The Emory University Department of Emergency Medicine is pleased to announce the appointment of Arthur H. Yancey, II, MD, MPH, Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine, to the position of Medical Director, Grady Emergency Medical Services. For more than a decade, Dr. Yancey has served as an experienced member of the Emory Department of Emergency Medicine Section of Pre-Hospital and Disaster Medicine. He is nationally recognized for his expertise in emergency medical dispatch, alternate strategies for non-emergent 911 calls, EMS readiness for pandemic influenza, and communicable disease preparedness.

Dr. Yancey is a board-certified emergency physician who is a graduate of the University of Michigan School of Medicine. He completed residency training in General Surgery at Howard University, then Burn Surgery at the U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research. He received his public health degree from the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health. He is an active member of the Georgia State EMS Medical Directors Advisory Council and District III EMS Advisory Council. From 2006 to May, 2009, he served as the Deputy Director for EMS in the Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness and the Fulton County Fire EMS Medical Director. He is the son of Dr. Asa Yancey Sr., a retired Emory Professor of Surgery and the former medical director of Hughes Spalding Pavilion, Grady Memorial Hospital.

As a member of the National Association of Emergency Medical Services Physicians (NAEMSP), he is active in exploring the EMS/Public Health interface. He is a member of NAEMSP’s Public Health Committee and is a member of the EMS Medical Director and Public Health Integration Task Force, sponsored by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). This project is developing guidance to promote closer coordination of local EMS medical directors with community public health directors. He is a fellow of the National Academy of Emergency Dispatch (NAED) and serves on its Council of Standards which evaluates suggested improvements to NAED protocols from program centers world-wide.

At the international level, Dr. Yancey is actively involved in the emergency medical and public health planning for the 2010 World Cup Games, exercising his experience as Co-chairman of the EMS and Transportation Subcommittee of the Atlanta Committee for the 1996 Olympic Games.