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Sara is deeply passionate about nursing and holds a strong vision for what the discipline and profession have to offer... bringing the best medical and healing sciences together to heal the world. She have worked in academic and practice settings for 35 years as an advanced practice psychiatric mental health nurse, teacher/practitioner, consultant, program director, caring science endowed chair, and academic/practice partnership director. She has co-authored a number of books on Reflective Practice, Caring Science and Caritas Coaching. In the holistic realm, she is a Caritas Coach, HeartMath Trainer, Reiki Practitioner, and Healing Circle Facilitator. Through her healing journey, she has learned the necessity of connecting to ones own inner sources of

wisdom, power and healing as well as the arts and humanities that once defined nursing. "We all have unique gifts and talents to share waiting to be discovered so that we can live out our lives potential."

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Erica Hooper-Arana has a personal mission in life to use her gifts to help others advance their health and transformative processes to reach their greatest potential and healthiest selves. She is a registered nurse, referring to herself as a holistic practitioner, with 18 years of nursing experience working in various specialties within the nursing profession. Erica began working for the Kaiser Permanente as a Regional Program Manager for the Scholars Academy in February of 2020. She has been teaching nursing at the University of San Francisco (USF) since 2005 and currently co-facilitates a health and wellness course to help prepare future health professionals to remain resilient while providing quality care to others. Erica has a passion for alternative healing practices as well as promoting the health and wellness of vulnerable populations. She is a certified HeartMath trainer, life & spiritual coach, Caritas Coach, health coach, meditation/yoga teacher, and massage/reiki practitioner. She enjoys writing and is a published author. In 2020 she was introduced to Healing Circles Global and was trained to facilitate circles. Prior to Healing Circles Global, she has facilitated numerous healing circles with women and youth. Her greatest joy is her three children who consistently teach her that the most marvelous gift you can give anyone is your presence. Her life motto is to follow the heart and allow what is to simply be.