

## **Thomas J. Mason, PhD**

Dr. Mason currently serves as Director of the Global Center for Disaster Management and Humanitarian Action at the University of South Florida (USF). Additionally, Dr. Mason serves as the Vice-Chair of the Medical Institutional Review Board for the University. He also holds Joint Professorships in the College of Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine, Divisions of Medical Ethics and Humanities and Global Emergency Medical Sciences. He has most recently been appointed as a Public Member to the Board of Directors of the American Board of Disaster Medicine.

Prior to these appointments, Dr. Mason has served USF in a number of capacities, as Co-Director Center for Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance at USF, as a Professor and Chairperson of the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics in USF's College of Public Health, and as Senior Cancer Epidemiologist in the Genito-Urinary Oncology Program at the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute at USF. Prior to joining the faculty at USF, Dr. Mason served as Adjunct Professor at Georgetown University School of Medicine, Thomas Jefferson University Medical College, Temple University School of Medicine, and at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. In addition to these academic appointments, Dr. Mason has served as the Director of Epidemiologic Research at the Fox Chase Cancer Center, as a Health Statistician and Chief of Population Studies Section at NIH NCI, and as an Aerospace Engineer for NASA.

Dr. Mason received his PhD in statistics from the University of Georgia in 1973 (Dissertation: A Statistical Model for Induced Disease). He received his MS from the University of Georgia in 1968 and his BA summa cum laude from St. Bernard College in 1964. Dr. Mason has authored over 50 peer-reviewed publications and is a member of the editorial board for the *Journal of Applied Environmental Science and Public Health* and the *Journal of Special Operations Medicine*.

Dr. Mason was awarded the USPHS Commendation Medal in 1993 and Special Recognition award in 1976. Dr. Mason is a member of the American Society for Preventive Oncology, the Society for Occupational and Environmental Health, Sigma Xi, AAAS, and Delta Omega National Honor Society for Public Health. Dr. Mason was named Visiting Scientist at AFIP at Walter Reed and has participated in traineeships with the NSF and NASA.

Dr. Mason currently serves in ready reserve as a Special Assistant for Environmental Health in the USPHS. Dr. Mason previously served as CAPT (06) and LT (03) in the USPHS, working at the National Center for Environmental Health and the CDC in Atlanta.