

Rachelle Ciulla - Senior Associate

Rachelle Ciulla is a Senior Associate with Pyxis Partners, with a current focus in engagement for the *All of Us* Research Program with the National Institutes of Health. As an experienced community outreach leader and program manager, Rachelle is skilled in her ability to build rapport. Rachelle brings her passion to Pyxis Partners; she aims to couple her experience in communication and collaboration with her core belief in active listening, celebrating diversity, and enrolling communities in public health work each day.

Rachelle worked in research related to food security in Baltimore City adolescents during the COVID-19 pandemic, where information was gathered and analyzed through successful relationship building in order to inform nutritional policy. During her time as Community Outreach Leader for the Birth Companions community doula organization, she forged new relationship with the Maryland State Department of Education, as well as the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program. While serving on a protein and micronutrient supplementation study in pregnant and breastfeeding women in Nepal, Rachelle gathered information on birthing persons' daily lives, and married this with best practices from the WHO to develop counseling materials and staff training materials and initiatives. As a program manager in corporate wellness, Rachelle honed skills in population engagement, creativity in communications, and stakeholder relations.

Rachelle holds a BS in Public Health from the University of South Carolina, where she served as Public Relations Chair for her co-ed a capella group, and as a member of the Delta Delta Delta sorority. Rachelle holds a MSPH in Population, Family and Reproductive Health from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. While completing her degree at Johns Hopkins, she obtained certificates in Public Health Advocacy, Health Communication, Health Disparities and Health Inequality, Maternal and Child Health, and Global Health.

Rachelle lives in Baltimore City, and loves spending time with family and friends, exploring new restaurants, and days spent at the beach. She is a passionate advocate for maternal and child health, and is a certified doula; providing client-centered care to birthing persons in the community.