

The Boonshoft School of Medicine has submitted the following request for a departmental name change:

The chair and faculty members of the department currently named **“Community Health”** have requested the department be renamed **“Population and Public Health Sciences”**.

This name better embodies the current scope of the education, research, and service efforts of the department including: public and global health education, population and health services research, public and community health outreach, aerospace medical education and research, and biostatistics.

**“Population Health”** is the contemporary term encompassing the bulk of the department’s research enterprise, and would best communicate the department’s role to other institutions. The Master of Public Health program is the largest education program led by the faculty of the department, and operated in partnership with 28 health districts throughout Southwest Ohio and seven academic divisions within Wright State University. The department members seek to specifically identify both these valuable academic enterprises within the department’s name.

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