I. Terrorist Attack - Institutions must establish methods to protect the personnel and students in response to terrorist attacks.

A. Weapon of Mass Destruction – Definition

1. A weapon of mass destruction includes biological, chemical, incendiary, nuclear or highly explosive material and any combination thereof.

B. General Guidelines

1. Emergency action steps will depend upon the type of device and/or agent used and whether it is used on-campus, in a campus building, or off-campus.

2. The institutional or local law enforcement should develop plans to respond to such situations with established lines of communication to appropriate civil authorities to obtain current information.

C. Action Steps for Initial Responders

1. Notify the institutional Police Department or local law enforcement authority and evacuate the area.

2. Avoid contamination by staying upwind of the hazard, away from the point of the release, and exposed individuals.

3. Do not touch or move any suspicious objects.

4. Minimize the use of cell phones.

5. Physical Plant/Facilities should determine if the use of ventilation systems should be suspended.

6. Affected individuals should quarantine themselves at a safe location, upwind of the hazard.

7. If a hazardous release occurs at the campus perimeter or off-campus, remain indoors until further instruction is given.