

Paula Brown Stafford
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With more than 35 years of experience in biopharmaceutical services and consulting, Paula Brown Stafford helped build the contract research organization (CRO) industry and the preeminent CRO in the industry, Quintiles. Her career at Quintiles culminated in serving for five years as president of clinical development, Quintiles largest business segment. She is currently managing director of Habergeon and chief executive officer and chairman of Novan, a North Carolina-based pharmaceutical company. Paula co-authored *Remember Who YOU Are: Achieve Success. Create Balance. Experience Fulfillment.* with Lisa T. Grimes.

While at Quintiles, Paula was a member of the Executive Committee, the Technology Investment Committee, and a Board observer in addition to founding Quintiles Enterprise Data Council in 2007 and Quintiles Women Inspired Network in 2010. After retiring from Quintiles in 2015, Paula has focused on Board work and leadership development and was appointed to Adjunct Professor in the Public Health Leadership Program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Gillings School of Global Public Health.

Paula is currently a Board member of Novan, Inc. (Nasdaq: NOVN), Alliance for Multispecialty Research, and the General Alumni Association at UNC-Chapel Hill. She served as a member of the UNC-CH Gillings Public Health Foundation Board, the Health Decisions Board of Directors, CDISC (Clinical Data Interchange Standards Consortium) Board of Directors and was previously an Independent Director for Bio-Imaging Technologies, Inc. (Nasdaq: BITI and later BIOC).

In 2022, Paula was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Triangle Business Journal. For her outstanding contributions to healthcare and pharmaceutical development, Paula was honored with a Distinguished Alumna Award from her alma mater, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, in 2016. Paula was invited in July 2014 to provide expert testimony in the U.S. Congressional hearing on the topic of modernizing clinical trials: "21st Century Cures," a bill later approved by the House of Representatives in 2015. She was named in 2012 as one of the 10 top women in biotech by FierceBiotech.

Paula holds a bachelor of science and a Master of Public Health, both from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, with a specialization in Biostatistics. She and her husband have two adult children.