# Committee on Energy and Commerce U.S. House of Representatives Witness Disclosure Requirement - "Truth in Testimony"

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1.	Your Name: Stacy A. Bohlen						
2.	Your Title: Chief Executive Officer, National Indian Health Board						
3.	The Entity(ies) You are Representing: National Indian Health Board						
4.	Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?		No				
5.	Please list any Federal grants or contracts, or contracts or payments originating with a foreign government, that you or the entity(ies) you represent have received on or after January 1, 2015. Only grants, contracts, or payments related to the subject matter of the hearing must be listed.						
	N/A, NIHB receives no funding from foreign governments.						
6.	Please attach your curriculum vitae to your completed disclosure form.						
	See attached						

Signature:	EO, NIHB		3/21/2018	
	Date:			

### **Stacy A. Bohlen**

#### **Professional Experience**

#### National Indian Health Board (NIHB) 910 Pennsylvania Ave., SE, Washington, DC 20003 **Chief Executive Officer**

December 2004/Present

The Chief Executive Officer is the senior staff person for the National Indian Health Board (NIHB) and reports directly to the Board of Directors. The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for planning, directing, and managing the overall operations of the organization. The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for implementing the organization's goals and objectives identified by the Board of Directors. The Chief Executive Officer provides direction, guidance, and advice to the Board of Directors on health issues and legislative issues affecting American Indian and Alaska Native people. The Chief Executive Officer is also responsible for working with the Board of Directors to facilitate the development of Indian Health Service (IHS) budget, preparing a detailed analysis of the IHS budget and the impact it will have on tribal health programs and well as keeping the Board of Directors and Area Health Boards appraised of health related policies, legislation and regulations and their impact upon American Indian and Alaska Native Tribes.

The Chief Executive Officer represents the Board and serves as a liaison for federal, state and local agencies, Tribal governments and private foundations and corporations on health related matters affecting American Indian and Alaska Native people. This position requires that the individual uphold and secure the financial stability and management of the organization and ensures that all financial regulations, requirements and laws are adhered to.

#### Selected Accomplishments

- Achieved permanent reauthorization of Indian Health Care Improvement Act
- Oversaw successful, permanent reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act.
- Brought organization into financial compliance and stability.
- Successfully advocated for the inclusion of Tribes, Tribal governments and Tribal health entities into 109th Congress Senate public health professions bill.
- Created the WIN! Initiative (Well Indian Nations) to achieve \$200 million in newly appropriated monies for disease prevention/health promotion initiatives in Indian Country.
- Enhanced potential for realization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act reauthorization in Congress through the establishment of a broad-based coalition of professionals representing Tribes in the Washington, DC area.
- Provided Federal budget analysis and response to Hill in both witness preparation for congressional hearings and through preparing written testimony.
- Educated NIHB Board about the graduate medical education model as a means to increase the • number of physicians practicing in Indian Country. Board passed motion to pursue.

# **American Indian Higher Education Consortium**

December 2001/December 2004

Alexandria, VA

#### **Director of Federal Relations**

Primary responsibilities: served as liaison to the federal government to enhance financial integrity and opportunity for the nation's 34 Tribal Colleges and Universities; collaborate with the Office of Management and Budget and relevant federal agencies to gain funding increases; served as the Project Director for all public health and related projects and grants; and, manage staff of two.

#### Selected Accomplishments Public Health Projects

- Negotiated \$2.5 million for ongoing, multi-year Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) community-based Diabetes prevention project, while serving as Project Director. Ran competitions for sub-awards to Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs). Managed project nationally.
- Served as Project Director for \$1 million for 5-year CDC Cooperative Agreement to build research infrastructure, capacity, health professions curricula and career opportunities for American Indian students.
- Produced \$450,000, premiere HIV/AIDS prevention media campaign for Indian Country. Recruited tribal college students to develop and appear in the public service announcements; partnered with an American Indian film production house and the Johns Hopkins University Center for American Indian Health. Project funding secured through the HHS Office of Minority Health.
- Negotiated to secure \$110,000 planning grant from the CDC to implement public health curricula at tribal colleges and universities.
- Garnered \$35,000 through EPA to host a math/science professional development summit.

### Federal Relations

- Established annual Federal Relations Symposium for Tribal College and University (TCU) Presidents and federal agencies.
- Negotiator for the renewal of the President's Executive Order 13270, which strengthens Federal opportunities for TCUs.
- Appointed liaison to the President Bush's Board of Advisors on TCUs.
- Created medical school model and funding strategy for proposed National Indian University.
- Secured funding for development of web-based federal opportunities forum for TCUs.
- Advanced proposal for the Department of Justice to implement a multi-year, \$4 million per annum project for curricula and project development in juvenile justice arena.
- Initiated and lead two Annual Federal Relations Symposia featuring prominent Federal executives and opportunities for networking with TCU Presidents.
- Achieved Consortium's adoption of proactive federal budget strategy.

#### New York College of Osteopathic Medicine Educational Consortium Old Westbury, New York Postdoctoral Education Specialist

January 2000/ December 2001

Primary responsibilities: negotiated Medicare's approval of new, federally-funded postdoctoral training positions; worked with the medical school Dean, Board of Directors, Directors of Medical Education and

medical staff of member-academic medical centers to improve program quality; and, ensured accreditation standards were met by 19 academic medical centers.

Selected Accomplishments

- Secured the expansion of the graduate medical education (GME) cap for Nassau County Medical Center with a permanent transfer of \$1.5 million in federally funded residency training positions.
- Developed Core Curriculum/Core Competencies for 466 medical Interns and Residents within a graduate medial education consortium of 19 academic medical centers located in the New York metropolitan area.
- Established Consortia-wide Intern/Resident research competition.
- Established an annual, interdisciplinary Grand Rounds medical seminar designed for medical Residents and faculty.
- Provided technical assistance with establishing new residency training programs within memberacademic medical centers.
- Appointed Director of a national health policy fellowship for osteopathic Interns and Residents.
- Appointed Director of a national health policy fellowship for practicing osteopathic physicians.

1992/1999

**American Osteopathic Association** Washington, DC

### Deputy Director, Washington Office/Director, Congressional Affairs

Primary responsibilities: provided the full compliment of policy analysis and counsel, political strategic planning and advancement of legislative and regulatory goals; served as the Association's chief representative to the US Congress, federal agencies and the White House; prepared witnesses for congressional testimony; drafted legislation, amendments and testimony; prepared Department's budget; served as Director and elected Assistant Treasurer of the Osteopathic Political Action Committee; supervised staff of seven.

#### Selected Accomplishments

- Successfully championed passage of stand-alone federal legislation for osteopathic physicians who care for Medicaid-dependent pregnant women and their minor children.
- Co-authored "White Paper," <u>Alternative Financing for Osteopathic Graduate Medical Education</u>, through the AOA Task Force on GME Financing Reform. An In-Depth analysis of GME financing and the future of residency training funding.
- Built a broad, reliable network of relationships with Members of Congress, Federal Agency officials and State Executives.
- Established the GOAL Program (Grassroots Osteopathic Action on Legislation). Through direct and personal outreach, built the program to 10,000 members.
- Appointed Assistant Professor for Health Policy by the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine to teach the congressional policy making and advocacy portion of the National Health Policy Fellowship for osteopathic physicians.
- Served as keynote speaker for numerous State and Specialty Society meetings.
- Identified and trained Association members for service on key federal advisory panels and successfully negotiated appointments to several (e.g., Medicare Payment Advisory Commission; Council on Graduate Medical Education; Practicing Physicians Advisory Council; National Practitioner Data Bank).

- Built Osteopathic PAC to capacity of sustaining a full time PAC manager.
- Served as a successful Acting Director of the Washington Office for two years.

## **United States Congressman Bob Traxler**

Washington, DC

## Legislative Assistant

Primary responsibilities included assisting with Appropriations Committee activities; providing policy analysis on telecommunications, trade and health care; prepared memoranda, position papers and responses to constituent legislative queries; meetings with industry representatives; analyzed policy options and made recommendations, and; wrote floor statements and speeches.

## Michigan State Senator Jim Barcia

Lansing, Michigan

## Legislative/Staff Assistant

Primary responsibilities included serving as a liaison between the Senator and constituents on local and state issues and on special projects.

## <u>Education</u>

Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland Master of Arts in Government, ABT Concentration in Health Policy: Forthcoming Thesis: "Graduate Medical Education Financing: Welfare for the Prosperous?"

## **Board and Advisory Committee Memberships**

## National Native American AIDS Prevention Center

Denver, Colorado President – Elected 2010 Board Member, 2006-2013

Washington Internship For Native Students (WINS) Advisory Board American University Elected - 2010

Advise and counsel the Dean of the Washington Semester Program regarding WINS objectives, strategies, goals, problems and opportunities; Participate in and contribute to the academic life of WINS through interaction with students and faculty; 3. Help identify and establish internship opportunities for WINS students and interact with student interns and their supervisors; 4. Assist WINS in seeking public and private philanthropic support that will enable the program to achieve its mission; 5. Serve as an advocate for WINS, publicly and privately, to enhance the reputation of its programs, faculty and graduates, and to increase public awareness of its accomplishments and needs.

Institute for the Advancement of Multicultural & Minority Medicine

Oakland University, 1987

Rochester Hills, Michigan Bachelor of Arts in Political Science Minor in Performing Arts

1988-91

1987

A Compelling Collaboration to End Childhood Obesity Advisory Committee Member January 2009 – 2013

# **Board of Scientific Counselors (BSC). Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response (OPHPR)**

The Board provides advice and guidance to the Director, CDC and to the Director, OPHPR on specific needs of this Office that are technical in nature, including scientific and strategic direction of OPHPR programs, and provide external peer review of both extramural and intramural research and science programs. The Board's charter authorizes non-voting liaison representatives from partner organizations to participate in Board meetings. The function of the liaison representatives is to represent the views of their organizations in the Board's deliberation, and to keep their organizations informed of the Board's activities and recommendations.

## **ATSDR Chemical Exposure National Advisory Council**

#### <u>Affiliations</u>

- Sault Sainte Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians enrolled member
- Arlington County 4-H Youth Theatre Director