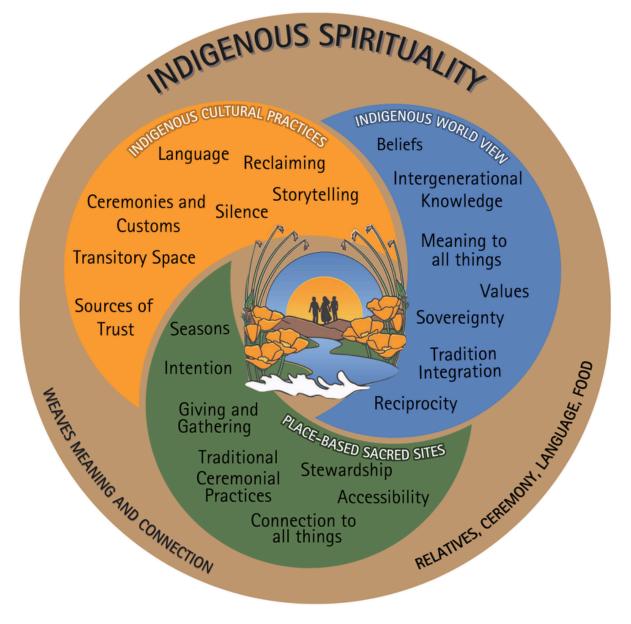
Cultural Guideposts of Health Addressing Crisis in California Indian Country





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The Cultural Guideposts of Health Toolkit is meant for people familiar with cultural practices to determine how well an approach addresses the most important aspects of a community's culture in crisis response and other interventions. Each colored crescent represents one of the Culture as Health (Yamane and Helm, 2022) domains and its corresponding Guideposts of Health. In this model, Guideposts of Health include: Indigenous Cultural Practices, Indigenous World View, and Place-Based Sacred Sites, all in the context of Indigenous Spirituality.

Guideposts of Health may be included under more than one category and reflect the fluidity of these concepts. This model considers the diverse cultural landscape of California Indian Country, including differences between urban and rural experiences. Each Tribe, Rancheria, or individual can use the model to evaluate evidence-based practices for addressing crisis in their own community, organization, or program.

Ask the following questions for each Guidepost as you consider implementation in your community: "Does the intervention, approach, or program include these Cultural Guideposts of Health? What is present? What essential Guideposts are missing?"



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