

## The Philip M. Farrell Population Health Distinguished Alumni Lecture

### *Laws, Sausages, and the Autism Diagnosis: Measuring Disability for Public Health Surveillance*



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