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Dr. Lente is a board-certified general surgeon who lives in El Paso, TX and serves as the Associate Dean of Clinical Education & Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine in Surgery at the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine. She is Native American, grew up in Isleta Pueblo, NM, and attended the University of New Mexico for both pharmacy and medical school. After medical school, she attended the University of Arizona where she completed a general surgery residency in 2007. She completed an AOA health care policy fellowship in 2018 with the final presentation “A New Direction for Improving Native American Health and Health Care”.

She has practiced general surgery in rural and underserved practice settings including Tuba City, AZ where she served both Navajo and Hopi patients. She is a mentor to underrepresented minority students and the advisor and sponsor for the Student National Medical Association at Burrell College since its founding as well as Protect NM which provided PPE to Native communities during COVID-19.

She is the mom of a 10 year old son and 8 year old daughter.