About the Series
This new series is focused on sharing the healing practices from each culture to bring awareness to other health practitioners, patients and families with hopes of education, awareness about how these heritage healing practices compliment western medicine with positive health outcomes for patients, ultimately, creating health equity.

September 8th
3:00 - 4:00 pm

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Heritage Healing Practices

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Zoom Link availability

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Dr. Gonzales is an American Indian physician (Pascua Yaqui) who has worked as a practicing Family Physician for 21 years. In that time, he founded a clinic for his tribe, the New Pascua Yaqui Reservation Satellite clinic of the El Rio Neighborhood Health Center southwest of Tucson Arizona. He also worked as an intercity family physician and administrator at the El Rio Neighborhood Health Center in Tucson Arizona for 8 years and as a rural family physician at the Patagonia Family Health Center - a satellite clinic of the Mariposa Community Health Center of Nogales Arizona for 13 years. For those 21 years he was also a mentor and advisor for Indian and other students who had aspirations to become physicians. He has been a lifelong advocate for improving healthcare services to the underserved, including Indians, through his service in both the Arizona Academy of Family Physicians and the American Academy of Family Physicians. As a grandson of traditional healers and an apprentice to a traditional sweatlodge leader, he has intimate knowledge of Traditional Indian Medicine. He uses this knowledge to facilitate the collaboration between Western Allopathic Medicine and Traditional Healers. This knowledge base is also useful in helping aspiring American Indian youth interested in the healing professions feel comfortable with the complexities of the Western healing culture and practices.