Healing Across Cultures: Learning from Traditions

Symposium Schedule

9:00 a.m. - Welcome

Leo Jeffres, Ph.D.
Interim Vice Provost for Research & Interim Dean of Graduate Studies

Mieko Smith, Ph.D.
Director, BAHI
Professor, School of Social Work

Bette Bonder, Ph.D.
Interim Dean, College of Science

9:15 a.m. - Opening Remarks

Todd Pesek, M.D.
Director, CHAC
Assistant Professor, Health Sciences
“Traditions and health: a new way forward”

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 noon

Listening to Native American Traditional Healers
Moderated by Murali Nair, Ph.D. Professor, School of Social Work

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Lunch - traditional foods and music

2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Listening to Practitioners and Researchers in Integrative Medicine
Moderated by Lonnie Helton, Ed.D.
Associate Professor of Social Work

Caldwell Esselstyn, M.D.
Preventive Cardiologist, Cleveland Clinic
“Prevent and Reverse Heart Disease”

Vasant Joshi, Ph.D.
Visiting Professor, Cleveland State University
“India’s Healing and Therapeutic Paradigm: Ayurveda and Yoga”

4:30 p.m. - Closing Remarks

Maggie Jackson, Ph.D.
Professor & Director
School of Social Work
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Honored Guests

Jerry Coleman  
Cherokee Elder and Healer  
Cherokee, NC

Ila Hatter  
Appalachian Herbalist and Interpretive Naturalist  
Cherokee, NC

George Brown  
Ojibway Elder and Medicine Man  
Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation  
Ontario, Canada

John Brown  
Ojibway Elder and Medicine Man  
Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation  
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John Washco  
Ojibway Sweatman, Healer, Fasting and Drummer  
Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation  
Migizi Wozosun  
Geneva, Ohio

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