NATIVE VOICES: NATIVE PEOPLES CONCEPTS OF HEALTH AND ILLNESS EXHIBITION COMING TO CAMPUS

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Fresno State's Henry Madden Library Diversity Committee will host the traveling exhibition "Native Voices: Native Peoples' Concepts of Health and Illness" during normal library hours from Sept. 19 through Oct. 23. The free, public interactive exhibition will be on display in the Leon S. Peters Ellipse Gallery on the second floor (north wing) of the library.

The exhibition explores the interconnectedness of wellness, illness and cultural life for Native Americans, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians. Stories drawn from both the past and present examine how health for Native People is tied to community, the land and spirit. Through interviews, natives describe the impact of epidemics, federal legislation, the loss of land and the inhibition of culture on the health of individuals and communities today.

The U.S. National Library of Medicine developed and produced "Native Voices: Native Peoples' Concepts of Health and Illness." The American Library Association Public Programs Office, in partnership with the U.S. National Library of Medicine, tours the exhibition to America's libraries.

A free, public, catered opening reception will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sept. 23 outside the Leon S. Peters Ellipse Gallery on California Native American Day. To RSVP for the opening reception, enter code "LIBVOICES" at www.fresnostate.edu/libraryrsvp or call Gregory Megee at 559.278.2595. Reception and weekend parking is free.

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