

## SPOTLIGHT ON JOHN STONE

Each month we "spotlight" someone who has made a difference with the ICF, and this month we focus on Dr. John Stone. Item 2 above attests to John Stone's success in winning a \$2.5 million grant from NIDRR for CIRRIE-2, with ICF being a key component. John managed and directed CIRRIE-1, which also had important ICF activities. The mission of CIRRIE-2 (Center for International Rehabilitation Research Information and Exchange) is to facilitate the sharing of information and expertise between rehabilitation researchers in the U.S. and those in other countries (<http://cirrie.buffalo.edu/>). The CIRRIE-1 project developed a database of 25,000 published articles on rehabilitation research conducted outside the U.S. Also as part of the CIRRIE-1 project he served as the Editor of a 12-volume monograph series on the cultures of persons with disabilities who have immigrated to the U.S. from other countries, as well as a newly published book, *Culture and Disability: Providing Culturally Competent Services* (SAGE Publications). Stone is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Rehabilitation Science at the State University of New York at Buffalo. Prior to joining the faculty of the University of Buffalo, he worked for 17 years as a faculty member in several universities in Brazil. In 1991 he returned to the U.S. where he became Dissemination Director of the Center for Assistive Technology at the University at Buffalo and its NIDRR-funded Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center on Aging. He is also a former Peace Corps Volunteer (India, 1967-69). Since 1999 he has been directing the CIRRIE project. John's PhD is from Florida State University in 1976. John currently teaches graduate courses on "Functional Limitations and Disability", and "Academic Writing and Presenting". He is a member of the faculty of the PhD Program in Rehabilitation Sciences and has served as Coordinator of Grant Development and conducted workshops on grant development. He speaks fluent Portuguese and Spanish. Contact information: John Stone, PhD, Director, Center for International Rehabilitation Research Information and Exchange, 515 Kimball Tower, University at Buffalo, State University of New York, Buffalo, NY 14214, [jstone@buffalo.edu](mailto:jstone@buffalo.edu), tel 716-829-3141 x 125, fax 716-829-3217, web <http://cirrie.buffalo.edu>