



Carolina Population Center

In 1966, the Carolina Population Center was founded at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. To celebrate its 40th anniversary in 2006, a project was conducted to document the history of the Center. This transcript is an excerpt from an oral history interview.

Interviewee: Estelle Mabry

Interview conducted by: Grace Camblos

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Estelle Mabry was secretary for Thomas L. Hall, former CPC Director, from 1974 – 1977, and worked with Dick Udry, CPC Director, in 1977 and 1978.

EM: It was the most extraordinary place for women I've ever worked. It was run by women. I mean, it really was. TIS had Bates [Buckner]. Betty Cogswell ended up running the international programs for Dr. Kaluzny. And Vaida Thompson was doing the NIH stuff. I mean, there were lots of very strong women there, who were great role models for the women students who came through, and for the women who worked there. Ruth Crabtree, and...it was just amazing!