

ABSTRACT

A QUALITATIVE STUDY ON CURANDERISMO HEALING IN FRESNO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

The purpose of this study was to conduct a qualitative analysis on curanderismo healing in Fresno County. This research examined six research questions that were answered by traditional curandero healers. These research questions provided information on how curandero healers diagnose, provide treatment, and educate their clients about their services. Data were collected from five traditional curandero healers in Fresno County.

The results from this study of curanderismo healing in Fresno County provided information on how curanderos diagnose a particular ailment based on clients' symptoms. Treatment provided to clients by the curandero healers includes spiritual healings, cleansings, and herbal remedies. Curandero healers provide education to their clients regarding their ailments or needs and provide holistic care to them. This qualitative study of curanderismo healing provided information on traditional alternative healing methods in Fresno County.

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