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Carol Iddins promoted to director of the Radiation Emergency Assistance Center/Training Site *New director brings 20-plus years of medical expertise*



OAK RIDGE, Tenn.— Dr. Carol J. Iddins has been named director of the Radiation Emergency Assistance Center/Training Site located in Oak Ridge, Tenn.

In this position, Iddins will provide direction and medical leadership while managing the operations of REAC/TS. Dr. Iddins will ensure support to multiple government and non-governmental agencies for national readiness as well as provide advice and consultation for the medical management of radiation injuries and illnesses. She will lead REAC/TS as the United States' only Collaborating Center for radiation emergency management for the World Health Organization and coordinate international response through the International Atomic Energy Agency's Radiation Assistance Network.

Iddins served as associate director of REAC/TS for four years and, prior to that, worked for five years as a staff physician at REAC/TS. In these roles, she provided subject matter expertise for patients with radiological injuries and illnesses; disaster medicine; emergency readiness and preparedness; research; and developing and delivering educational courses. She has participated in many Department of Energy/National Nuclear Security Administration national-level exercises as well as deployments to actual real-world incidents.

“We are thrilled to have someone with Dr. Iddins’ background and proven track record overseeing REAC/TS,” said ORISE Director Jim Vosburg. “She not only has done an excellent job managing the educational courses conducted at REAC/TS, but she also has consulted on many patients while at REAC/TS and deployed on behalf of the International Atomic Energy Agency’s Radiation Assistance Network to examine and consult on numerous patients with radiation injuries, becoming a nationally and globally recognized subject matter expert in the medical management of radiological injuries and incidents.”

Prior to joining REAC/TS, Iddins worked in occupational, aerospace and disaster medicine. She is a diplomate of the American Board of Disaster Medicine and a fellow of the American Academy of Disaster Medicine. Iddins is a decorated United States Air Force veteran of Operation Allied Force, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

Iddins holds a doctor of medicine degree from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of



Medicine, and she completed her residency training in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Tennessee, Chattanooga.

About REAC/TS

REAC/TS is an Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education facility managed by ORAU for the U.S. Department of Energy with the mission to strengthen the medical response to radiological and nuclear incidents. REAC/TS provides 24/7 medical support and deployment to provide emergency medical consultation for incidents involving radioactive materials and ionizing radiation worldwide. REAC/TS also conducts ongoing research into the biological effects of radiation and provides continuing medical education for healthcare providers, other professionals and students. For more information, visit <https://orise.orau.gov/reacts/>

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The Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education is a U.S. Department of Energy asset that is dedicated to enabling critical scientific, research, and health initiatives of the department and its laboratory system by providing world class expertise in STEM workforce development, scientific and technical reviews, and the evaluation of radiation exposure and environmental contamination.

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