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Dr. Stowers continues to be a leader in osteopathic medicine, as well as an advocate for rural healthcare. He graduated from Phillips University in Enid, Oklahoma, and received his D.O. degree from the University of Health Sciences College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kansas City, Missouri. He completed an internship at Tulsa Regional Medical Center. He is board certified in family practice by the American Board of Osteopathic Family Physicians, and is a fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (A.C.O.F.P.). In 2006, Dr. Stowers was named Family Physician of the Year by the A.C.O.F.P. Dr. Stowers practiced as a rural physician in Medford, Oklahoma, for 25 years, where he was the only doctor in his county.

Dr. Stowers' leadership positions have been extensive, including president of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association, past member of the Board of Trustees of A.C.O.F.P., commissioner and chairman of the Oklahoma Physician Manpower Training Commission, and past commissioner of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC), advising Congress on Medicare issues. He currently serves on the American Osteopathic Association's Board of Trustees and Council on Federal Health Programs, and is a National Advisory Councilor for Rural Health Works.

Dr. Stowers' continuing interests are innovations in medical education, rural healthcare delivery policy and national physician manpower and training issues.