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Dr. Giulia Brisighelli is a **Specialist in Pediatric Surgery** with extensive experience in pediatric colorectal surgery. She was born in Udine and graduated with honors in Medicine from the University of Milan. She later specialized in Pediatric Surgery at the University of Padua. During her specialization, she also completed a research fellowship at the Colorectal Center of Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. She subsequently pursued further specialization in Pediatric Surgery in South Africa and completed a clinical fellowship in Pediatric Colorectal Surgery.

Dr. Brisighelli currently serves as the **Director** of the Johannesburg Paediatric Colorectal Clinic (JPCC) at Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic Hospital in Johannesburg.

INNOVATION: Dr. Brisighelli has played a pivotal role in advancing pediatric colorectal care in resource-limited settings. At JPCC, she has contributed to the establishment of a multidisciplinary approach to complex colorectal cases, enhancing patient outcomes and accessibility to specialized care. She has been instrumental in **developing training programs and workshops for healthcare professionals across Africa**, fostering knowledge transfer and capacity building in pediatric colorectal surgery.

Her research has focused on **improving surgical techniques and postoperative management for children with congenital colorectal anomalies**. She has authored more than 45 research articles published in high-impact international journals. Additionally, she collaborates with global institutions to promote equitable access to high-quality surgical care for children worldwide.