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Bio

BIO

Sarah R. Williams, MD, MHPE, ACC is a Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine. Her current focus is building a novel coaching program for the Department of Emergency Medicine and exploring ways to scale up coaching at an institutional level as her strategic initiative with the Stanford Medicine Leadership Academy. Sarah represents our department as the Specialty Career Advisor for Emergency Medicine at the Stanford University School of Medicine. Previously, Sarah was the Program Director for our Emergency Medicine Residency Program and oversaw the educational curriculum for the residents. She has been on faculty at Stanford since 2000. Sarah went to Cal as an undergrad (Go Bears!) and then started drinking the Stanford cool-aid, going to medical school here, the EM residency from 1997-2000, and the chief residency in 2000-2001. During 2000-2001 Sarah also developed version 1 of the EM Ultrasound Fellowship and was its inaugural fellow, and then went on to become the founding director of the EM Ultrasound Program at Stanford.

Dr. Williams also has a strong interest in medical education, leadership, and program building. She has worn all of the "hats" of residency leadership: Chief Resident, Assistant Program Director (APD), Associate PD, and finally, Program Director, overseeing the conversion of our program from a 3-year to a 4-year program. Sarah has also been active in helping coordinate and run several CME programs, including our national conference and developing a new series of interdisciplinary ultrasound CME courses. Sarah has both practical real-world experience in education as well as completing the ACEP Teaching Fellowship and the rigorous Masters Degree in Health Professions Education (MHPE) from UIC while continuing to work at Stanford full-time. Sarah leads our multidisciplinary Stanford Clinical Teaching Scholars Program, our medical education certificate program. Dr. Williams is also a certified professional coach.

Sarah's areas of expertise are medical education, professional development, coaching and mentorship, program building, and emergency ultrasound. Sarah also understands the challenges of combining an active academic career with family; she is a wife and mom of three boys. She was also the first member of her family to go to college and gets how hard the system can be... Sarah is happy to collaborate with colleagues with anything related to any of the above interests.

CLINICAL FOCUS

- Emergency Medicine
- Medical Education
- Coaching in Medical Education

• Emergency Ultrasound

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

· Clinical Professor, Emergency Medicine

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Faculty, SOMGEN 219 (Introduction to Medical Education), Stanford School of Medicine, (2019- present)
- SHC-Valley Care Strategic Plan: Research and Education Workgroup, In coordination with Office of the Dean, (2019- present)
- Program Director, Stanford Emergency Medicine Residency, (2015-2019)
- Co-Founder and Steering Committee, Clinical Teaching Scholars Program, (2014- present)
- Founder and Director Emeritus, Stanford Emergency Ultrasound Program, (2013- present)
- Course Director "21st Century Medicine: Utilizing Point-of-Care Ultrasound", Stanford School of Medicine, (2012-2013)
- Associate Residency Director, Stanford/Kaiser Emergency Medicine Residency, (2011-2015)
- National Board Examiner, American Board of Emergency Medicine, (2010-2017)
- Assistant Residency Director, Stanford/Kaiser Emergency Medicine Residency, (2007-2011)
- Course Director, "Xtreme Emergency Medicine" National CME Course, Stanford Division of Emergency Medicine, (2006-2008)
- Representative, Stanford/Kaiser Emergency Medicine Residency Program, Council of Residency Directors (National), (2005-2019)
- Fellowship Director, Emergency Medicine Ultrasound, Stanford Division of Emergency Medicine, (2004-2013)
- Director, Emergency Medicine Ultrasound Program, Stanford Division of Emergency Medicine, (2002-2013)
- Faculty, Emergency Medicine, Stanford Division of Emergency Medicine, (2000- present)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Educator of the Year Award, American College of Emergency Physicians, California Chapter (2014)
- Bedside Teacher of the Quarter Award, Stanford Division of Emergency Medicine (2008, 2004)
- Elected, Board of Directors, California Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians (2006)
- Bedside Teacher of the Year Award, Stanford Division of Emergency Medicine (2005)
- Chief Resident Appreciation Award, Stanford/Kaiser Emergency Medicine Residency Program (2001)
- Award for Outstanding Commitment to Academic Endeavors and Research, 1997-2000, Stanford/Kaiser Emergency Medicine Residency Program (2000)
- Elected, President, California Emergency Medicine Residents Association (1999-2000)
- 1st place, "Most Outstanding Senior Officer" in State of California, California Cadet Corps, California National Guard (1986)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Medical Education: Stanford University School of Medicine (1997) CA
- MHPE, University of Illinois at Chicago , Masters in Health Professions Education (2020)
- Residency: Stanford University Emergency Medicine Residency (2000) CA
- Fellowship, Stanford Emergency Medicine , Emergency Medicine Ultrasound (2001)
- Board Certification: Emergency Medicine, American Board of Emergency Medicine (2003)
- Fellowship, Stanford/Kaiser, Emergency Medicine Ultrasound (2001)
- Chief Resident, Stanford/Kaiser, Emergency Medicine (2001)
- MD, Stanford School of Medicine , Medicine (1997)
- BA, U.C. Berkeley, Biology and Psychology double major (1991)

LINKS

• Emergency Medicine at Stanford: http://emed.stanford.edu/

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

Exploring ways to incorporate coaching into medical education.

Investigating ways to innovate medical education training across specialties.

Investigating applications of clinician-performed point-of-care ultrasound for emergency and critical care patients.

Improving safety of transitions of care between providers during sign-out.

Teaching

COURSES

2022-23

• Introduction to Medical Education: SOMGEN 219A (Win)

2021-22

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2020-21

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Publications

PUBLICATIONS

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Pokrajac, N., Schertzer, K., Rosczcnyialski, K. N., Rider, A., Williams, S. R., Poffenberger, C. M., Gisondi, M. A. 2021

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of emergency medicine

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1992