



Laura L. Morgan, Consultant, brings superior research and project management skills to *OPEN MINDS* clients. Ms. Morgan started her career as a civilian research intelligence analyst for the Air Force with responsibility for tracking developments in the Soviet economy and their impact on Soviet defense spending. She worked with the Defense Department for over seven years in a variety of research capacities. Her research skills were further honed as a librarian in an education institution responsible for guiding student research efforts. In that position, she served as the project manager of the

school's reaccreditation process and was responsible for establishing and managing the related accreditation committees. The work of these committees, facilitated by Ms. Morgan, defined the future objectives for the institution and developed the action plans and timetables to achieve these objectives.

Ms. Morgan also held a previous position, in which she was responsible for grant management activities, including application preparation and documentation of outcomes.

Professional Highlights

- Project manager and analyst for health and human service funding research initiative
- Managed the reaccreditation process for an educational institution
- Served as the Air Force representative to the intelligence community workgroup preparing analysis of economic topics
- Spearheaded interview project on Soviet technology transfer initiative

Since joining *OPEN MINDS* in 2006, Ms. Morgan headed an initiative to identify and report on sources of federal, state, and local government funding for health and human services. In addition to the research on funding sources, Ms. Morgan developed new operating procedures for tracking public funding and enhanced the research database for this project. In her work with *OPEN MINDS*, Ms. Morgan has also conducted analysis of industry statistics reports and is coordinated advisory board meetings for *OPEN MINDS* customers.

Areas of Expertise

- U.S. public funding of health and human services
- Research and statistical analysis
- Proposal and grant writing analysis
- Project and program management

Ms. Morgan received her Masters degree in Economics from Indiana University, and her Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Ohio State University. She served on the Board of Education for the Fairfield (Pennsylvania) Area School Board.