

Surgical Weight Loss Program Information Seminar



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METABOLIC AND BARIATRIC SURGERY
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Objectives

- Review of how obesity is defined and its impact on your health.
- Review of the pre-operative physician-supervised weight management program.
- Review of the bariatric surgery options:
 - Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass
 - Vertical Sleeve Gastrectomy
 - Adjustable Gastric Band
- Questions with the surgeon
- Schedule initial surgical consult

Body Mass Index

We use a simple calculation called Body Mass Index (BMI) to determine who is normal weight, overweight, or obese.

BMI is a measure of an adult's weight in relation to his or her height.

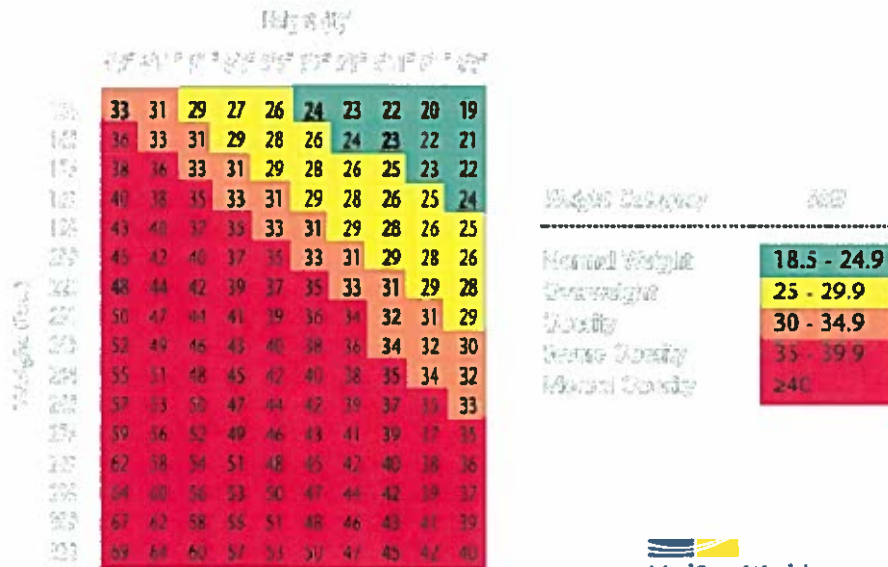
Six BMI classes:

- Underweight: 15-18.5
- Normal Weight: 18.5-24.9
- Overweight: 25-29.9
- Obese: ≥ 30
 - Obesity Class I: BMI = 30-34.9
 - Obesity Class II: BMI = 35-39.9
- Clinically Severe (Morbid) Obesity: ≥ 40

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What is My Body Mass Index (BMI)?

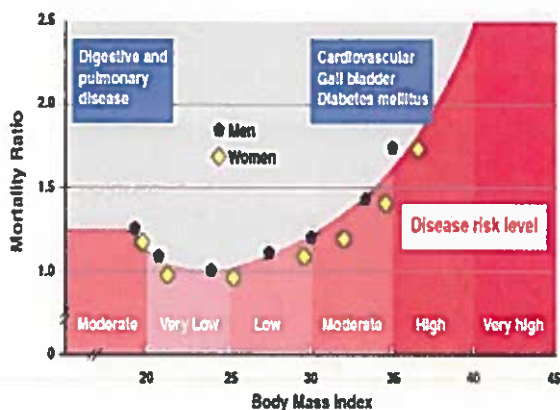


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Risk of Disease in Relation to BMI

- As BMI increases so does your risk for developing the following:
 - Diabetes Mellitus
 - High Blood Pressure
 - High cholesterol
 - Arthritis
 - Obstructive Sleep Apnea
 - Gallstones
 - Stroke or heart attack
 - Cancer



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Treatment of Obesity

- There are currently two treatments for obesity:
 - Medical/Non-surgical
 - Diet- low calories, fat, carbohydrates
 - Exercise- at least 30 minutes most days of the week
 - Behavior Modification- self-monitoring, goal-setting, eat 3 meals daily, avoid snacking
 - Drugs/prescription medications
 - Surgical
 - Adjustable Gastric band, Vertical Sleeve Gastrectomy, Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass

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Treatment of obesity

- Disadvantages of medical treatment:
 - Most (>95%) patients regain most or all of the weight within 2-5 years.
 - Average weight loss is small (10-40 pounds).
 - Drug therapy may be associated with health complications (Phen-fen and heart disease).
 - Most insurance companies do not cover the costs associated with medical treatment.
 - Difficult to maintain in the long-term
 - “Yo-yo effect” of many programs leads to large weight fluctuations.

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Are you a surgical weight loss candidate?

- NIH Consensus Development Conference (1991)
 - Weight
 - Patients with BMI 35-39.9 with other health problems
 - Diabetes Mellitus
 - Obstructive Sleep Apnea
 - Hypertension
 - High cholesterol
 - Coronary artery disease
 - Osteoarthritis
 - Psuedotumor Cerebri
 - BMI \geq 40
 - Failure of non-surgical weight loss attempts
 - Well-informed, motivated
 - Understanding of how surgery will change your life
 - No untreated medical problems that could be causing the obesity
 - No uncontrolled psychological conditions
 - Willing to follow up regularly
 - Absence of drug and alcohol problems
 - Non smoker or able to quit smoking for life

Source: consensus.nih.gov/1991/1991GISurgeryObesity084html.htmKnowledge and Compassion **Focused on You**MedStar Washington
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Surgical Weight Loss May Not be an Option for you if...

- The operation poses unnecessary hazards (Risk >Benefit)
- Are not willing to make lifelong eating and behavior changes
- Are not willing to follow the program guidelines
- Are not able to Follow up regularly
- Plan to get pregnant within the first 12-18 months after surgery
- Have any psychiatric contraindications
- Do not meet criteria

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Surgical Weight Loss Process

- Is a process, not just an operation
- WILL take several months until surgery
- WILL continue after the date of surgery

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MWHC Bariatric Surgery Process

1. Information Seminar

- Required- Please make sure you have signed in today!
- Contact your insurance provider to obtain coverage information for bariatric surgery:
 - CPT code for gastric bypass: 43644
 - CPT code for Vertical Sleeve Gastrectomy: 43775
 - CPT code for Adjustable Gastric Band: 43770

2. Preparation Phase

- Initial Consultation with the surgeon
 - Can be scheduled before you leave today
- Medical evaluation by your primary care physician
 - 3-5 year weight history
 - Medical clearance to participate in our exercise program

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Preparation Phase: Medically Supervised Weight Management Program

- Complete a 3-7 consecutive month physician-supervised weight management program
 - Insurances that allow 3-4 months (call and check your plan)
 - » BCBS FEP- 90 days
 - » Some Aetna and Cigna plans- 90 Day program
 - » Mailhandlers
 - » Medicare (if you have a secondary insurance that requires 6-7 months, you will have to complete 6-7 months).
 - All others not listed generally require 6-7 months
 - MWHC and MSMH programs
 - Other options
- Rescheduling: we will make every effort to accommodate you if you need to reschedule. We may not be able to accommodate you if you reschedule more than once in one month.

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Preparation Phase Continued

- MWHC additional requirements to complete during the preparation phase include (but may not be limited to):
 - GI consult with Dr. Koch
 - EGD
 - Evaluation by an exercise physiologist- \$60 out of pocket fee
 - Evaluation by a mental health professional
 - Support Group
 - EMMI online educational program

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Next Steps

- Precertification Process
 - May take up to 6 weeks
- Two-week Pre-op diet
 - You will start a low-calorie diet exactly two weeks prior to your surgery date.
 - You will receive the diet education in the pre-op program.
- Final Surgical Consultation
 - Meet with the surgeon 1-2 weeks before surgery.
 - Watch mandatory pre-operative video (30 minutes)
- Pre-surgery lab work
 - Completed in our ATC 1-2 weeks prior to surgery.

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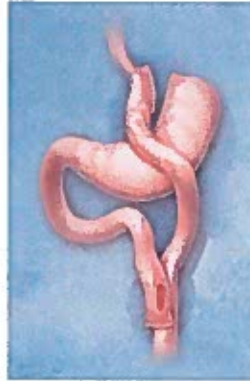
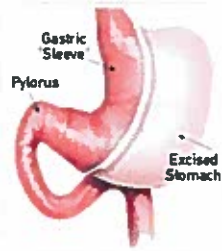
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What Does Surgical Weight Loss Do?

- provides a *tool* to help you gain control of eating behaviors



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What Does Surgical Weight Loss **NOT** Do?

- Guarantee you will lose weight permanently
- Make you change your eating habits and behaviors
- Make all your problems go away

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The Digestive System



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How Does Bariatric Surgery Promote Weight Loss?

- Restrictive- shrink the size of the stomach which reduces the amount of food it can hold.
- Malabsorptive- rearrange and/or remove part your digestive system which then limits the amount of calories and nutrients that your body can absorb.
- Combined Restriction/Malabsorption- combines both restrictive and malabsorptive techniques.

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Surgical Approach

- Open
 - A 10-15 inch midline incision is made so that the surgeon can place his/her hands and instruments inside the abdomen to complete the surgery.
- Laparoscopic
 - Four to six ¼ to ½ inch incisions are made to allow the surgeon to place a camera and instruments into the abdomen to complete the surgery. The benefits include:
 - Less pain
 - Quicker recovery
 - Fewer complications
 - Less noticeable scar
 - Shorter hospital stay

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Length of surgery and hospital stay

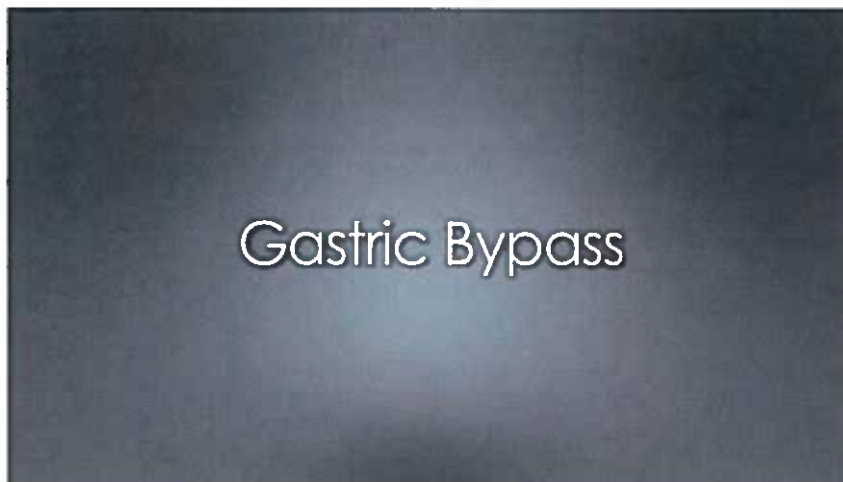
- Adjustable Gastric Band
 - 1.5-2 hours
 - Same day surgery or 1 night stay
- Vertical Sleeve Gastrectomy
 - 1.5-2 hours
 - One to two-night stay
- Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass
 - 2-3 hours
 - Two to three-night stay

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Gastric Bypass

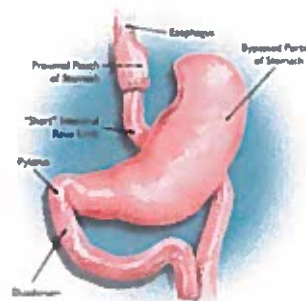


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Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass

- Combination restrictive and malabsorptive procedure:
 - Makes the stomach smaller so you feel full more quickly.
 - Bypasses the stomach and part of the small intestines. This limits the absorption of nutrients in the intestines.
 - Affects gut hormones that play a role in hunger and fullness.



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Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass: Expected Weight Loss

- Percentage of excess weight loss (%EWL) is the preferred method of evaluating and reporting weight loss.
- Someone who is 6'2" and 400 lbs will lose a different amount of weight than someone who is 5'4" and 220 lbs.
- But both of these patients will lose a **similar percent of their excess weight**.
- Average %EWL for gastric bypass patients is about 65-75% in the first 12-18 months after surgery.
 - For someone who is 100 pounds overweight, that translates into a weight loss of about 65-75 pounds after the gastric bypass procedure.

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Benefits of gastric bypass surgery

- Diabetes (79-100% resolved or improved)
- Sleep apnea (92-98% resolved or improved)
- Hypertension (78-98% resolved or improved)
- Hyperlipidemia (94-100% resolved or improved)

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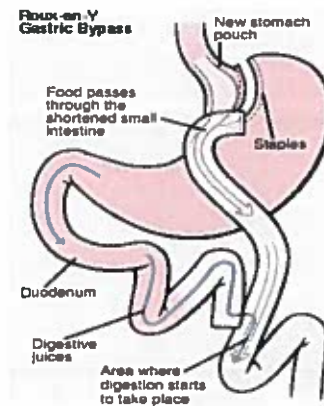
ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS

Advantages

- Rapid initial weight loss
- Longer experience in USA
- Improvement or resolution of diabetes, hyper-tension, hyperlipidemia, & obstructive sleep apnea.

Disadvantages

- Stomach cutting, stapling and intestinal re-routing
- Nutritional deficiencies
- "Dumping syndrome"
- Non-adjustable, difficult to reverse



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Risks of gastric bypass

- Mortality (death) rate: <0.5%
- Major complication
 - Anastomotic leak
 - Bowel obstruction
 - Bleeding, injury to spleen
 - Medical (Heart attack, stroke, blood clots, pulmonary embolism, pneumonia)
- Minor complication
 - Wound (infection, seroma)
 - Nausea, vomiting, dumping
 - Gallstones
 - Nutritional deficiency
 - Stricture (narrowing) that may require endoscopic dilation
 - Marginal Ulcer
 - Urinary tract infection
 - Depression

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Sleeve Gastrectomy

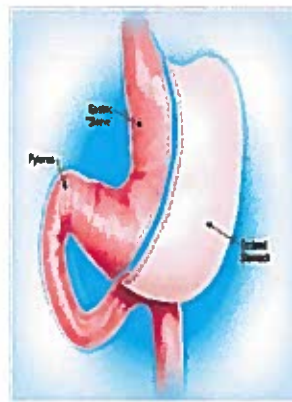
Sleeve Gastrectomy

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Sleeve Gastrectomy

- **Restrictive Surgery**
 - This surgery works by restricting the amount of food you can eat at one time by reducing the size of the stomach.
 - Food follows the same digestion pathway. The intestines are not operated on.
 - May have an affect on gut hormones that play a role in hunger and fullness.



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Sleeve Gastrectomy Outcomes

- Results
 - %EWL and resolution of diabetes **similar** to gastric bypass
 - %EWL and resolution of diabetes **greater** than adjustable gastric band
 - Decreased hunger / increased satiety (Ghrelin)

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Sleeve Gastrectomy: Expected Weight Loss

- %EWL for sleeve gastrectomy patients is about 50-80% in first 12-18 months after surgery.
 - For someone who is 100 pounds overweight, that translates into a weight loss of about 50-80 pounds after the sleeve gastrectomy procedure.

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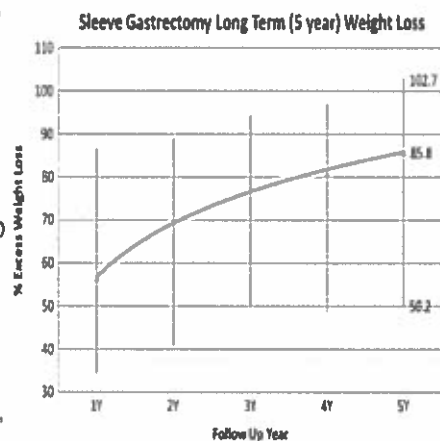

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Sleeve Gastrectomy Outcomes

- 55 patients, 5 year follow-up
- Average starting BMI: 65
- %EWL = 86%
- Resolution of:
 - Hypertension (95%)
 - Diabetes, cholesterol, sleep apnea (100%)
 - GERD: 53% (new onset GERD 11%)
- 1.9% leak
- No mortalities, strictures, or hemorrhage

Rawlins et al., Sleeve Gastrectomy: 5-year Outcomes of a Single Institution. SOARD, Jan 2013.



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Sleeve Gastrectomy

Advantages:

- No intestinal re-routing
- Rapid initial weight loss
- No need for fills or adjustments
- Comparable resolution of medical comorbidities to that of gastric bypass
- Low malnutrition risk

Disadvantages:

- Purely restrictive
- Stomach cutting, stapling
- Non-adjustable
- Not reversible

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Sleeve Gastrectomy: Risks

- Mortality (death) rate: <0.1%
- Major complication
 - Staple line leak
 - Bowel obstruction
 - Bleeding, injury to other organs
 - Medical (Heart attack, stroke, blood clots, pulmonary embolism, pneumonia)
- Minor complication
 - Wound (infection, seroma)
 - Nausea/vomiting
 - Gallstones
 - Nutritional deficiency
 - Stenosis (narrowing) of the sleeve which may require endoscopic dilation
 - Gastritis (inflamed stomach lining), heartburn, or stomach ulcers
 - Urinary tract infection
 - Depression

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Adjustable Gastric Band

The LAP-BAND® System

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Laparoscopic Adjustable Gastric Band

- Restrictive surgery
 - A band is placed around the top portion of the stomach creating a small pouch.
 - The pouch holds less food making you feel full faster.
 - A port is placed under the skin during the operation. Adjustments are made to the band through this port.



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The Adjustable Gastric Band

Advantages:

- No stapling, cutting, or intestinal re-routing
- Adjustable
- Can be removed
- Low malnutrition risk
- Many patients experience improvement or resolution of diabetes, hyper-tension, hyperlipidemia, & obstructive sleep apnea.

Disadvantages

- Slower initial weight loss
- Regular follow-up critical for optimal results
- Requires implanted medical device
- Longer time to meet optimal weight loss goals

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Adjustable Gastric Band: Expected Weight Loss

- %EWL for adjustable gastric band patients is about 50-55% within the first three years after surgery.
 - For someone who is 100 pounds overweight, that translates into a weight loss of about 50-55 pounds after the band placement procedure.

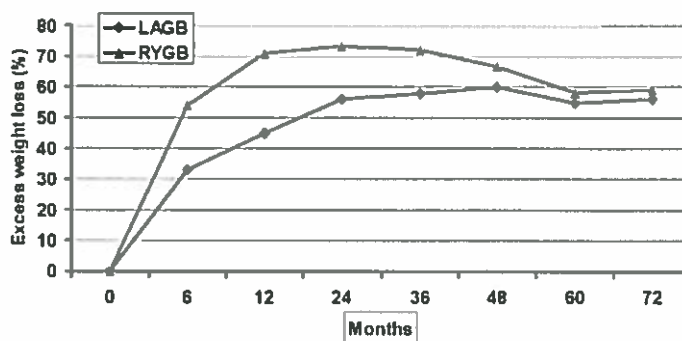
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Comparing Weight Loss Results



O'Brien et al. *Obesity is a Surgical Disease: Overview of Obesity and Bariatric Surgery*, ANZ J Surg, 2004; 74: 200-204.

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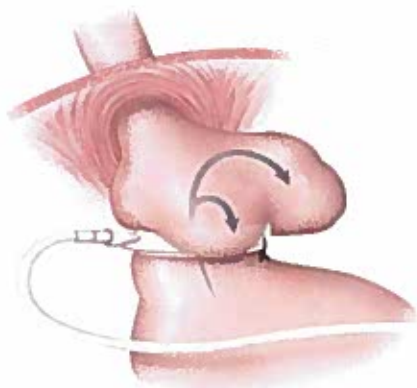
Risks of Adjustable Band

- Mortality = 0.05%
- Risks with any abdominal surgery:
 - Bowel obstruction
 - Bleeding, injury to other organs
 - Medical (Heart attack, stroke, blood clots, pulmonary embolism, pneumonia)
- Risks specific to the band:
 - Band Erosion = <1%
 - Band Slip = 3%
 - Port displacement
 - Port-site infection
 - Tubing complication
 - Esophageal Spasm
 - Gastroesophageal Reflux
 - Inflammation of esophagus or stomach

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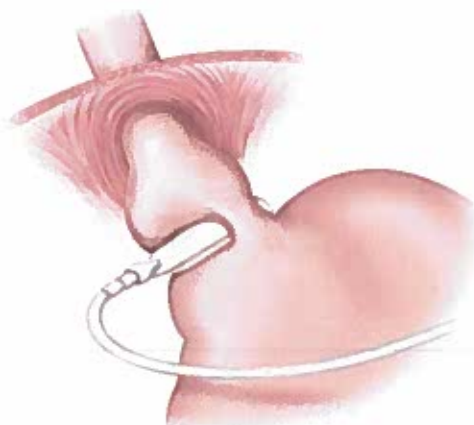
Gastric Band Slippage



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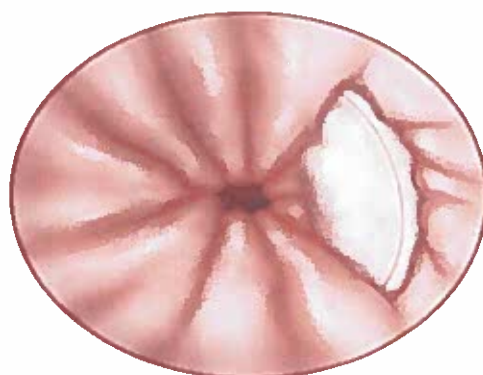
Gastric Band Erosion



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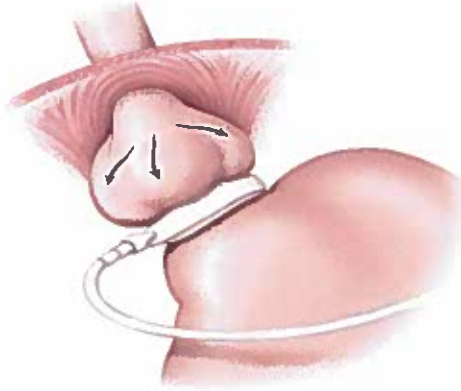
Gastric Band Erosion (view from inside the gastric pouch)



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Esophageal Dilatation



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Bariatric Surgery Revision

- Corrective
 - Re-do of the same surgery
- Conversions
 - Gastric band converted to a Roux-en-Y gastric bypass or sleeve.
- Unless there is a problem with the initial surgery that needs to be addressed emergently, you will be required to complete a pre-op program per your insurance requirements.
- Some insurances do not cover revisions-
PLEASE CHECK YOUR PLAN!

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What do we expect?

- Weight loss (around 5%) during supervised weight management program.
- Quit Smoking
- Increase daily activity
- Healthy Eating habits
- Follow the guidelines set by the team
- Complete your checklist – make sure all results arrive at our office

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Why Chose us?

- We are accredited as a "Comprehensive Center" through the Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery Accreditation and Quality Improvement Program MBSAQIP. 
- We have been doing weight loss surgery at MWHC since 1991
- We have experienced and/or Fellowship trained surgeons.
- We have a multidisciplinary team which includes, nurses, a nurse practitioner, registered dietitians, a psychologist, a psychiatrist, physical therapists, and exercise physiologists.

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Meet the Team – Our Medical Team

Surgeons

- Dr. Shope



- Dr. Brebbia



- Dr. Zubowicz



Gastroenterologist and nursing staff

- Dr. Koch



- Marsha Brown, RN

- Catherine Hite, NP



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Meet the Team- Our Registered Dietitians

- Registered Dietitians who specialize in the care of bariatric patients
- Routine evaluation and education is available by our Registered Dietitians
- Our dietitians:
 - Lauryn Muller, MS, RD, LD
 - Kristen McGill, RD, LD

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Meet the team – Office Staff

- Business Manager
 - Parul Bisla, BDS, MHSA

- Bariatric Surgery Coordinator:
 - Anyea Lovette, MS, RD, LD

- Office Staff
 - Natalie Bryant
 - Catina Wood
 - Lenique Hammond
 - Jaquary Holmes
 - Janice Abrahams

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What should I do now?

- Schedule an appointment with one of our surgeons before you leave today.

- Visit with your PCP for a medical evaluation if you have not done so already → referral (if needed), weight history, exercise clearance

- Call your insurance company and check that your plan covers bariatric surgery.
 - Questions to ask:
 - Is surgical weight loss specifically gastric bypass, sleeve gastrectomy, or the adjustable band a covered benefit in my policy if deemed medically necessary?
 - Do I have any exclusions to surgical weight loss procedures in my policy?

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