

The Soil Eye.

Curanderismo and curanderos still play important roles in the distant suburban areas of New Mexico. The presence has proved to be an excellent intermediary between the people and modern medicine. For example, many curanderos still perform the function of midwife for births. Today, many do this with the addition of specialized training from UNM's Medical School.

On the other hand, their knowledge of plants, etc., has become a new and often valuable source of information for modern medicine.

~~The~~ In the Rio Grande Valley, like much of Northern New Mexico, curanderos have been an integral part of society for decades.