



Raymond Reid, MPH '81

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Distinguished Alumnus Award

Dr. Reid earned an MPH from BSPH in 1981, completed a Preventive Medicine Residency in 1982, and joined the BSPH faculty thereafter. He received his MD from the University of Utah in 1979. Among the first Native American physicians trained in public health, he has applied this knowledge to life-saving work with Native American populations for 40 years, including the White Mountain Apache, San Carlos Apache, Hopi, and Navajo tribes. Working and living on both the White Mountain Apache and Navajo reservations since 1983, he has made outstanding contributions to the health of Native populations that have scaled to the globe, saving millions of children's lives, including: landmark studies on Oral Rehydration Solution and treatment of diarrheal diseases that have changed international policies; pivotal studies to prove new vaccines for H.influenzae type B (Hib), Pneumococcal disease and Rotavirus that affected Native children at higher rates. These vaccines are now the standard of care throughout the world; and co-founding the Center for American Indian Health's Training program, through which he has mentored hundreds of Native American health care workers and researchers.

Dr. Reid, as the first Navajo alumnus of Johns Hopkins, has combined the highest standards of excellence with a humanitarian compassion that knows no bounds. He has been singularly focused on promoting health and educational equity for Native Americans, who have suffered the most deep-seeded disparities in the US.