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CEDARVILLE, OHIO -- Dr. Matthew Groenewold, an epidemiologist working with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), will speak Wednesday, April 10, at 10 a.m. at Cedarville University's Health Sciences Center, Room 105, on the topic of Ebola. This event is free and open to the public.

He is also a member of CDC's Global Rapid Response Team and responded to outbreaks of polio in Kenya in 2018, measles in Papua New Guinea in 2017 and Zika in 2016.

Groenewold, a lieutenant commander in the Commissioned Corps of the United States Public Health Service (USPHS), deployed in 2015 to Sierra Leone to support the international response to the West Africa Ebola epidemic.

He was assigned to the rural Kambia District, where he performed Ebola surveillance and case investigation. He also coordinated the training of Republic of Sierra Leone Armed Forces soldiers deployed along the border with Forecariah, Guinea, to conduct Ebola screening at border crossing points.

Groenewold was also deployed for the 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil spill response and participated in the CDC's domestic response to the 2009 influenza pandemic.

He is a veteran of the United States Coast Guard, where he served from 1988-1992. In 1991, he was deployed to the Middle East for Operation Desert Storm. He was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal for his service.

Groenewold has authored or coauthored numerous peer-reviewed journal articles and national conference presentations and a government publication.

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 4,193 undergraduate, graduate and online students in more than 150 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, including its [doctor of pharmacy](#) program, strong graduation and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings and leading student satisfaction ratings. For more information about the University, visit www.cedarville.edu.