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### **Notification of Initial Study Exemption Determination**

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**Protocol Title:** Participatory Mapping to Identify and Support at-Risk Populations in Emergency Preparedness  
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**IRB Review Date:** 11/8/2016  
**IRB Effective Date:** 11/8/2016  
**IRB Review Action:** Exempt

This Initial Study submission meets the criteria for exemption per the regulations found at 45 CFR 46.101(b)(2). As such, additional IRB review is not required. For international research, the Principal Investigator is required to comply with any applicable local laws, legislation, regulations, and/or policies. Additionally, if local IRB/ethics review is required, it must be obtained before any human subjects research activities are conducted in the field. If assistance with applicable local requirements is needed, please contact the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health IRB office.

The determination that your research is exempt does not expire, and you will not file annual renewals. If changes to the research are proposed that would alter the IRB's original exemption determination, they should be submitted in ESTR by selecting the Create Modification activity. If unsure, contact the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health IRB office.

The IRB made the following determinations:

- Research Information Security Level: The research is classified, using Harvard's Data Security Policy, as Level 2 Data.

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Sincerely,

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