



## **NATALIE TUĀLEMOSO AH SOON, MPH**

She is a proud native of American Samoa, born at LBJ and raised in Faleasao, Manu'a. Her upbringing is described as abundance in multiples, which guides her leadership, informs her approach to work, and reflects her style of developing programs that appeal to the heart and souls of intended audiences. She understands the value of cultivating relationships and harnessing its power to influence the right people to do the right thing to improve everything that impacts health so everyone has the opportunity to be healthy and thriving.

She is a visionary and systems-changer committed to advancing health and mental health equity. She's a strong proponent of collaborative culture to achieve optimal health and mental health outcomes across the lifespan and among all communities. Currently, she is the Director of Population-Focused Programs at RAMS, Inc. Her roles and programs are many firsts at RAMS and for Pacific Islanders in the SF Bay Area. She successfully stewarded a mental health prevention and early intervention demonstration project with the Asian & Pacific Islander Health Parity Coalition and brought it to RAMS. In 2018, RAMS expanded its reach and services for the first time to Alameda County, focusing on Pacific Islanders.

Occupying all of her waking and resting moments is her heart-work as the Co-chair/Co-founder of the Regional Pacific Islander Taskforce in the Bay Area. She holds a Master of Public Health from San Jose State University.

Outside of clock-work and heart-work, she is a nurturing and protective mother and grandmother, charming spouse, caring sister, and cool aunty. She's currently reading *Caste* by Isabel Wilkerson, loves to wander-lust, and dotes over her growing plant collection.