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Robin VanEerden acquired a Bachelor Degree in Human Resources from Geneva College. She earned her Master of Science Degree from Shippensburg University in Community Counseling. She is acquired her License in Professional Counseling (LPC). She has also served adults with Dual Diagnosis for over 40 years. She has acquired the first ever Dual Diagnosis Certified Clinician credential awarded by the National Association for Dual Diagnosis.

Robin is an EMDR Therapist (Eye Movement Desensitization Reprocessing) and has received a certificate in Trauma through Drexel University. Robin is a member of the National Association for Dual Diagnosis and worked to assist in creating a Dual Diagnosis certification for Bachelor level clinicians and managers. In addition, she sat on a similar committee that has formulated a certification in Dual Diagnosis for licensed clinicians (NADD-CC).

Robin has served as the Clinical Director for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Human Services, Office of Developmental Disabilities, Central Region. She is the former Vice President of Integrative Counseling Services in Harrisburg, PA. During her career, she has worked in both administrative and clinical capacities. Robin's clinical experience, with both children and adults, spans a wide variety of settings. In 2019 Robin won the Earl L. Loschen Award. This national award for Clinical Practice is given annually to a person whose contribution in the area of clinical practice has resulted in significant improvement in the quality of life for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities as well as mental health needs.

She is a National Presenter and has developed the Risk Screening for Best Practices in Dual Diagnosis. She is a subject matter expert on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder "The Invisible Disability" and has articles published on the topic. She is currently the Clinical Director for Merakey in the Central and Northeast Regions of Pennsylvania and assists with consultation services for Merakey in New Jersey, Delaware, New York, and California.

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