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Dr. Sharona B. Ross, MD, FACS, is a nationally and internationally renowned HPB (Pancreas/Biliary System) and Complex Foregut surgeon with almost 20 years of experience. Embodying a harmonious blend of clinical mastery and innovative leadership, she emerges as a pivotal figure in elevating Minimally Invasive and Robotic Surgery on a global scale. Dr. Ross is a Professor of Surgery at the University of Central Florida, College of Medicine. Her strategic and innovative guidance is manifested in her roles as the Director of Minimally Invasive Surgery, Surgical Endoscopy, GERD, and The Mickle Center for Reflux and Esophageal Disorders, and The Pancreatic Cancer Center at AdventHealth Tampa. Dr. Ross is also the Director of the Advanced GI, Foregut, and HPB Fellowship Program, where she has been pivotal in driving mentorship, surgical advancements, and fostering an environment of learning and development. Her journey of leadership is illuminated by significant positions, including the forthcoming Presidency of the Society of Robotic Surgery (SRS) 2024 and the President for the Society of Laparoscopic and Robotic Surgeons (SLS) 2025. She also holds the position of Honorary Vice-President of the Southeastern Surgical Congress (SESC) among many other national and international leadership positions. A strong advocate for gender equality in the field of Surgery, Dr. Ross founded and directed the International Women in Surgery Career Symposium since 2009, creating a supportive platform that encourages the new generation of women to pursue a career in Surgery by fostering mentorship and support. Her research focus is on robotic, minimally invasive surgeries for disorders and malignancies of the esophagus, stomach, pancreas, small bowel, gallbladder, and biliary system. Her insights and experience are reflected in her extensive research and an impressive portfolio of over 200 peer-reviewed publications, 20 book chapters, over 200 invited oral presentations, over 170 operative video presentations, and almost 80 TV interviews and news articles.