The functions of the Institute will essentially remain the same, with a gradual expansion over the coming years with larger number of students. The publications and education pertaining to mass destruction defense will continue, along with our participation in wider disaster management issues. As you know, our faculty, staff, and students are active throughout the state of Georgia, participating in disaster management research, training, and exercises that incorporate virtually all the hospitals in the state over the last several years, and the Institute has maintained consistent extramural funding of approximately \$850,000 per year since its inception. I greatly appreciate your support and encouragement as the Institute continues to move forward to serve the disaster management needs of the State of Georgia, as well as continuing our national and international standing in the field.

Sincerely,

Cham Dallas, Ph.D.
Professor and Director
Institute for Health Management and Mass Destruction Defense

Re: Dr. Curtis Harris