Laurie Manderbach VP Strategic Sourcing

Laurie graduated from Kent State University with a Bachelors of Business Administration degree with a major in Accounting. She worked for several large Public Accounting firms in Cleveland, Ohio during the mid 1980s. She spent three years working as an Internal Auditor for McDermott International. She obtained both her Certified Public Accountant and Certified Internal Auditor licenses.

In the late 1980s Laurie went to work for Progressive Insurance in Cleveland. She progressed through various roles at Progressive. Her last role at Progressive was as the Director of Strategic Sourcing. In this role, she was responsible for the management of the entire Procure to Pay cycle including Sourcing, Procurement Operations and Accounts Payable. She orchestrated the transformation of the procurement function from a tactical buying to strategic sourcing organization. She obtained her MBA from Cleveland State in 2005.

In 2006, Laurie and her family relocated to Charlotte, NC when she joined Wachovia Corporation as a Senior Vice President of Global Supply Chain. In late 2008, she joined TIAA-CREF as Vice President of Strategic Sourcing. She is currently responsible for all sourcing and supplier management activities for this Fortune 80 Corporation.