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Jane Rodriguez-Jackson, RD, MPH, PhD Biographical Sketch

Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson received her doctorate in 1987 in the field of clinical nutrition with an emphasis in **behavior modification** from the **University of New York**. During her training Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson was a National Institutes of Health (NIH) predoctoral trainee and a Ford Foundation Fellow at the University's Nutrition Research Laboratory. After receiving her doctorate, Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson was a Postdoctoral Fellow in the Nutritional Endocrinology Center at the University of North Dakota (UND). Before joining the Department of Health Disparities Research at University of Arkansas (UA) in 1990, Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson was an Instructor in the Departments of Clinical Nutrition at UND.

Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson is presently associate **Professor** in the **Departments of Health Disparities Research and Behavioral Science at UA**. Since 1998, she has served as Director of the Obesity/Diabetes Endocrinology Center. Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson is a member of the graduate faculty at the University of Arkansas Graduate School for Biomedicine. She served as Co-Principal Investigator and Southwest Regional Co-Chair of the National Minority Leadership Initiative on Cancer (NMLIC) from 1996 to 2000. Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson also served as a member of the Board of Directors of the National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship from 1990 to 1995, a member of the National Advisory Complimentary and Alternative Medicine Council of the National Institutes of Health from 2000 to 2004, as well as a member of the Nutrition Health Council of the American Institute for Cancer Research. Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson has served on a number of review committees, including the 1995 Department of Defense Women's Health Research Project of the Institute of Medicine (IOM) of the National Academy of Sciences. She presently serves on the IOM Nutritional Committee. Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson also serves as a scientific consultant on diet, ethnicity and obesity to the Kellogg's Company. Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson is a member of the Intercultural Cancer Council.

Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson has devoted extensive personal and professional time to the subject of minorities and medically underserved. Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson has either chaired or co-chaired a number of major events regarding the underserved and cancers, including two Biennial Symposia on Minorities, the Medically Underserved & Cancer as well as the American Cancer Society's Regional Hearings on Nutrition and Cancer.

As a researcher and educator, Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson has done extensive research into the relationship between diet, behavior modification and obesity reduction. Her present work involves determining the mechanism by which natural and environmental agents/supplements may initiate/reduce cancer. She is presently conducting two clinical trials to determine the role of diet, ethnicity, total body composition and supplements in breast and prostate cancer. Dr. Rodriguez-Jackson is a member of the American Association for Cancer Research, the Association for Breast Cancer Research, the American Dietetic Association, the American Association for the Advancement of Science. She has authored over 20 publications and book chapters.