# Exploring Qualitative Interviewing and Analysis Techniques to Yield Deep and Nuanced Findings

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#### This Journey

- How do tribal child welfare programs incorporate culture into their approach and service delivery?
- Findings that emerged were often superficial or incomplete
  - o . . . and different from what I observed in the field
- Were our qualitative data collection & analysis processes capable of capturing the subtleties of culture?
- Revisited studies through a meta & synthesizing lens

#### This Journey

- Within their narratives and for most interview questions, interviewees were actually sharing ways they incorporate culture.
- For these individuals, culture was inherent and integrated.
- Identifying expressions of culture required us to look in different ways and in different places.
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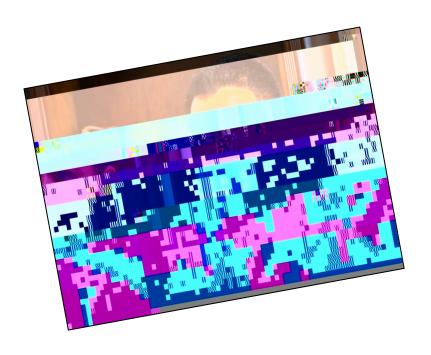
#### Findings

#### TRIBAL CHILD WELFARE

Practice Framework

### Qualitative Data Collection Interviewing and Observing

 Trusting yourself as a researcher to be able to go with the interview encounter



- Grounding yourself in the context and subject area
- Combining observation with interviews whenever possible

#### Qualitative Data Analysis

- Fracturing your data less
- Do you see meaning better from the whole or the parts?
- Moving away from 1-2 word themes to "findings statements"





## Time for Discussion and Learning Together

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