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# “Public Health Perspective in Disaster Management”

Public Seminar Series

2:00 – 4:00 pm, Monday 30th April 2018

**Venue:** UNU-IIGH Building, UKM Medical  
Centre, Jalan Yaacob Latif, Bandar Tun Razak,  
56000 Cheras, Kuala Lumpur

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**Dr Haidar** is a Public Health Physician currently posted as Head of Occupational and Environmental Health Unit. He is currently undergoing his sub-specialty training in Environmental Toxicology and on temporary attachment at UNU-IIGH for sub-specialty training in Environmental Health.

He was involved in managing a few natural disasters in the State of Johor and with experience in a number of disaster preparedness activities.

## Abstract

Disasters occur as a result of natural, man-made or hybrid causes that may result in loss of life, material and economic resource; which overwhelms the capacity to cope or to respond.

In the event of a disaster, emergency management goes through four phases of response. These phases are mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery which aims to minimize loss of lives, effect on people, damage to the environment, assets and reputation of relevant parties.

States in Malaysia, including Johor, utilize a three-level disaster management process which correspond to each regional level capacity and capability of disaster response. *Level 1 Disaster Management is designated for district level management committee, Level 2 Disaster Management is designated for state-level management committee and Level 3 Disaster Management is designated for central or national level management committee.* The discussion will focus on public health perspective and experience, for each level of disaster management in Malaysia.



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