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Mr. Dave Fluty is the Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction (CWMD) Office in the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). In this position, he leads a multidisciplinary professional and technical staff that works to counter attempts by terrorists or other threat actors to carry out an attack against the United States or its interests using a WMD. Mr. Fluty also serves as the Director of the Office of Health Affairs (OHA) and Acting Chief Medical Officer. As part of this role, Mr. Fluty oversees programs to support government and community stakeholders in preparedness, prevention, and detection efforts for chemical and biological incidents and mass casualty disasters. Mr. Fluty also oversees the internal and external coordination of the Department's medical preparedness and response activities.

Mr. Fluty previously served as the Acting Assistant Secretary and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for OHA, following a 22 year tenure with U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), where he most recently served as the CBP Area Port Director for the Houston/Galveston Seaport. Prior to this assignment, Mr. Fluty was the Deputy Assistant Commissioner of the CBP Office of Training and Development, a senior executive position responsible for ensuring that all employee training and development efforts support CBP's mission and meet the needs of a diverse and dispersed workforce of over 60,000 employees.

Mr. Fluty previously served as the Director of the CBP Southwest Regional Science Center in Houston, Texas, where he was responsible for providing CBP and DHS law enforcement officers with frontline technical assistance and scientific services in many diverse areas that include WMD threats, trade enforcement, forensic analysis, and crime scene investigation. Additionally, he worked closely with the petroleum industry measurement community to develop uniform guidelines and streamline technical reporting requirements for the approval of petroleum measurement systems for CBP custody transfer purposes.

Mr. Fluty began his federal career with U.S. Customs in 1994 as a forensic chemist in the San Francisco Laboratory, where he worked extensively in the country-of-origin analysis of petroleum products. He rapidly assumed positions of increased responsibility, serving at CBP Headquarters as the Director of Scientific Services, providing operational and administrative management of the CBP laboratory system, and as the Deputy Assistant Director of Operational Support at the DHS Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, where he helped develop the interagency nuclear decision protocols to adjudicate nuclear detection events at our nation's borders and abroad.

Mr. Fluty is a graduate of the CBP Senior Executive Service Candidate Development Program. He holds a bachelor's degree in Chemistry from the University of the Pacific and is a Senior Executive Fellow at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government.