

Interviewee: Connie Edgar

Location: Conejos County Nursing Service, La Jara, Colorado

Time: 2:30pm

Date: 02/25/2015

Interview protocol:

Thanks for having us down, Connie. It's certainly wonderful to have the opportunity to spend the afternoon with you. The basic idea of this interview is to have a casual conversation about the San Luis Valley and specifically about your experiences here as a resident and nurse practitioner.

With that being said, let's go ahead and get started. Sound good?

To start off, can you please tell us your full name, your current occupation, and the programs that you oversee as the Public Health Nurse for Conejos County?

Can you share with us a little about what makes you feel connected to the Valley?

Where is it that you call home, and what are some ways you stay connected to your community?

It seems that you have a deep passion for the healthcare of the people in the Valley, can you explain a little more about your work here in the Valley and specifically about what inspires you to do the work you do?

The SLV is a very unique place with deep cultural traditions. Can you share with us some of your cultural beliefs and traditions?

How do your beliefs and traditions affect the way you feel about the Valley? And how do they influence the way you approach your work?

In your time in the valley what types of changes have you noticed in regards to health and healthcare?

Do you think that these changes been for the better? Why or why not?

In your experience have you noticed any differences in way of health outcomes here in the Valley?

Related to that, are there any particular groups that have more/less access to healthcare than others?

Also, can you tell us about your experiences, if any, with the Guatemalan immigrants and the health issues they face?

What, in your opinion, are the major contributing factors to health disparities in the Valley?

What rolls do gender, ethnicity, or age play in people's health outcomes, as well as access to health care, in the Valley?

What is your favorite place in the Valley/ and why?

What identities do you hold for yourself and why? For example: I am a healthcare provider, I am a woman, etc.