

HEAD (Health Emergencies and Disaster) STUDY GROUP Collaboration with PAROS

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HEAD Study Group Profile:

---- established under the National Institutes of Health (NIH) on November 07, 2005.

o **GOALS:**
Achieving excellence in research in the field of Health Emergencies and Disasters; and improving local capacities, human resource expertise and policy development in Health Emergencies and Disasters.

Objectives of the Study Group:

- 1) To achieve excellence in research in the field of emergency health and disasters.
- 2) To involve multispecialty experts in the field of emergency health and disasters.
- 3) To establish institutional linkages with government, NGO, academic and private sector stakeholders, both in the national and international settings.
- 4) To focus on researches that would identify gaps and improve outcomes in disasters.

Research Agenda and Priorities:

- 1) Conduct situational analyses (national and international) of Health Emergencies and Disasters
 - a. Existing policies
 - b. Existing Systems
 - c. Existing Personnel capacity
 - d. Existing Resources
- 2) Create and maintain database of emergency health and disaster, and risk management statistics (including socio-economic components)
- 3) Research and analyze training courses for emergency preparedness, response and rehabilitation.
 - a. Assessment Tools
 - b. Analysis methodologies

Research Agenda and Priorities:

- 4) Conduct research that would study existing gap that would improve outcomes for disasters.
- 5) Conduct researches on the following identified areas:
 - a. Communication, Coordination and Documentation problems in disaster response
 - b. The need for Pre-Hospital Care (Emergency Medical Services) in the Country.
 - c. Capacity of Department of Health (DOH) to respond to Disasters.

Collaboration with PAROS

- o 10 Institutions with accredited Emergency Medicine training program by the Philippine Board of Emergency Medicine
- o 1 institution (Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center) in Cebu City has started a residency program in Emergency Medicine but has not been accredited yet.

- o Recruitment of other major institutions outside of the NCR (National Capital Region)

> DOH (Department of Health) retained hospital institutions located in the 13 Regions to be involved in the proposed National Registry of OHCA in coordination with the PCEM (Philippine College of Emergency Medicine)

- o Data Collection
Based on the approved format of the PAROS Protocol

