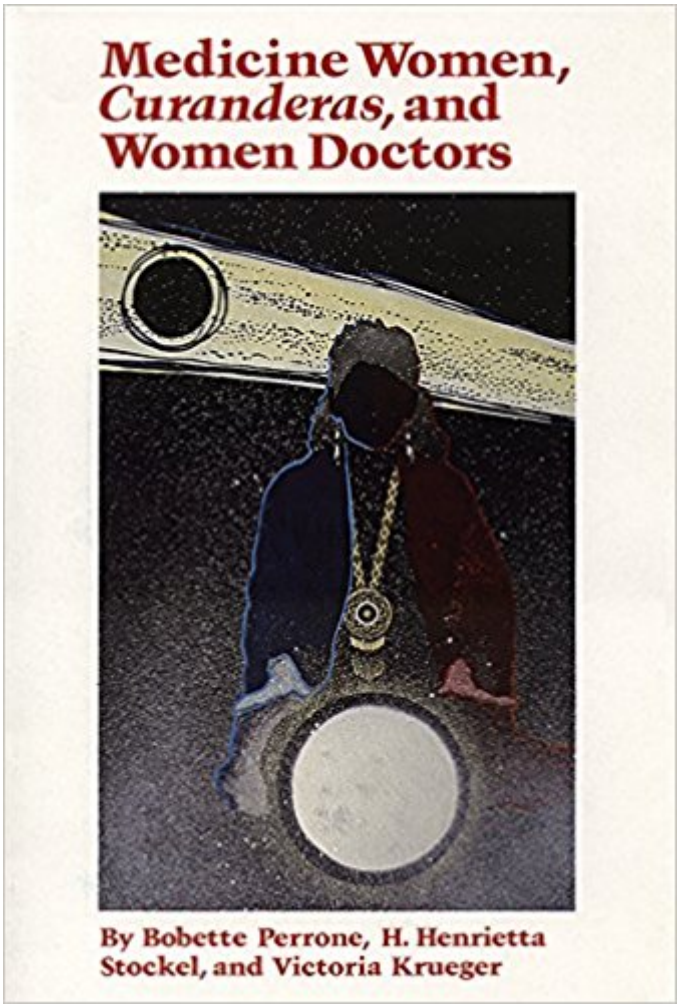
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Synopsis

The stories of ten women healers form the core of this provocative journey into cultural healing methods utilized by women. In a truly grass-roots project, the authors take the reader along to listen to the voices of Native American medicine women, Southwest Hispanic curanderas, and women physicians as they describe their healing paths.This book will fascinate anyone interested in the relationship between illness and healing-medical practitioners and historians, patients, anthropologists, feminists, psychologists, psychiatrists, theologians, sociologists, folklorists, and others who seek understanding about our relationship to the forces of both illness and healing.

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Using the voice of each healer was a brilliant way of showing the way of the women’s practice. The stories together give an appreciation of the feminine role in healing. Women have a way of nurturing and a spirituality that is powerful, a way of relating to the patient that is supportive and empowering.I also enjoyed the history of witches. It gave me an understanding of how women and the natural healing practices became oppressed and undervalued. It illustrated the extreme violence the

insecure patriarchal society will resort to in order to maintain control. Although women are no longer burned at the stake in our society, some of the residual attitudes remain.And the reflections of each of the authors tied the stories together and brought out points that I might have missed otherwise.All healers should read this book. Their point of view of their own practice and of their patients would grow into something more meaningful and effective.All women should read this book. Their respect for themselves and their own healing power within would grow.All patients should read this book in order to realize the care that they are thirsting for.

I love this book very much because it discussed different aspects of medical anthropology, which is the objective of our class. Also, I love it due to its respect, and appreciation to Navajo healing practices as well as Hispanic culture. It honors women healers as the title of the book states. Everyone in the medical field should spare some time to read this because it is very eye opening and interesting to read.

I liked having bio-sketches of women living today included with those from women long ago. The continuity of women's wisdom over time was made clear.

Great stories, they go into the past...and invaluable insights. Would highly recommend to anyone interested in varied ways of looking at medical, to include Native ways.

Beautifully and authentically written with intent to preserve and reflect the spirit of traditional healing practices.

The book is highly dated now, and written from a Euro-American mindset that lacks understanding of indigenous culture--even though the book attempted to shine light on it, it's done in a way that is typical of non-natives. More could've been shared about the elders, in general. Disappointing.

it was a book for a class but i still managed to read the chapters that weren't assigned its a very interesting book.

So it was published in 1991. The ideas they're writing about were established hundreds of years ago.This book is written in 4 parts. Part one, medicine women. Part two, cuanderas. Part three, female doctors. Part four, the authors reflections.In each part they interview three women who

practice their healing art.Informative.

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