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Dr. Paula Termuhlen is a graduate of St. Louis University School of Medicine and completed her general surgery training at the University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston. Dr. Termuhlen subsequently completed the Surgical Oncology fellowship at MD Anderson Cancer Center. After three years on the faculty at the University of Nebraska, she was recruited to Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio in 2001, where she remained until 2011 when she joined the faculty in the Department of Surgery at the Medical College of Wisconsin. She served as a General Surgery Residency Program Director (2002-2014) at both Wright State University and the Medical College of Wisconsin. While at the Medical College of Wisconsin, she led the development team for the creation of two new regional campuses in Green Bay and Central Wisconsin. In April 2015, she assumed the role of Regional Campus Dean for the University of Minnesota Medical School Duluth Campus, serving over 130 students and 49 faculty members in the mission of training physicians for rural and Native American communities.

Dr. Termuhlen is a Past President of the Association of Program Directors in Surgery. She served on the ACGME Residency Review Committee for Surgery and was Vice Chair 2016-2018. She has been a member of two Milestones Workgroups-General Surgery and Complex General Surgical Oncology. She was elected to the American College of Surgeons Academy of Master Surgeon Educators as an Associate Member in the inaugural 2018 class. She is widely published in surgical oncology and surgical education.