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Valerie was born and raised in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and has a Master's Degree of Arts, in Communication Studies from NMSU. With fifteen years of experience in the field of behavioral health, she created her own business providing on-site wholistic care for social workers. Valerie is an award-winning Rosary Artist who is Internationally Certified as a Polarity Therapy Professional. She holds certifications in Herbalism, Essential Oils, and Cranial Sacral Therapy.