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Rabbi Jill Hackell is the rabbi of West Clarkstown Jewish Center, in New City, NY. She received her ordination from The Academy for Jewish Religion (AJR), along with an MA in Judaic Studies from Gratz College in 2013.

Previously, she received a Bachelor of Science degree from Tufts University and a Medical degree from Johns Hopkins, where she also did her pediatric residency training. She practiced general pediatrics before going on to a more than 20-year career in the pharmaceutical industry, directing clinical research on new vaccines.

She has combined these two paths through an interest in bioethics, teaching this subject on the graduate level at both AJR and at Dominican University; and she also teaches subjects of general Jewish interest at the Jewish Federation of Rockland County. She was awarded the P'nei Torah Faculty Award from AJR, for excellence in teaching in religion and science. She also serves on the AJR Board of Trustees.