Biography

Julie was raised in the small mountain town of La Veta, Colorado, in the southern part of the state. In 1968, she became a registered nurse at the age of 19. There were many modalities of nursing that she experienced. One of the most rewarding was being one of the Non-Indian team members to visit reservations throughout the United States to assess healthcare related to children in Head Start. After 28 years of nursing experience in pediatrics, obstetrics, medical surgical and cardiac nursing, she ventured into Public Health. She was the Director of the Alamosa Public Health Department for the final 18 years of her career. Julie has been a Community Advisory Board member for the Rocky Mountain Prevention Research Center since 2002 and is familiar with Community-Based Prevention Research. Julie currently works part time with the State of Colorado, 12th Judicial District, as a Juvenile Screener.