Meet Our Practitioners

JulieAnn Nugent-Head, Chief Practitioner

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After formal study and completion of a master's degree in Oriental medicine, JulieAnn opened a clinic outside of Boulder Colorado. While she was excited to be in practice, without residency under experienced doctors, she quickly realized that her training in the United States did not adequately prepare her to profoundly affect the health of the critically ill.

After summer internships in Beijing in 2004 & 2005, JulieAnn moved to China full time to learn Chinese and study under two of Beijing's most famous practitioners Dr Li Hongxiang (1924-) and Dr Chen Tongyun (1922-)

During JulieAnn's 8+ years studying under great doctors and treating patients in private practice, JulieAnn gained invaluable experience treating chronic illness and acute conditions while being part of the fabric of a rural Chinese community. JulieAnn completed her doctorate level medical degree in Chinese at the Zhejiang University of Chinese Medicine focusing on the classical perspective of herb use.



Through her studies with the classic texts, JulieAnn found brilliance in the scope of practice and tangibility of Chinese medicine as practiced by the ancients. Neither esoteric nor scientific perspectives in the west today accurately convey the theory outlined in the original Chinese texts still accessible to those who can read them. JulieAnn lectures internationally on this topic in the hopes to return Chinese medicine to the forefront as a comprehensive medical system, and an effective treatment choice for patients with all constitutions