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Currently, Cheryl M. Jekiel is the founder of the Lean Leadership Resource Center (LLRC), which sponsors a range of workshops, learning communities, publications and speaking engagements. The mission of LLRC is to promote the advancement of inspirational leadership, the implementation of Lean cultures, and the development of Human Resources Leaders.

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