Dr. Virgilio Licona Video Segments

Segment 1. Personal Background and Historical Setting
Presents Dr. Licona’s early life growing up in Texas and California, his enrolling in Colorado State University (CSU), his marriage and the political climate in the United States during the 1960’s and 1970’s.

Segment 2. The Chicano and Anti-war Movements
Chronicles Dr. Licona’s involvement in the United Mexican American Students (UMAS) at CSU and the college Anti-Vietnam War seminal events. He presents his belief that Chicanos could make a difference.

Segment 3. Giving Back to the Community
Presents the Chicano and Dr. Licona’s philosophy of the importance “giving back to the community”. Dr. Licona becomes aware of the “Health Care Issues” and his time in La Junta and Rocky Ford, Colorado during the early 1970’s. It includes his founding of and serving as Director of “La Clinica del Valle” in Rocky Ford, Colorado.

Segment 4. Becas Para Aztlán
Presents the La Raza Unida’s and the Mexican government’s agreement to fund Chicanos to study in Mexico and obtain doctoral degrees. Dr. Licona talks about studying in Mexico during 1978 and his obtaining a Medical Degree from the Autonomous University of Hidalgo.

Segment 5. Return to Northern Colorado
After serving his Residency at the University of North Dakota, Dr. Licona returns to northern Colorado in 1991 and begins work at the Salud Family Health Center and for Health Care for All.

Segment 6. Managed Health Care
Dr. Licona learns about managed health care issues during his time in Fargo and becomes the State-wide Medical Director of Colorado Access.

Segment 7. Salud Family Health Center’s Success
Chronicles Dr. Licona’s work in making the Salud Family Health Centers a success. It presents the work of 40 years of the Salud Family Health Centers.

Segment 8. Virgil Licona, MD: Product of the Chicano Movement
Presents Dr. Licona as a product of the Chicano Movement. He cites one of the most important goals of the Chicano Movement was to motivate educated Chicanos and Chicanas to return and to contribute to the betterment of the Chicano Community.