
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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NAME Lancer D. Stephens	POSITION TITLE Director, Special Populations Core Clinical Research Center		
eRA COMMONS USER NAME (credential, e.g., agency login)			
EDUCATION/TRAINING <i>(Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, include postdoctoral training and residency training if applicable.)</i>			
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	MM/YY	FIELD OF STUDY
University of Central Oklahoma	BS	5/95	Biology/Chemistry
Northeastern State University	MS	5/98	Biology/Education
University of Oklahoma Health Sciences	PhD	5/09	Ethics/Public Policy

A. Personal Statement

For the past 9 years I have been the Director of the Special Populations Core for the Clinical Research Center at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, and during that time have built a trustful working relationship with many of the American Indian tribes of Oklahoma. Myself being American Indian (Wichita & Creek) I believe I have a greater understanding of the trust issues that may still exist between minority groups and university researchers. In part due to historical abuse and in part due to ignorance and misunderstandings on behalf of all parties involved. In my role on this project, I will continue to work with the tribes and the university in further education of research practices and cultural differences with hopes of adding this to our many projects that we have successfully established and completed over the course of almost a decade. Specifically, I will work with the researcher(s) in writing, finalizing and submitting Tribal IRB documents to those tribal nations that have their own Institutional Review Boards for research practices. I will schedule and attend any meetings between the University and the Tribe where a liaison is needed to offset any misgivings of communication on the research being conducted and its benefits to the community. And lastly I will continue to keep the tribes updated on any advances in knowledge, changes in scope or amendments to the project and request permission for any presentations or publications resulting from the research conducted. The latter due to the sovereignty of our tribal partners which is often unfamiliar territory to our University researchers, but required by the tribes to maintain our working relationships.

B. Positions and Honors

1996-1998	Wilma P. Mankiller Health Center (Cherokee Nation) – Surgical Assistant
1998-1998	El Reno Indian Health Service Outpatient Clinic – Clinic Coordinator
1998-2001	Association of American Indian Physicians – Director, HCOP, Student Programs
2001-	OU Health Sciences Center, Clinical Research Center, Director Special Populations Core
2005	Chairman’s Award, Native Youth Preventing Diabetes Project
2005-2008	Data & Safety Monitoring Board Member Evaluation of Project SafeCare
2007-2009	Community Networks Program Steering Committee Member
2008	Outstanding Graduate Multicultural Student Award
2008-	Board of Advocates, OUHSC College of Allied Health
2009-	Faculty, OUHSC, Department of Pediatrics

C. Selected Peer-reviewed Publications

Lamley-Dallas V., Edwards K., **Stephens L.**, Davis B., Joines A., Grim G. "Recruiting Issues: Insights from Older Native Americans". *The Gerontologist*. Vol 45, Special Issue. page 76, October 2005.

Lampley-Dallas VT, Edwards KA, Davis B, **Stephens LD**, Cooper T, Grim, G. Recruiting Native Americans For Research Studies: What Are Their Concerns? (2005). *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*; 55(4):S149-150.

Smith BJ, Leyva M, Aston CE, **Stephens LD**, Baker MZ. Baseline Assessment of Osteoporosis Risk in Oklahoma Native American Women. *Journal of Bone and Mineral Research*; 23:S318, 2008.

Johnson, V.A., Sherman, S. L., Edwards, K., **Stephens, L. D.**, Williams, W., Adair, A. & Deer, M.H. (manuscript submitted; invited). Decisions to participate in Fragile X and others genomics-related research: Native-American and African American voices. (2009) *Journal of Cultural Diversity*, 16(3): 127-135.

D. Research Support

Past

Grant Number: RR 1467-02 PI Name: (Andrews) Dates: 4/1/2005 – 3/31/2008

Sponsor: NIH/NCRR

Title: General Clinical Research Center, GCRC

Purpose: Increase inclusion rates of minority members into clinical research at OUHSC through GCRC

Role: Director (Special Populations Unit)

Present

Grant Number: MD 06-003 PI Name: (Henderson) Dates: 10/1/2007 – 9/30/2012

Sponsor: NIH/NCMHD

Title: Oklahoma Center on American Indian Diabetes Health Disparities, P20

Purpose: Community Engagement/Outreach Core

Role: Co-PI

Pending

Grant Number: 3UL PI Name: (Scofield) Dates: 7/1/10 – 6/30/15

Sponsor: NIH/NCRR

Title: Transforming Clinical and Translational Research in Oklahoma

Purpose: Center grant dedicated to establish an Institute based at the Oklahoma University Health Sciences Center, in partnership with other interested academic, biomedical, and community agencies and groups, to promote the conduct of NIH-funded clinical and translational science in Oklahoma.

Role: Director (Special Populations Outreach Core)