Short Bio

Dr. Sarah Matthews is a research scientist and consultant in public health, healthcare and modeling and simulation. With a B.S. in Chemistry, a Master of Public Health, a Master of Modeling and Simulation, and a PhD in Modeling and Simulation. Sarah's career spans the gamut of research scientist in private industry to public servant as an applied epidemiologist in governmental public health. Among her accolades, Sarah has been published in numerous peer-reviewed journals and has been the recipient of several prestigious awards. Her research is in technology acceptance in AI research and development within the public health domain.

Longer Bio

Sarah Matthews established her consulting business, Health Communications Consultants, Inc. in 2009 in central Florida and has expanded it to serve global clientele with a focus on delivering customer-centered service with brilliant interdisciplinary talent. Sarah is a graduate of the University of South Florida and the University of Central Florida receiving her Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and her Master of Public Health with a focus on Environmental and Occupational Health and an emphasis on Infectious Disease and Tropical Health at the former and a Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in Modeling and Simulation at the latter. Her research is in Technology acceptance in AI research and development within the public health domain.

Sarah began the first four years of her professional career as a Research Scientist working in laboratories in Chapel Hill and High Point, North Carolina before moving back to Florida in 2005 to begin an illustrious 11-year public health career for the Florida Department of Health as an applied epidemiologist in disease control and prevention.

Sarah is published in numerous forums including peer-reviewed journals, books, conferences proceedings, blogs, and social media platforms. She has also been the recipient of several prestigious awards including Excellence in Epidemiology from the State of Florida, Public Health Hero, Prudential Davis Productivity Awards, NACCHO Productivity Award and in 2012 nominated for the Robert Woods Johnson Young Leaders Award.