

## **Connie Reed-Jeter**

Of Native American decent Connie was raised near Happy Camp California. Connie started working in the Health Care industry in 1976 as a nurse's aid, and then moved on to Seaside Memorial Hospital in Crescent City California in 1979. In 1981 Connie moved back to Happy Camp where she worked for the Inter Tribal Council of California in the Head Start Program.

In 1992 Connie started working with the RPMS system for Patient Registration on Indian patients only. Connie continued to get training on the RPMS system and feels strongly that it is one of the most comprehensive health systems. Connie has since then become an RPMS junkie opening herself up to the PCC and CHS packages.

Connie continued to show the doctors the value of an automated system by developing reports and letters regarding patients due for immunizations and annual exams. Within a short period of time doctors and administrators were coming to her with suggestions for improved notes and changes in procedures to improve the workflow of getting additional information into the system.

Connie became the Site Manager for the Karuk Tribe in 1994, and along with that title came the responsibility for all the computers, computer systems and servers. Connie was also now responsible for the entire RPMS system.

Connie had been so successful with RPMS that the State of California asked her to undertake an RPMS development project. The Office of Statewide Planning and Development required information to compile every year for licensing. Connie undertook the project and MUMPS and M Programming and worked successfully with the California Area Office and Cimarron to develop this report. Connie has successfully managed other projects with HL7 interface with Unilab to develop an interface for the lab system so the results would be gathered and every night automatically entered into the patient record in RPMS. This interface is still running in several California Area Clinics.