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Erin Welken is currently the Manager, Business Process Improvement for the global Ag & Turf supply management organization at John Deere. She has held leadership roles in environment, health, and safety (EHS), labor relations, operations, supply management, and supplier quality. Erin has been recognized within John Deere as a Presidential Award winner for developing the first mobile operations app for supervisors as well as the Vice President's award for breakthroughs in data analytics.

Erin thrives on challenging herself both personally and professionally. She is the Chair of the global Women In Operations employee resource group at John Deere, supports Women in Supply Management initiatives, is active in the Women in Manufacturing trade organization, received the National Safety Council (NSC) "Top 40 Under 40" Global Rising Stars award as well as the NSC CEO's Award for leadership. Erin also founded, and is the president of, a non-profit to help widows and children with their educational needs called the Young Widow Living Foundation.

Erin's favorite job title is "Mom" to her three daughters. As a family they enjoy the outdoors, horses, golf, being physically active, traveling, exploring new cultures, and being foodies.