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Richard Casteels is currently the Director of Adult Behavioral Health Services at The Guidance Center. He earned undergraduate and graduate degrees at the University of Michigan (1982 to 1986) and the University of Michigan, School of Social Work (1987 to 1989), respectively. His social work major was interpersonal practice and his minor was in research. He is a Licensed Masters-trained Social Worker with 34 years of post-graduate experience working in a wide variety of community mental health programs with adults, children and families in various clinical settings. Much of his clinical practice has focused on the delivery of home and community-based outreach. He has also worked in private practice as an individual and family therapist. For the past twenty-five years Richard has worked at The Guidance Center, a large private, non-profit human service agency that serves residents of Wayne County, Michigan. During twenty of those years he has worked in a supervisory capacity, managing a number of behavioral health programs, including adult outpatient therapy, case management, peer support and recovery coaching services, Assertive Community Treatment, day treatment, children’s home-based, Wraparound, and infant mental health. Richard has also been actively involved in program development, strategic planning, quality improvement, community education and committee work at local, county and state levels.