

Robin L. Rothermel

Robin L. Rothermel serves as the Director for the Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Programs, Pennsylvania Department of Health, as well as the Acting Director for the Division of Treatment within the Bureau. In this position, Ms. Rothermel is responsible for the management of the Bureau, and develops, directs and coordinates all activities of the bureau, through subordinate division directors and managers in the Divisions of Prevention, Treatment and Program Monitoring. In addition, she develops, directs and coordinates a program to provide public education and awareness on gambling; training for clinical staff about compulsive and problem gambling, treatment options, prevention programs and a hotline for public information, referral services and crisis services. In her role as Acting Division Director, she is responsible for program planning and development of standards, guidelines, service descriptions, and outcome data for the clinical functions of the substance abuse and compulsive and problem gambling case and care management and treatment systems, and for providing training resources to treatment professionals in Pennsylvania. This is accomplished through the facilitation of program development, based on state and federal research data, which targets the need for programming and instrumentation to maximize the accessibility and effectiveness of treatment services; the evaluation of data and research, as it relates to the development, promotion, and implementation of treatment services; the assessment of training needs within the counties and the state for treatment professionals, and responding with targeted, technical assistance and regional training initiatives to meet those needs; and collaboration with state and local agencies to develop programming and coordinate systems which serve the multiple needs of substance abusers and compulsive and problem gamblers throughout the Commonwealth of PA.

Ms. Rothermel is a graduate of Shippensburg University and has worked in the substance abuse field for 19 years. She has worked at the substance abuse treatment provider level as well as the state and local level. She has held direct service, case management, supervision, and management positions. Prior to her current position, Ms. Rothermel served as the Deputy Administrator for the Dauphin County Single County Authority.